

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION SITE INSPECTIONS AND REPORTS

782. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Consumer and Employment Protection

I refer the Minister to building and construction site inspections and reports and ask -

- (a) are all of these inspections and reports conducted by WorkSafe inspectors;
- (b) if no, who else compiles reports and carries out inspections of building site safety;
- (c) what are their names and the names of their organisations;
- (d) how much are the individuals and/or organisations paid for each inspection and/or report;
- (e) does any Government agency contract or employ persons or organisations to inspect and/or report on building and construction site safety;
- (f) who are these persons and/or organisations; and
- (g) how much are these persons and/or organisations paid?

Mr J.C. KOBELKE replied:

- (a) Yes. All inspections under the Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984 are carried out by inspectors employed by WorkSafe and appointed under S42 of the Act.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) No. In the context of my portfolio, no organisations other than WorkSafe are contracted or employed in such a capacity. However, from time to time WorkSafe engages technical experts to provide advice, particularly in investigations of serious or fatal incidents.
- (f) Not applicable.
- (g) Not applicable.