

MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES — PORTFOLIOS — PURCHASING CARDS

121. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Emergency Services:

For each department and agency within the Minister's portfolio, could the Minister please provide information for the financial year 2019–2020, concerning the use of purchasing cards (including debit and credit cards) including:

- (a) how many cards were issued to staff;
- (b) what expenditure and transaction limits applied to the use of those cards;
- (c) the total dollar value of transactions made via those cards;
- (d) the total number of transactions made via those cards; and
- (e) a breakdown of the categories of goods and services purchased via those cards?

Hon Sue Ellery replied:

Department for Emergency Services

- (a) 621 active cards on 30 June 2020
- (b) standard monthly expenditure limit \$30,000 and standard transaction limit \$5,000 with the exceptions below:

Expenditure Limits	Transaction Limits	Total Cards
\$1	\$1	3
\$50,000	\$10,000	1
\$60,000	\$20,000	1
\$100,000	\$10,000	1

- (c) \$8,108,077
- (d) 28,268
- (e) This detailed information would require considerable time, which would divert staff away from their normal duties and it is not considered to be a reasonable or appropriate use of government resources to provide this information. If the member has a more specific query, our office will endeavour to provide a reply.