

**ATTACHMENT 1: QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE AND
FURTHER INFORMATION AGREED TO BE
SUPPLIED AT THE HEARINGS**

TEACHING PROFESSION PORTFOLIO

1. How much of the Government's \$70 million of savings on the procurement of external legal advice has to be borne by Department of Education and Early Childhood Development and will schools need to find contingency in their own budgets to fund legal defences?

While the final breakdown and strategies to implement the Department's share of Government wide savings on the procurement of external legal advice has not been provided at this point, the outcome will not impact on schools in respect to the funding of legal proceedings or payments relating to matters where the Department is liable.

The Department will implement legal cost savings through a range of strategies, including the efficient engagement of external legal firms.