

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, CLEANING SERVICES

1176. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Attorney General; Minister for Justice and Legal Affairs; Electoral Affairs; Peel and the South West

I refer the Attorney General to recent statements that the State Labor Government was moving toward 'in house cleaning services' and ask:

- (a) which Departments and Agencies under the Attorney General's portfolio use out-sourced cleaning services;
- (b) has a decision been made to bring these services 'in house';
- (c) has a cost benefit analysis been carried out on bringing the cleaning services 'in house';
- (d) if not, why not;
- (e) will 'in house' cleaning services be required to be cost competitive with out-sourced cleaning services;
- (f) will current contract employees be given first choice to fill any new positions created;
- (g) if not, why not;
- (h) if no to (e), what is the estimated increased cost to each Department or Agency budget; and
- (i) will Departments and Agencies be compensated for the increased cost incurred for complying with Labor Policy?

Mr J.A. McGINTY replied:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- (a) Department of Justice.
- (b) No.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Cleaning services are subject to competitive tender, as part of contract tender processes.
- (e) Not applicable.
- (f) Not applicable.
- (g) Not applicable.
- (h) Not applicable.
- (i) Not applicable.

LAW REFORM COMMISSION:

- (a) The Law Reform Commission uses out-sourced cleaning services.
- (b) No.
- (c) No.
- (d) Cleaning services form part of the Law Reform Commission's lease agreement.
- (e) Not applicable.
- (f) Not applicable.
- (g) Not applicable.
- (h) Not applicable.
- (i) Not applicable.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

- (a) the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions is accommodated in leased premises at Hartleys Building (Westralia Square) 141 St Georges Terrace, Perth. Cleaning services are provided through the building's managing agents and charges for those services are paid as part of variable outgoings;
- (b)-(i) Not applicable.

ELECTORAL COMMISSION

- (a) Western Australian Electoral Commission
- (b) No
- (c) No
- (d) Part of building lease
- (e) Not applicable
- (f) Not applicable
- (g) Not applicable

- (h) Not applicable
- (i) Not applicable

**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION**

- (a) The A/Commissioner for Equal Opportunity does not directly use 'out-sourced' or 'in-house' cleaning services for its existing tenancy. Cleaning contractors are engaged by the building management and paid by the A/Commissioner via the agency's lease agreement. This lease agreement is due to expire in 2007.
- (b) As cleaning services are aligned with the Commission's lease agreement there has been no decision to review or alter this arrangement.
- (c)-(i) Not applicable.

**LEGAL AID WA**

- (a) The Legal Aid Commission.
- (b) No. Existing accommodation leasing arrangements provide for the Lessors to arrange cleaning services.
- (c)-(i) Not applicable.

**OFFICE OF THE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER**

- (a) The cleaning services at the Office of the Information Commissioner are provided by the building management, in accordance with our lease agreement.
- (b)-(i) Not applicable

**OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR OF CUSTODIAL SERVICES**

- (a) The Office of the Inspector of Custodial Services uses outsourced cleaning services.
- (b) No decision has been made to bring the service in-house.
- (c) No. The service is provided by the landlord as part of the cost of the lease agreement.
- (d) The option of bringing cleaning services 'in house' is not negotiable as the landlord on a multi-tenanted basis performs it.
- (e)-(i) Not applicable.

**PEEL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

- (a) Peel Development Commission.
- (b)-(i) The matter is currently under consideration.

**SOUTH WEST DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (SWDC)**

- (a) The South West Development Commission does not use outsourced cleaning services. Cleaning is included as part of the tenancy agreement.
- (b)-(i) Not Applicable.