

# *Vote Parliamentary Counsel*

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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 2013/14 financial year covering the following:

- a total of \$9.474 million for the provision of law drafting services. This includes legislative drafting assistance to Pacific Island nations, undertaking 3-yearly programmes of statute law revision, and administering legislation that the PCO is responsible for
- a total of \$11.202 million for the provision of access to legislation in both paper and electronic form, and
- a total of \$2.830 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

	2012/13		2013/14
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
<b>Departmental Output Expenses</b>			
<i>Drafting and Access to Legislation MCOA (M5)</i>	-	-	<b>20,676</b>
<i>Access to Legislation</i> This output class is limited to supplying Government Bills and Supplementary Order Papers; publishing and distributing legislation; reprinting legislation with the amendments incorporated; publishing tables of legislation; providing free public access to legislation via the internet.	-	-	11,202
<i>Law Drafting Services</i> This output class is limited to drafting legislation, examining and reporting on local Bills and private Bills and drafting amendments to them, providing advice on the drafting of disallowable instruments that are not drafted by the PCO, providing legislative drafting assistance to Pacific Island nations, undertaking a 3-yearly programmes of statute law revision, and administering the Legislation Act 2012 and any other legislation PCO is responsible for.	-	-	9,474
<i>Access to Legislation (M5)</i> 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.	11,625	11,625	-
<i>Law Drafting Services (M5)</i> 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.	9,051	9,051	-
<b>Total Departmental Output Expenses</b>	<b>20,676</b>	<b>20,676</b>	<b>20,676</b>
<b>Departmental Capital Expenditure</b>			
<i>Parliamentary Counsel Office - Capital Expenditure PLA (M5)</i> 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.	2,350	2,350	2,830
<b>Total Departmental Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>2,350</b>	<b>2,350</b>	<b>2,830</b>
<b>Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations</b>	<b>23,026</b>	<b>23,026</b>	<b>23,506</b>

# Details of Projected Movements in Departmental Net Assets

## Parliamentary Counsel Office

Details of Net Asset Schedule	2012/13 Estimated Actual \$000	2013/14 Projected \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2013/14
Opening Balance	15,091	15,091	Estimates opening balance reflects the audited results as at 30 June 2012
Capital Injections	-	-	
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	-	-	
Other Movements	-	-	
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>15,091</b>	<b>15,091</b>	