

MINISTERIAL OFFICES, TRADE AND PROFESSIONAL MAGAZINES, SUBSCRIPTIONS

2942. 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 subscription of trade and professional magazines and periodicals for Ministerial Office/s and ask -

- (a) what are the names of the trade and professional magazines and periodicals that are subscribed to;
- (b) for each of the trade and professional magazines and periodicals, what are the monthly and annual costs and charges;
- (c) are the trade and professional magazines and periodicals ordered for individual or general use;
- (d) for those trade and professional magazines and periodicals ordered for individuals, what are the names and positions held by these individuals and the reason/s that they receive the trade and professional magazines and periodicals;
- (e) who authorises the purchase or subscription to each trade and professional magazine or periodical;
- (f) what are the guidelines for such purchases; and
- (g) if there are no guidelines for such purchases, will the Minister implement guidelines?

Mr J.C. KOBELKE replied:

- (a) Indigenous Law Bulletin - University of New South Wales.
Consuming Interests - Australian Consumers' Association.
- (b) \$59.95 (1 year's subscription) for Indigenous Law Bulletin.
\$55.00 (2 year's subscription) for Consuming Interests.
- (c) General use.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) Chief of Staff.
- (f) There are no written guidelines for such purchases but professional magazines and periodicals are subscribed to where it is considered that their relevance will assist the Minister and ministerial staff in the discharge of their duties.
- (g) It is not considered necessary to have specific guidelines for this purpose.