

FISHERIES, RECREATIONAL, GST CONTRIBUTION

1279. Hon Murray Criddle to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

In the Government's policy for Fisheries, it is stated that Labor will 'take account of the altered taxation arrangements that now mean that recreational fishers make a direct GST contribution to the State's Consolidated Revenue Fund' -

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that this has been implemented?
- (2) If so, what is the total amount of GST from recreational fisheries that has been contributed to the State's Consolidated Revenue Fund?

Hon KIM CHANCE replied:

- (1) Yes, the revised taxation arrangements have been taken into account.
- (2) GST from all sources is collected by the Commonwealth and then redistributed to States according to the Grants Commission formula.

There is no clear relationship between the GST collected in a State and the amount returned to the State.