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What is the total amount, if any, spent on external legal advice or law firms by any agencies under the Minister's responsibility since 27 November 2023, broken down by firm and purpose?

I refer the member to the table for the total spend by the Water Services Authority – Taumata Arowai on external legal advice or law firms since 27 November 2023.

Agency	Firm	Purpose	Amount
Water Services Authority	DLA Piper New Zealand	Legislation advice	3,449.99
Water Services Authority	Dundas Street Employment Lawyers	Employment relations advice	32,514.49
Water Services Authority	Gibson Sheat Lawyers	Employment relations advice	5,000.00
Water Services Authority	Greenwood Roche	Lease advice	2,074.09
Water Services Authority	Juno Legal	Delegations advice	1,312.50
Water Services Authority	Juno Legal	General support/backfill for staff leave	5,437.50
Water Services Authority	MinterEllisonRuddWatts	Contract advice	12,992.00
Water Services Authority	Grand Total		\$62,780.57