

HEALTH SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE, APPOINTMENT OF MR MIKE DAUBE

724. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Premier

I refer the Premier to his answer to question on notice No. 347 of 2001, concerning the appointment of Mr Mike Daube to the position of Chairperson of the Health System Administrative Review Committee and ask: -

- (a) is it correct that the task undertaken by Mr Daube was funded by taxpayers through the reimbursement of \$5,500 to his employer, the Cancer Foundation;
- (b) does the Premier stand by his answer to question on notice No. 347 of 2001;
- (c) how does the Premier relate his answer to question on notice No. 347 of 2001 with what the WA Inc Royal Commission said in respect to Question time that *'The manner of it's conduct, the apparent acceptance of evasion and equivocation in providing answers, and the government manipulation of it for its own purposes, can leave the public with little reassurance that it serves the accountability purpose...' (p3-13)*; and
- (d) is this an indication of how the Labor Government has learnt from its previous mistakes?

Dr G.I. GALLOP replied:

- (a) The Minister for Health utilised the services of Mr Daube from the Cancer Foundation to assist in the implementation of the recommendations of the Health Administrative Review Committee (HARC). Mr Daube was not remunerated for this work, however he requested that his employer be reimbursed for the time he would spend over the number of months required to implement the Committee's Report. The Government agreed to this request and a total charge of \$5,000 (plus GST of \$500) was decided upon as an appropriate reimbursement to the Foundation.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) There is no relationship.
- (d) Not applicable.