

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, MOBILE PHONES, LOST OR STOLEN

2617. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Attorney General; Minister for Health; Electoral Affairs

I refer the Attorney General to mobile telephones that have been lost or stolen and ask -

- (a) has the loss been reported to the service provider;
- (b) was the IMEI or serial number of the lost or stolen mobile telephone reported to the service provider so that the handset could be blocked from use;
- (c) if not, why not; and
- (d) what is the cost of replacing the lost or stolen mobile telephone handsets?

Mr J.A. McGINTY replied:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

- (a) All loss has been reported to the service provider for blocking of outgoing calls.
- (b) IMEI blocking is only applicable to GSM handsets. IMEI blocking has been progressively introduced by the service providers, Telstra (August 2002), Vodafone (January 2003) and Optus (March 2003). Intercarrier IMEI blocking was introduced on 15 September 2003 and has been used by the Department since this date.
- (c) Not applicable
- (d)

2000/2001	\$7 889.50
2001/2002	\$11 818.00
2002/2003	\$16 899.50

OFFICE OF HEALTH REVIEW

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) Not Applicable.
- (d) \$497.27.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) \$500 - and the second mobile telephone not replaced.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) The cost of replacing the lost or stolen mobile telephone handsets was \$698. This was for the replacement of two mobile phone handsets. There were no other costs associated with replacing the lost or stolen mobile telephones.

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- (a)-(d) Not applicable.