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*Parliamentary  
Counsel*

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## Terms and Definitions Used

PAL	Public Access to Legislation
PCO	Parliamentary Counsel Office

# Parliamentary Counsel

VOTE MINISTER: Attorney-General

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Parliamentary Counsel Office

The Attorney-General is the Responsible Minister for the Parliamentary Counsel Office

## Part B - Statement of Appropriations

### Summary of Appropriations

	Appropriations to be Used				Total Appropriations \$000
	By the Department Administering the Vote		For Non-Departmental Transactions		
Types of Appropriation	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
<b>Operating Flows</b>					
Classes of Outputs to be Supplied	17,145	-	-	-	17,145
Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Capital Flows</b>					
Capital Contributions	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase or Development of Capital Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Repayment of Debt	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Appropriations for 2004/05</b>	<b>17,145</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,145</b>
<b>Total 2004/05 Main Estimates Appropriations</b>	<b>13,399</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,399</b>

## Part B1 - Details of Appropriations

	2004/05						Purpose of and Reasons for Change in 2004/05 Appropriations
	Main Estimates		Supplementary Estimates		Cumulative Vote		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
<b>Appropriations</b>							
<b>Departmental Output Classes (Mode B Gross)</b>							
Law Drafting Services	8,500	-	10	-	8,510	-	Drafting Government Bills (including amendments) and Statutory Regulations, examining and reporting on local Bills and private Bills and drafting amendments to them. The change reflects the increase in the funding for State Sector Retirement Savings Scheme.
Access to Legislation	4,899	-	3,736	-	8,635	-	Supplying printed copies of Bills and Supplementary Order Papers to the House; publishing legislation and distributing it through designated bookshops and by subscription; reprinting legislation with the amendments incorporated; publishing tables of legislation; providing free public access via the Internet to a database of up-to-date legislation. The increase includes funding for the PAL Project and to cover the increased cost of legislative printing.
<b>Total Appropriations for Departmental Output Classes (Mode B Gross)</b>	13,399	-	3,746	-	17,145	-	
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## Part C - Explanation of Appropriations for Output Classes

### Part C1 - Departmental Output Classes

#### *Output Class - Access to Legislation*

Under this output class, the PCO will deliver a service that provides for:

- supplying printed copies of Government Bills and Government Supplementary Order Papers to the House and, on a selective basis, copies of Acts with proposed amendments incorporated
- publishing printed copies of Bills and Supplementary Order Papers, pamphlet copies of Acts and Statutory Regulations, and annual volumes of Acts and Statutory Regulations
- compiling reprints of Acts and Statutory Regulations with their amendments incorporated and publishing them
- providing the above for sale at designated bookshops and by subscription
- publishing the *Tables of New Zealand Acts and Ordinances and Statutory Regulations in Force* in printed form, and in electronic form on the Internet free of charge
- providing free public access via the Internet to an electronic database of Acts (both as enacted and with their amendments incorporated), Statutory Regulations (both as made and with their amendments incorporated), Bills, and Supplementary Order Papers, and maintaining the electronic database of legislation in an up-to-date form.

#### **Outcomes**

Contributing to a parliamentary democracy under the rule of law by supporting Parliament and the executive in their law making role and contributing to the Government's objectives by ensuring that legislation, including Bills and Supplementary Order Papers, is accessible to the public in both printed and electronic form, and by providing printed copies of Government Bills and Government Supplementary Order Papers to the House.

