

MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING — PORTFOLIOS —
KASPERSKY LAB PRODUCTS — CYBERSECURITY

3132. Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Education and Training:

In respect of the Minister's portfolio responsibilities for any ministerial office, departments, agencies, government trading enterprises or boards I ask, whether any information security products (i.e. antivirus software) by AO Kaspersky Lab are in use, and if yes:

- (a) What products are in use (i.e. Kaspersky Anti-Virus, Kaspersky Endpoint Security Cloud);
- (b) Do any of these computers store, or transmit confidential or sensitive information;
- (c) What is the annual cost of subscribing to these products; and
- (d) Noting the United State's Department of Homeland Security's issuance of Binding Operational Directive 17-01 ordering agencies in that nation to discontinue use of this software due to cyber-security concerns, why is this software still in use?

Mr P. Papalia replied:

Ministerial Office

Please refer to Legislative Assembly Question on Notice 3134.

Department of Education

No.

(a)–(c) Not applicable.

- (d) Advice from the Australian Signals Directorate indicates that there is neither a current ban nor recommendation to cease use of AO Kaspersky Lab products. The Department of Education does not use AO Kaspersky Lab products. However, it is possible that some devices personally owned by staff or students as part of Bring Your Own Device programs in schools may have the software installed.

Department of Training and Workforce Development

North Metropolitan TAFE

South Metropolitan TAFE

Central regional TAFE

North Regional TAFE

South Regional TAFE

No.

(a)–(d) Not applicable.

Building and Construction Industry Training Fund

No.

(a)–(d) Not applicable.