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HEALTH (AIR-HANDLING AND WATER SYSTEMS) REGULATIONS, WATER-BASED AIR CONDITIONING

2823. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Premier

I refer the Premier to the Health (Air-handling and Water Systems) Regulations 1994 and ask -

- (a) do all Government owned buildings with water base air-conditioning comply with the above regulations and with AS 3666, Parts 1 and 2;
- (b) if not, which buildings do not comply and when will the water-based air-conditioning units be up graded so that they comply;
- (c) do all buildings, where the Government leases office space, with water base air-conditioning comply with the above regulations and with AS 3666, Parts 1 and 2; and
- (d) will the Government ensure that all buildings with water base air-conditioning, and where the Government intends to lease office space, do comply with the above regulations and with AS 3666, Parts 1 and 2?

Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:

- (a) There is a very large number of Government owned buildings and it is not possible to give a precise answer in respect of all buildings without considerable research. However, Government owned buildings designed, constructed and maintained using water based air-conditioning would be expected to comply with standards and regulations applicable at the time of construction. AS 3666, Parts 1 and 2, and the Health (Air-handling and Water Systems) Regulations 1994 are the current applicable standards.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) It is not possible to give a precise answer in respect of all buildings without considerable research. However, buildings in which the Government leases office space would be expected to comply with standards and regulations applicable at the time of construction. AS 3666, Parts 1 and 2, and the Health (Air-handling and Water Systems) Regulations 1994 are the current applicable standards.
- (d) Buildings intended for leased Government office space will be checked for compliance with the above regulations and with AS 3666, Parts 1 and 2.