

TAXI PLATES

581. Hon GEORGE CASH to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:

- (1) How many taxi plates has the government leased in each of the past five years?
- (2) What is the annual lease fee for these taxi plates?
- (3) Can these taxi plates be purchased by the leaseholder; and, if so, what is the cost and what conditions apply to such a purpose?
- (4) What is the public policy supporting the decision of the government to lease taxi plates?
- (5) What benefits have flowed from the decision of the government to lease taxi plates?
- (6) Is there evidence to show that the decision of the government to lease taxi plates has caused the lease fee on private taxi plates to be reduced; and, if so, by what approximate amount?

Hon SALLY TALBOT replied:

On behalf of the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, I thank the member for some notice of this question. Due to the length of the question and the detail required, the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure asks that the question be placed on notice.