

ROYAL ASSOCIATION OF JUSTICES

**997. Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:**

I refer to the Royal Association of Justices of Western Australia Inc.

- (1) What facilities or funding does the government provide the association?
- (2) Is the Attorney General satisfied that the association is abiding by its rules and compliant with its legal obligations?
- (3) If no to (2), what breaches have been drawn to his attention, by whom and when, and what action has he taken?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

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

- (1) The Department of Justice provides accommodation and facilities for the Royal Association of Justices WA at the Magistrates Court, 501 Hay Street, Perth.
- (2)–(3) The Attorney General has received, or been copied into, various emails from past and present RAJWA members relating to allegations concerning RAJWA's obligations under and compliance with the Associations Incorporations Act 2015. This act falls under the commerce and industrial relations portfolio, and the member should direct his queries to the Minister for Commerce and Industrial Relations. The Attorney General is not involved in the operations of independent associations incorporated under this act. However, it should be noted that the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety's guidelines outline that complaints, disputes and grievances should initially be managed internally by the relevant incorporated association through their own dispute resolution procedures. Should the need arise, an incorporated association may seek external assistance from a professional resolution service, the State Administrative Tribunal or a court, subject to the nature of the dispute.