

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, COMPUTERS AND MOBILE PHONES, LOST OR STOLEN

2296. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Consumer and Employment Protection; Indigenous Affairs; Minister Assisting the Minister for Public Sector Management

I refer to the answers to questions on notice Nos 2132 to 2147 inclusive, relating to the loss or theft of laptop computers, notebooks and palm computers and mobile phones and ask -

- (a) how many of these losses or thefts were reported to the police;
- (b) when were they reported;
- (c) of those reported, what has been the outcome; and
- (d) if any were not reported to the police, why not?

Mr J.C. KOBELKE replied:

Department of Consumer and Employment Protection

- (a) Twenty (20) losses were reported to the Police.
- (b) By the next business day, following the discovery of the loss or theft of either the laptop computer, notebook, palm computer or mobile phone.
- (c) No items have been recovered.
- (d) Not applicable.

Department of Indigenous Affairs

- (a) Five (5) losses were reported to the Police.
- (b) By the next business day, following the discovery of the loss or theft of either the laptop computer, notebook, palm computer or mobile phone.
- (c) No items have been recovered.
- (d) It was considered that the low value of the items not reported did not justify the further commitment of resources.

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- (a) Two (2) losses were reported to Police.
- (b) By the next business day, following the discovery of the loss or theft of either the laptop computer, notebook, palm computer or mobile phone.
- (c) No items have been recovered.
- (d) Mobile phones not reported as they are replaced free of charge in accordance with contract.

Western Australian Industrial Relations Commission

- (a) All thefts were reported to the police, losses are not reported until stock taking is carried out.
- (b) By the next business day, following the discovery of the loss or theft of either the laptop computer, notebook, palm computer or mobile phone.
- (c) No items have been recovered.
- (d) See answer to part (a).