

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, COST OF SENIOR EXECUTIVE SEVERANCES

574. Hon C L Edwardes to the Minister representing the Minister for Racing and Gaming; Minister assisting the Treasurer
- (1) In light of the State Government's stated intention to cull at least 60 senior executive jobs over the next four years, for departments, agencies and statutory authorities under the control of the Minister what is the dollar value of severances paid as part of the 60 severances in the 2000/2001 financial year?
  - (2) How many severances does (1) relate to?
  - (3) In respect to (2) what is the dollar value of the severances to be absorbed by agencies?
  - (4) In respect to (2) how much is to be directly funded by Treasury?
  - (5) In respect to (3), what services to the public of Western Australia will be sacrificed to pay for the cost of severances?
  - (6) In respect to (5), if no services are affected, have the funds returned to Treasury?
  - (7) If not, why not?

Mr RIPPER replied:

Please refer to the response provided by the Premier to question on notice 561 of 28 June 2001.