

PREMIER — PORTFOLIOS — CONSULTANTS

15. Ms M.J. Davies to the Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations:

I refer to external consultants hired and tasked with assisting Departments, and ask:

- (a) For all departments or agencies under your responsibility, please detail:
- (i) The number of private consultants hired in the 2020–21 Financial Year;
 - (ii) The total cost to the department for hiring those consultants;
 - (iii) The number of reports produced by those private consultants; and
 - (iv) The number of reports made public?

Mr M. McGowan replied:

- (a) (i)–(ii) As part of this government’s ongoing commitment to accountability and transparency, and in accordance with Premier’s Circular 2019/06, a six-monthly *“Report on Consultants Engaged by the Government”* is tabled in this place.

Reports for the 2020/21 financial year will be tabled shortly.

Economic Regulation Authority, Fire and Emergency Services Superannuation Board, Parliamentary Superannuation Board, Auditor General, Western Australian Treasury Corporation, Public Sector Commission, Insurance Commission of Western Australia, Government Employees Superannuation Board

- (iii) Nil.
(iv) Not applicable.

Department of the Premier and Cabinet

- (iii) Five formal reports have been produced as of 30 June 2021. As was practice under the previous government, consultants may be engaged by the government to provide strategic advice.
(iv) As of 30 June 2021, no formal reports produced have been publicly released. This is figure is subject to change as reports produced are considered by government.

Infrastructure Western Australia

- (iii) Nine formal reports have been produced as of 30 June 2021. As was practice under the previous government, consultants may be engaged by the government to provide strategic advice.
(iv) As of 30 June 2021, no formal reports produced have been publicly released. This is figure is subject to change as reports produced are considered by government.

Salaries and Allowances Tribunal

- (iii) One formal report has been produced as of 30 June 2021. As was practice under the previous government, consultants may be engaged by the government to provide strategic advice.
(iv) As of 30 June 2021, no formal reports produced have been publicly released. This is figure is subject to change as reports produced are considered by government.

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- (iii) Four formal reports have been produced as of 30 June 2021. As was practice under the previous government, consultants may be engaged by the government to provide strategic advice.
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Department of Treasury

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