

STATE RECORDS COMMISSION — ANNUAL REPORT 2017–18

4332. Mr A. Krsticevic to the Minister for Culture and the Arts:

I refer to the State Records Commission 2017–18 Annual Report and the statement that no transfers to the State Records Office were made by the State Library as required during the year, and ask:

- (a) why were the transfers stopped;
- (b) when will the transfers recommence;
- (c) how many items are awaiting transfer from the State Library to the SRO; and
- (d) will the backlog of transfers be cleared in the 2018–19 year:
 - (i) if not, when will the backlog be cleared?

Mr D.A. Templeman replied:

- (a) The transfer process is labour intensive and has been impacted by staffing constraints. In 2017–18, the focus shifted to find ways to streamline the process.
- (b) Work on transfers has continued in 2018 with two photographic collections, amounting to nearly 500 photographs from the Forests Department and Native Welfare transferred in October 2018.
- (c) 31 collections are currently listed for consideration for transfer, and other items may be identified.
- (d) No.
 - (i) Unknown.