

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — LONG SERVICE LEAVE REGULATIONS

3095. Mr A. Krsticevic to the Minister for Local Government:

I refer to regulation 7 of the Local Government (Long Service Leave) Regulations, and ask:

- (a) why is a worker restricted to taking long service leave in no more than three separate periods;
- (b) do you believe this restriction is appropriate and if not, when will you rectify this outdated provision; and
- (c) will you be reviewing this regulation, as part of the review of the *Local Government Act 1995*?

Mr D.A. Templeman replied:

- (a) Because these were the benefits provided to other industries by the *Long Service Leave Act 1958* at the time the Regulations were drafted.
- (b) The restriction is outdated. I have already requested Parliamentary Counsel to draft an appropriate amendment.
- (c) This issue is being dealt with separately to the *Local Government Act 1995* review.