

LOCAL GOVERNMENT STANDARDS PANEL — STATE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL FEES

4798. Mr A. Krsticevic to the Minister for Local Government:

I refer to the Local Government Standards Panel system and ask are councillors with adverse findings against them required to pay \$500 to have their case heard at the State Administrative Tribunal:

- (a) If yes, who set the fee policy and:
 - (i) Why was the figure of \$500 chosen;
 - (ii) Is the fee used to cover the activities of the State Administrative Tribunal and does it cover all the costs to hear the individual cases; and
 - (iii) Will the fee continue to be imposed when new or amended Local Government legislation is introduced?

Mr D.A. Templeman replied:

- (a) The setting of fees for appeals to the State Administrative Tribunal is a matter for the Attorney General.