<u>Richard Burgon responds to the latest</u> <u>legal aid statistics</u>

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Burgon MP, Labour's Shadow Justice Secretary, responding to the latest legal aid statistics, said:

"Under the Conservatives, legal advice and representation is becoming a privilege for the wealthy few.

"Many ordinary people dealing with difficult issues are no longer able to receive the legal assistance they need and deserve.

"This Tory Government must stop dragging their feet and get on with the long-awaited review of their disastrous cuts to legal aid.

"Labour

is supporting the Bach Commission in working to design a 21st century justice system which protects rather than penalises those who need advice, representation and justice."