

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, STAFF STATISTICS

1027. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Minister representing the Minister for Housing and Works; Local Government and Regional Development; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne

I refer to the answer to question on notice No. 249 concerning staffing and salary issues, and to the State Labor Government's election promise on openness and accountability and ask -

- (a) how does the Minister reconcile the answer given when six Ministers have responded in detail;
- (b) will the Minister now answer Question 249; and
- (c) if not, why not?

Ms MacTIERNAN replied:

- (a)-(c) In response to Question on Notice No 249, the Minister advises that he was first appointed as a Minister in the Gallop Government on 16 February 2001, and that he is not at this time prepared to request his Chief Executives to allocate the resources necessary to research and collate information relative to the activities of the previous administration in reference to these matters.

However, the member is most welcome to position with the Minister any specific concerns for consideration and investigation.