

Division 60: Office of the Inspector of Custodial Services, \$2 340 000 —

Mr M.W. Sutherland, Chairman.

Mr C.C. Porter, Minister for Corrective Services.

Mr B.J. Cram, Deputy Inspector of Custodial Services.

Mr D. Summers, Director.

Mr P. PAPALIA: I refer to the first dot point on page 770, under “Significant Issues Impacting the Agency”. It states —

The Office is writing standards which will reflect international human rights ...

I am interested to hear the minister’s view about the possible implications for international human rights issues in respect of double bunking as a widespread activity and an almost accepted practice.

Mr C.C. PORTER: Perhaps we will correspond on that issue; there have been some developments. The newly appointed inspector actually drafted some of the protocols for prisons that were contingent upon the government signing certain international documents, and I understand that he is now assisting that process internationally.

The appropriation was recommended.

Committee adjourned at 10.00 pm