

GOVERNMENT OFFICE ACCOMMODATION — OWNED AND LEASED

159. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the minister representing the Minister for Finance:

- (1) How many square metres of office accommodation does the Government own or lease?
- (2) What relocation projects is the Department of Finance currently involved in and what is the specific value of each of those projects?
- (3) How many leases does the Department of Finance manage and what is their total value?
- (4) What is the current vacancy rate of the central business district?

Hon Stephen Dawson replied:

The Department of Finance advises:

- (1) 885,180 square metres.
- (2) The estimated costs reported for the following relocation projects represent the cost of each fit-out project, including all professional fees and levies, loose furniture and equipment, workstations and audio visual equipment, and the cost of construction and commissioning ready for occupation. [See tabled paper no 493.]
- (3) 452 leases and licences relating to office accommodation with an approximate cost to government of \$257 million per annum (includes rent, variable outgoings and car parking).
- (4) The August 2017 Property Council of Australia Office Market Report reported a vacancy rate of 21.1 per cent in the Perth central business district for July 2017. There is no uncommitted vacant space in the Perth central business district in the Minister for Works leased office accommodation portfolio.