

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, QANTAS CLUB OR OTHER AIRLINE
MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMS

1994. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister representing the Minister for Heritage

- (1) What are the full names and classifications of all officers who have Qantas Club memberships, or other Airline membership programs paid for by the taxpayer within your portfolio for the financial years 2001/2002 and/or 2002/2003?
- (2) What are the amounts paid for each of the officers for the financial years 2001/2002 and/or 2002/2003?
- (3) Will the Minister table the policy document in respect to the entitlement for an airline membership?
- (4) If not, why not?
- (5) Will the Minister provide the full names and classifications of all officers who have an entitlement to fly business class?

Dr J.M. EDWARDS replied:

- (1) Ian Baxter, Director – Level 9
- (2) 2001/02 \$317.24
2002/03 \$286.08
- (3) Travel by Ministers and officers is undertaken in accordance with the Guidelines for Official Travel by Ministers and Government Officers, contained in Premier's Circular 14/01. A copy of the Circular is tabled for the Member's information.

In particular, Part 9 stipulates that Chief Executive Officers are responsible for determining whether to meet the cost of Government officers joining or maintaining membership of airline lounge facilities, frequent flyer schemes or similar services, and suggests some considerations relevant to the CEO's decision.
- (4) N/A
- (5) Part 4 of the Guidelines for Official Travel by Ministers and Government Officers states that Economy Class will be used for all official domestic and overseas travel, with the exceptions set out in 4.2.