

GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING, EXPENDITURE

890. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Health

Will the Minister provide a detailed account of all expenditure on advertising, public relations and community information programs in respect of each agency and statutory body that comes under the Minister's jurisdiction from 19 February 2001 to 17 February 2002, including -

- (a) the purpose of each such program or activity;
- (b) the business or organisation chosen to undertake or coordinate it;
- (c) the cost and source of funding; and
- (d) the date(s) each one was undertaken?

Mr R.C. KUCERA replied:

The information being sought by the member is not readily available.

I would advise that information systems used in agencies are designed to address operational and statutory requirements and don't necessarily facilitate the ready provision of information being sought by the member.

However, if the member has a particular issue of concern, I would be pleased to consider arranging for the agency to provide information on that specific issue.