

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT — PARTY POLITICAL FUNDRAISERS — COMPLAINTS

5162. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister for Local Government:

- (1) Has the Minister's Office or the Department of Local Government and Communities received any complaints from elected officials that their local government authority is paying for elected officials or officers to attend party political fundraisers:
 - (a) if so, how many; and
 - (b) which local government authorities were the complaints received regarding?
- (2) Has the Minister's Office or the Department of Local Government and Communities received any complaints from ratepayers that their local government authority is paying for elected officials or officers to attend party political fundraisers:
 - (a) if so, how many? and; and
 - (b) which local government authorities were the complaints received regarding?

Mr A.J. Simpson replied:

- (1) No.
- (a)–(b) Not applicable.
- (2) Yes.
 - (a) One.
 - (b) It is not appropriate for me to comment as the complaint is the subject of a current investigation by my Department of Local Government and Communities.