Vote Parliamentary Counsel

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

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Parliamentary Counsel Office

MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR PARLIAMENTARY COUNSEL OFFICE: Attorney-General

Overview of the Vote

The Attorney-General is responsible for appropriations in Vote Parliamentary Counsel for the 2012/13 financial year covering the following:

- a total of just over \$9 million for drafting Government Bills (including amendments) and statutory regulations, and examining and reporting on local Bills and private Bills, and drafting amendments to them
- a total of just over \$11.600 million for supplying printed copies of Government Bills and Government Supplementary Order Papers (SOPs), 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, publishing the Tables of New Zealand Acts and Ordinances and Statutory Regulations in Force in printed form, and providing them for sale at designated bookshops and by subscription, providing free public access via the Internet to an electronic database of legislation, including Bills and SOPs, and maintaining the electronic database of legislation in an up-to-date form
- a total of just over \$2.300 million on the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Parliamentary Counsel Office, as authorised by section 24 (1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.

Details of these appropriations are set out in Parts 2-6 for Vote Parliamentary Counsel in the Information Supporting the Estimates of Appropriations.

Details of Appropriations

Details of Annual and Permanent Appropriations

	2011/12		2012/13
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Access to Legislation (M5)	11,646	11,646	11,625
This appropriation is limited to supplying printed copies of Government 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.			
Law Drafting Services (M5)	9,215	9,215	9,051
This appropriation is limited to drafting Government Bills (including amendments) and Statutory Regulations, examining and reporting on local Bills and private Bills and drafting amendments to them.			
Total Departmental Output Expenses	20,861	20,861	20,676
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Parliamentary Counsel Office - Capital Expenditure PLA (M5)	3,585	3,585	2,350
This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Parliamentary Counsel Office, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989.			
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	3,585	3,585	2,350
Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations	24,446	24,446	23,026

Details of Projected Movements in Departmental Net Assets

Parliamentary Counsel Office

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2011/12 Estimated Actual \$000	2012/13 Projected \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2012/13
Opening Balance	15,091	15,091	Estimates opening balance reflects the audited results as at 30 June 2011.
Capital Injections	-	-	
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	-	-	
Closing Balance	15,091	15,091	