

FERAL CATTLE — YANDEYARRA

30. Hon ROBIN CHAPPLE to the minister representing the Minister for Lands:

I refer to photographs entitled “Cattle” that can be found on my website and were taken in 2012 at horse water well on Mugarinya pastoral lease, Yandeyarra, in which several cattle perished.

- (1) Is the minister or the department aware of this incident?
- (2) If yes to (1), what caused the deaths and what action was taken?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?
- (4) If yes to (1), were any reports filed; and, if so, will the minister table the reports?

Hon COL HOLT replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) Neither the minister nor the Department of Lands is aware of the incident.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) The Department of Lands is unable to provide comment on any incident in 2012 as this matter would relate to the Animal Welfare Act and thereby be under the aegis of the Minister for Agriculture and Food. A search of departmental records does not reveal a pastoral lease named or known as Mugarinya; however, Mugarinya Aboriginal Corporation holds a management order over Yandeyarra Aboriginal Reserve.
- (4) Not applicable.