

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION —
RESIDENTIAL AND OFFICE ACCOMMODATION

4891. Hon Sally Talbot to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to the Department of Environment and Conservation's Annual Report 2010–11 in relation to property, plant and equipment, and ask —

- (1) How many residential houses or other residential accommodation does the department own?
- (2) How many residential houses or other residential accommodation does the department lease?
- (3) What is the location, size and cost for both owned and leased residential properties?
- (4) How many employees receive housing assistance, (for example, housing allowance payments or rental assistance) and where are these employees based?
- (5) In relation to office accommodation, how many offices does the department own or lease, and where is this office accommodation located?
- (6) What is the location, size and cost for both owned and leased office accommodation?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

- (1) 46
- (2) 196, of which 185 are leased from Government Regional Officers Housing (GROH) and 11 are leased from the private sector.
- (3) [See paper 4130.] Table 1 shows location, size and cost. The "Annual Cost" column records base annual rental payments for houses leased from GROH and private owners.
- (4) 11 employees receive housing assistance and are based at Exmouth (2), Kalgoorlie(4), Karratha (1), Kununurra (1), Broome (2) and Denham (1).
- (5) [See paper 4130.] The Department of Environment and Conservation owns or leases 85 offices, as shown in Table 2.
- (6) [See paper 4130.] Table 2 shows location, size and cost. The "Annual Cost" column records base annual rental payments for leased offices excluding variable outgoings.