

MACHINERY OF GOVERNMENT TASKFORCE, REPORT

391. Hon C L Edwardes to the Minister for Public Sector Management

- (1) I refer the Minister to the answer to question on notice No.15 of 2 May 2001 and ask did the Minister receive the first report of the Hicks Public Sector Review Taskforce on 1 June 2001?
- (2) If not, when did the Minister receive it?
- (3) Has Mr Hick's contract for service been extended?
- (4) If so, what are the terms and conditions of the extension?
- (5) When will the final report go to Cabinet?

Dr GALLOP replied:

- (1)-(5) The Report of the Machinery of Government Taskforce, chaired by Mr Stuart Hicks, was received and considered by Cabinet at its meeting on 18 June 2001.

The period of engagement of Stuart Hicks Management Pty Ltd commenced on 26 February 2001 and continued to 1 June 2001 with a contract fee of \$60,000.

The delay in finalising the submission to Cabinet and subsequent follow up requirements resulted in Mr Hicks continuing to Chair the Taskforce until 30 June 2001.

Having regard to the additional contribution and precedent of other Inquiries, it has been agreed that Stuart Hicks Management Pty Ltd would be paid a further amount of \$10,000.