

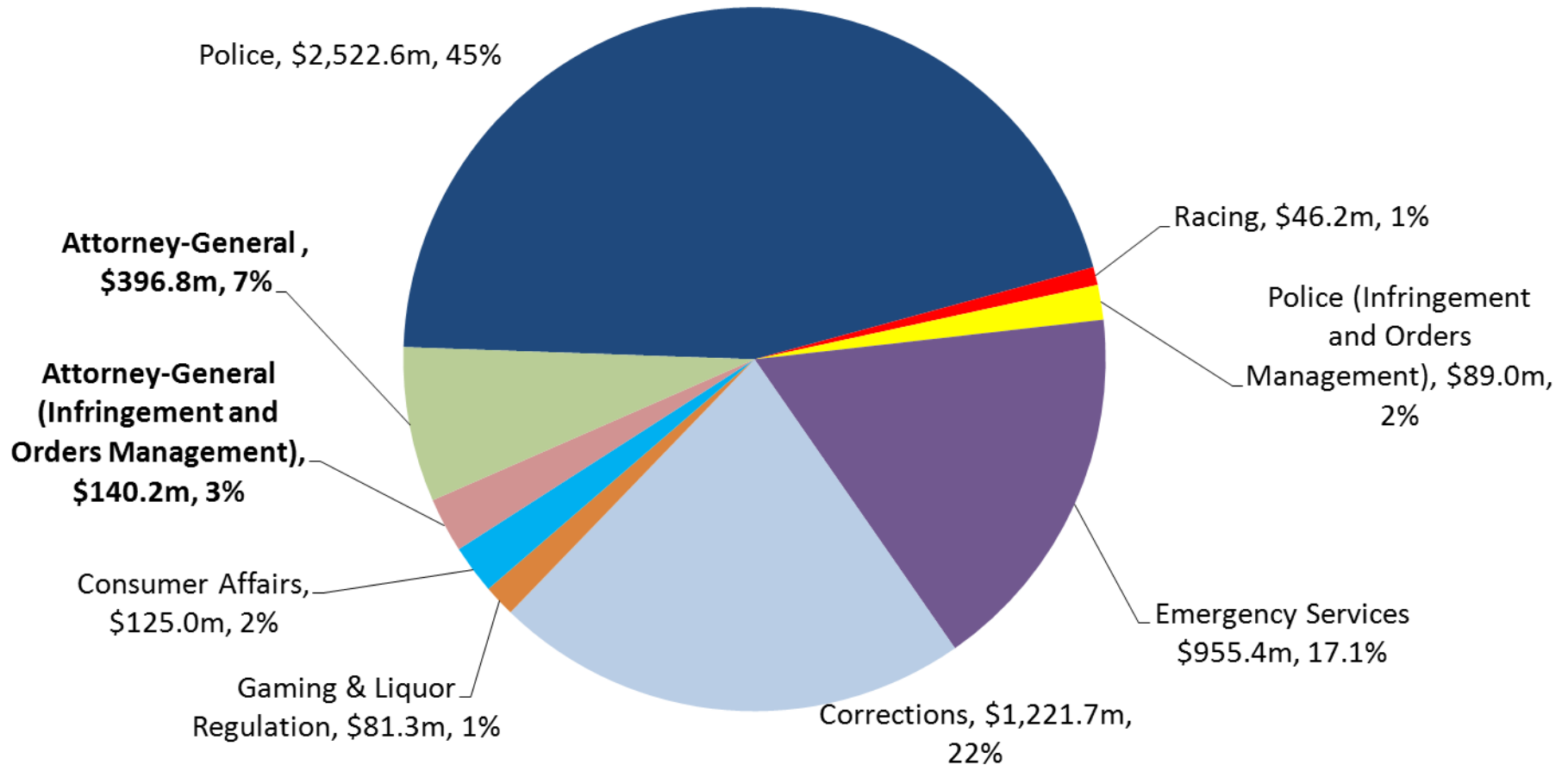
2015-16 Public Accounts and Estimates Committee Budget Estimates Hearing

The Hon Martin Pakula MP
Attorney-General

Justice Budget Breakdown

- This chart does not include Courts

2015-16 Published Output Costs by Ministerial Portfolio



2015-16 Budget Initiatives

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- \$40 million for a Royal Commission into Family Violence
- \$2.1 million for Family Violence Legal Assistance
- \$2 million over 2 years for a Community Legal Centre Assistance Fund
- \$1.2 million for Family Violence Duty Lawyers from Community Legal Centres to help more victims at the Magistrates' Court
- \$2.09 million over 4 years to continue funding legal assistance for the Assessment and Referral Court (ARC) List
- \$371,000 in 2015-16 for JobWatch
- \$0.2 million over 4 years to Fitzroy Legal Service to ensure the Law Handbook remains free and online
- \$19.084 million over 2 years to support the administration of the Working with Children Check
- \$37.2 million over 4 years for the Social and Community Services equal remuneration order

2015-16 Budget Initiatives

Courts

- \$10.0 million capital over 2 years and \$4.6 million output over 4 years for Video Conferencing
- \$4 million over 4 years for the Social and Community Services equal remuneration order
- \$0.1 million capital and \$9.5 million output over 4 years for the ARC List
- \$4.9 million in 2015-16 for Transport of Deceased Persons
- \$1.2 million over 4 years for the Coroners Court Death Review Unit
- \$0.5 million in 2015-16 for a Men's Behaviour Change Program
- \$0.08 million in 2015-16 for the Victorian Court Safety Audit

Achievements

- Supporting the Royal Commission into Family Violence and implementation of its recommendations
- Medicinal Cannabis for use in exceptional circumstances referred to Victorian Law Reform Commission for investigation of legislative options by 31 August 2015
- Legislation passed to remove limitation periods for civil actions founded on child abuse
- Move-On Powers repealed
- Repeal of section 19A of the Crimes Act introduced into Parliament
- Establishment of the ICE Taskforce
- Release of the ICE Action Plan
- Exemption of asbestos-related claims from the significant injury assessment process

Reforms Ahead

Criminal Justice

- Implementing the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Family Violence
- Implementing balance of the recommendations of the Betrayal of Trust Report
- Response to Victorian Law Reform Commission Report on Medicinal Cannabis
- Implementation of ICE Action Plan
- Leading the push for a national approach on unexplained wealth
- Considering adequacy of consorting laws to combat organised crime
- Commencement of the Expungement of Historical Homosexual Convictions Scheme

Reforms Ahead

Civil Justice

- Access to Justice
- Equality Agenda
- Government Legal Services Panel Re-tender
- Review of the Charter of Human Rights