

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, BAD DEBTS

2013. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal Affairs; Science; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests

- (1) What was the amount of bad debts written off for each department and agency within the Premier's portfolio since 19 February 2001?
- (2) Were any of these debts above \$10,000 and if so, what is the name of the person or company who owed the debt?

Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:

I am advised that :

Department of the Premier and Cabinet

- (1) Department of the Premier and Cabinet bad debts written off \$47,641.00
- (2) In 2001/02, an amount of \$10,464.29 was written off for an employee, Dr Ross Field. This amount related to errors by a previous employing Department in 1974 and 1984 when allocating leave credits to Dr Field. Dr Field subsequently cleared 23.5 days of leave in good faith to which he was not entitled. The Statute of Limitations applies to recovery of this debt and it was written off. The liability was calculated at his 1998 remuneration when the errors were discovered, however, at the time of the administrative errors the leave credits would have been worth approximately \$2,635.00 in total.

Anti-Corruption Commission

The Anti-Corruption Commission has provided the following information:

- (1) None.
- (2) Not applicable.

Governor's Establishment

- (1)-(2) Not applicable to the Governor's Establishment.

Office of the Public Sector Standards Commissioner

The Commissioner for Public Sector Standards advises as follows:

- (1) Nil.
- (2) Not applicable.