

GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING, COST

3008. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Deputy Premier

I refer to your answer to question on notice #2600, asked on March 2, 2004 and ask, given that the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, the Minister for Housing and Works and the Minister for Racing and Gaming were able to answer the question, in detail, does this infer that -

- (a) the Deputy Premier does not know the amount of taxpayer funds being spent on advertising
 - (b) the Departments and Agencies, under the Deputy Premier's portfolio, do not know the amount of taxpayer funds being spent on advertising;
 - (c) the Deputy Premier, do not want the amount of taxpayer funds spent on advertising to become public; and
 - (d) the internal accounting and audit systems within the Departments and Agencies, under the Deputy Premier's portfolio, are unable to provide accurate and up-to-date information on expenditure?
- (2) Will the Deputy Premier now direct that question No. 2600 be answered?
- (3) If not, why not?

Mr E.S. RIPPER replied:

Please refer to the response provided by the Premier for question on notice 3007 of 29th June 2004.