

PILBARA DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION — DR KEN KING

199. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Regional Development:

With reference to Dr Ken King, the CEO of Pilbara Development Commission since January 2013, I ask:

- (a) will the Minister please table a list of all flights undertaken by Dr Ken King in relation to his role as CEO of the Pilbara Development Commission, including any commuting to and from his home in Queensland;
- (b) will the Minister identify which flights were commercial and which were charter;
- (c) will the Minister table a cost breakdown for both commercial and charter flights undertaken by Dr King;
- (d) does Dr King have an entertainment budget:
 - (i) if yes to (d), what is that budget; and
 - (ii) if yes to (d), will the Minister provide a monthly breakdown of expenditure by Dr King since his appointment;
- (e) where is Dr King's office located; and
- (f) how much time has Dr King spent in the Pilbara since his appointment?

Hon Ken Baston replied:

- (a)–(c) Yes, details are provided for all flights undertaken by Dr King for the period 14 January 2013 to 31 August 2013 [See paper 630.]
- (d) No (i)–(ii) Not applicable.
- (e) The Pilbara Development Commission has offices in Perth, Karratha and Port Hedland.
- (f) In his role as CEO Dr King has travelled extensively on Commission business between the Commission offices; in the Pilbara; and interstate to Sydney, Canberra, Brisbane, Melbourne and Rockhampton. Taking into account public holidays and annual leave there were 140 business days between 14 January 2013 and 31 August 2013. During the period Dr King spent 90 days in the Pilbara.