

# *Information Supporting the Supplementary Estimates*

## *Vote Attorney-General*

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MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Attorney-General (M5)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Crown Law Office

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR CROWN LAW OFFICE: Attorney-General

## Part 1 - Summary of the Vote

### Part 1.3 - Trends in the Vote

#### Summary of Financial Activity

	2009/10				
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates			Total \$000
		Departmental Transactions \$000	Non- Departmental Transactions \$000	Total Transactions \$000	
<b>Appropriations</b>					
Output Expenses	64,749	4,434	150	4,584	69,333
Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses	-	N/A	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Expenditure	943	369	-	369	1,312
Intelligence and Security Department Expenses and Capital Expenditure	-	-	N/A	-	-
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>65,692</b>	<b>4,803</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>4,953</b>	<b>70,645</b>
<b>Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts</b>					
Tax Revenue	-	N/A	-	-	-
Non-Tax Revenue	-	N/A	-	-	-
Capital Receipts	-	N/A	-	-	-
<b>Total Crown Revenue and Capital Receipts</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

## Part 2 - Details and Expected Performance for Output Expenses

### Part 2.1 - Departmental Output Expenses

#### Supervision and Conduct of Crown Prosecutions (M5)

##### *Scope of Appropriation*

The provision of a national Crown prosecution service that undertakes criminal trials on indictment and appeals to the High Court; the supervision of the network of Crown Solicitors who deliver the prosecution service; and the provision of advice on criminal law matters to other government agencies and Crown Solicitors.

##### *Reasons for Change in Appropriation*

This appropriation will increase by \$4 million to \$39.542 million for 2009/10. The increase will be used to fund the immediate cost pressures that have unexpectedly arisen from the introduction of reforms in the criminal justice system (eg, new committal process).

#### The Exercise of Principal Law Officer Functions (M5)

##### *Scope of Appropriation*

Providing legal advice, representation services and administrative services to the Attorney-General and Solicitor-General to assist them in the exercise of their Principal Law Officer functions; and the provision of legal and constitutional advice to the Government, Ministers, and the judiciary.

##### *Reasons for Change in Appropriation*

This appropriation will increase by \$434,000 to \$3.412 million for 2009/10. The increase relates to:

- the immediate cost pressures that have unexpectedly arisen from the introduction of reforms in the criminal justice system (\$300,000)
- the Government Legal Services (GLS) Project - Contribution from other government departments (\$169,000)
- the suspended Senior Counsel application process (-\$50,000).

*Memorandum Account*

	2009/10		
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000
<b>Senior Counsel Applications</b>			
Opening Balance at 1 July	-	17	17
Revenue	50	(50)	-
Expenses	50	(50)	-
Transfers and Adjustments	-	(17)	(17)
Closing Balance at 30 June	-	-	-

Note the Senior Counsel application process has been suspended, pending legislative changes.

**Part 2.2 - Non-Departmental Output Expenses****Ex Gratia Payment to Berrymans (M5)***Scope of Appropriation*

This appropriation is limited to an ex gratia payment to Mr and Mrs Berryman.

*Expenses*

	2009/10		
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000
Total Appropriation	-	150	150

*Reasons for Change in Appropriation*

This is a one-off *ex gratia* payment made to Mr and Mrs Berryman.

## Part 6 - Details and Expected Results for Capital Expenditure

### Part 6.1 - Departmental Capital Expenditure

#### Crown Law Office - Capital Expenditure PLA (M5)

##### *Scope of Appropriation*

This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Crown Law Office, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

##### *Capital Expenditure*

	2009/10		
	Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total \$000
Forests/Agricultural	-	-	-
Land	-	-	-
Property, Plant and Equipment	429	43	472
Intangibles	514	326	840
Other	-	-	-
<b>Total Appropriation</b>	<b>943</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>1,312</b>

##### *Reasons for Change in Appropriation*

The higher intangible expenditure in 2009/10 is due to the rescheduling of the electronic records and email management systems project (Project Puutake).