

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, INTEGRATION OF SERVICES, COST SAVINGS

528. Hon C L Edwardes to the Minister for Police; Emergency Services; Local Government; Minister assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

- (1) I refer to the Report of the Taskforce Established to Review the Machinery of Western Australia's Government and ask what cost savings are to result through the integration of services?
- (2) How are these cost savings to be realised?
- (3) Will the abolition of Public Sector positions be incorporated into the realisation of the cost savings?
- (4) If so, how many positions have been identified for abolition?
- (5) Will the vacancy of public sector positions be incorporated into the realisation of the cost savings?
- (6) If so, how many positions have been identified to be retained as vacant?
- (7) What classification levels are the positions identified for abolition?
- (8) What classification levels are the positions identified for vacancy?

Mrs ROBERTS replied:

- (1)-(8) The main purpose of the Taskforce Established to Review the Machinery of Government was not to achieve cost cuts, it was to improve government services. The Western Australia Police Service and the Fire and Emergency Services Authority were unaffected the recommendations of the Machinery of Government Review.