

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING — PORTFOLIOS — DEBT COLLECTION AGENCIES

164. Ms M.J. Davies to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Education and Training:

As at 31 May 2021, for all agencies or departments under the Minister's responsibility, please identify:

- (a) The debt collection agencies which currently have contractual agreements; and
- (b) If there are active debt recovery actions and what are the total values of debt sought per agency or department?

**Mr T.J. Healy replied:**

Department of Education

School debt collection information for 2021 is not available until the end of the calendar year. As such, the Department's response has been based on the 2020 calendar year.

- (a) For the calendar year ended December 2020, the Department of Education engaged debt collectors through the Debt Recovery Services Common Use Arrangement CUADRS2018. This is a whole-of-government contract managed by the Department of Finance which is mandatory for the Perth region, with a panel of three contractors:

- (1) Baycorp (WA) Pty. Ltd.
- (2) National Credit Management Ltd.
- (3) Ilion Australia Pty. Ltd.

- (b) For the calendar year ended December 2020, the Department initiated debt recovery actions for \$652,851.55.

Department of Training and Workforce Development

(a)	(b)
National Credit Management Limited	\$59,698.00

North Metropolitan TAFE

(a)	(b)
National Credit Management Limited	\$236,818.12

South Metropolitan TAFE

(a)	(b)
National Credit Management Limited	\$10,695.85

North Regional TAFE

(a)	(b)
National Credit Management Limited	\$7,107.00

Central Regional TAFE

(a)	(b)
National Credit Management Limited	\$4,719.00

South Regional TAFE

(a)	(b)
Albany Credit Collections Trust	\$12,071.00
Australe Pty Ltd as BCA Debt	\$56,832.00

Construction Training Fund

(a)	(b)
Nil	Not applicable