

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, PRIVATISATION, CLOSURE AND CONTRACTING  
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2220. Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Housing:

- (1) Since the election of the present State Government in 1993 – which government departments, agencies and/or enterprises under the Minister for Housing’s portfolio have been –
  - (a) privatised; and
  - (b) closed?
- (2) Which services under the minister’s portfolio, formerly performed by government employees have been contracted out to the private sector?

Hon M.J. CRIDDLE replied:

- (1)
  - (a) Nil.
  - (b) The Industrial Commercial Employees Housing Authority and the Rural Housing Authority were repealed on 1 July 1998 and replaced with the Country Housing Authority as of 1 July 1998.
- (2)
  - (i) The internal audit function.
  - (ii) Estate maintenance.
  - (iii) Development and support of the Ministry of Housing’s core Information Services application “Caretaker”.
  - (iv) Information Services mainframe process as part of whole of government arrangement.
  - (v) Debt recovery.
  - (vi) Property and settlement services for joint venture developments and new living projects.
  - (vii) The management of the Government Employees Housing Authority accommodation in Broome was contracted to Broome Real Estate as a pilot scheme commencing 1 May 1997 and terminating 30 June 2000. This function will be returned to the management of the Ministry of Housing as from 1 July 2000.
  - (viii) Management of the Homeswest Loan Scheme Trust.
  - (ix) The Remote Areas Essential Services Program.
  - (x) The program management of the Ministry of Housing’s Aboriginal Community Construction Program in the Kimberley.
  - (xi) Management of joint venture land developments.
  - (xii) Management of new living and redevelopment projects.
  - (xiii) Supported Housing Assistance Program to non-government organisations.