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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS
TAMS No. 14

Asked by Alistair Coe MLA on 25 June 2014: Minister for Territory and Municipal Services took on notice the following question:

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In relation to the kangaroo culling program:

Re kangaroo population management: the total cost to the Territory of legal action and associated matters for this year and last year.

SHANE RATTENBURY MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The legal costs for the kangaroo cull legal action which was undertaken over two days was \$21,608.97 in 2013, including \$10,743.00 for the ACT Government Solicitor's costs and \$10,865.97 for disbursements (including counsel's fees and the cost of transcripts).

The legal costs for the kangaroo cull legal action which was undertaken over four days and included expenditure for expert witnesses was \$54,473.83 in 2014, including \$16,440.50 for the ACT Government Solicitor's costs and \$38,033.33 for disbursements (including counsel's fees and the cost of transcripts).

The above costs came from the Territory's legal budget. There were also a number of associated costs in relation to the legal action, including photocopying expenses and staff time within the Environment and Sustainable Development and Territory and Municipal Services Directorates.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2014-2015

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7/7/14

By the Minister for Territory and Municipal Services, Mr Shane Rattenbury MLA