

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, CREDIT CARDS

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

Will the Minister provide -

- (a) a list of all officers (employed in agencies under the jurisdiction of his/her office) issued with, or with access to, credit cards for official use, from 19 February 2001 until 31 December 2002;
- (b) full details of all such transactions in regard to each such card, including the purpose of each credit card purchase by each officer, the cost and the date;
- (c) a list of all officers (employed in his/her office) issued with, or with access to, credit cards for official use, from 19 February 2001 until 31 December 2002;
- (d) full details of all such transactions in regard to each such card, including the purpose of each credit card purchase by each officer, the cost and the date;
- (e) a list of all the Minister's purchases using official credit cards from 19 February 2001 until 31 December 2002; and
- (f) full details of all such transactions, including the purpose of each credit card purchase, the cost and the date?

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.