

CABINET MEETINGS, ATTENDANCE OF CABINET SECRETARY

1093. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Premier

- (1) Since the election of the Labor Government, how many Cabinet meetings have been held and on what dates?
- (2) At each Cabinet meeting was the Cabinet Secretary in attendance?
- (3) At each Cabinet meeting are there formal and informal meetings?
- (4) If so, does the Cabinet Secretary attend both types of meetings for the duration of each meeting?
- (5) If not, why not?
- (6) Are there Cabinet meetings that the Cabinet Secretary is not in attendance?

Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:

- (1) In the period 19/2/2001 to 27/2/2003 – a total of 109 meetings.
Cabinet meetings were held every Monday, or on the following Tuesday when a public holiday occurred, with a four week Xmas/New Year recess in 2001/02 and 2002/03. Ten additional mid-week meetings were held during this period.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) Generally.
- (4) No.
- (5) Matters that relate to executive government, requiring a formal decision, a record and/or follow up action, are not dealt with in the informal discussions.
- (6) Briefings and workshops.