

CABINET SECRETARY, APPOINTMENT

21. Mrs EDWARDES to the Premier:

In accordance with the Labor Government pre-election commitment to appoint a senior public servant as cabinet secretary to implement the ministerial code of conduct for cabinet, will the Premier advise -

- (a) when the position of cabinet secretary was advertised;
- (b) how many applications were received;
- (c) the names of the members of the selection panel and who is the chair;
- (d) how many applicants were shortlisted;
- (e) has the panel made a recommendation to the Premier;
- (f) If not, why not;
- (g) has the Minister/staff of Ministers/or Public Servants discussed with any Member of the Panel the candidates for the position; and
- (h) has any member of the panel discussed with any Minister/staff of Minister/or Public Servant the candidates for the position?

Dr GALLOP replied:

- (a)-(h) The position of Cabinet Secretary has been established in the Ministry of the Premier and Cabinet but has not been advertised. The Manager, Cabinet Services, Ministry of the Premier and Cabinet is acting in the position until it is advertised and merit selection processes are undertaken.