

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, CLEANING SERVICES

1174. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal Affairs; Science; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests

I refer the Premier to recent statements that the State Labor Government was moving toward 'in house cleaning services' and ask:

- (a) which Departments and Agencies under the Premier's portfolio use out-sourced cleaning services;
- (b) has a decision been made to bring these services 'in house';
- (c) has a cost benefit analysis been carried out on bringing the cleaning services 'in house';
- (d) if not, why not;
- (e) will 'in house' cleaning services be required to be cost competitive with out-sourced cleaning services;
- (f) will current contract employees be given first choice to fill any new positions created;
- (g) if not, why not;
- (h) if no to (e), what is the estimated increased cost to each Department or Agency budget; and
- (i) will Departments and Agencies be compensated for the increased cost incurred for complying with Labor Policy?

Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:

In order to accurately answer this question in context, I would ask the Member to please clarify the recent statements being referred to.