

WA MUSEUM AND PERTH THEATRE TRUST, ADVERTISING EXPENDITURE

849. Hon John Cowdell to the Attorney General representing the Minister for the Arts:

- (1) Can the Minister for the Arts confirm that the WA Museum and the Perth Theatre Trust are required to comply with section 175 ZE of the Electoral Act?
- (2) Have the above-mentioned authorities disclosed their advertising expenditure for the -
 - (a) 1997-98; and
 - (b) 1998-99,financial years?
- (3) If not, why not?
- (4) What was the advertising expenditure for these authorities in the -
 - (a) 1997-98; and
 - (b) 1998-99,financial years?

Hon PETER FOSS replied:

Western Australian Museum

- (1) Yes
- (2) No
- (3) Historically, it was not a requirement for the Museum to provide this information, therefore the 1997/1998, 1998/1999 requirement was an oversight.
- (4)
 - (a) \$117 279.00
 - (b) \$ 53 006.67

Perth Theatre Trust

- (1) Yes
- (2) No
- (3) The Trust's advertising expenditure is largely directed to promoting events held in the managed venues. Given the intent of the Electoral Act provisions the Trust had in good faith believed that it had no reportable expenditure.
- (4)
 - (a) Operating account expenditure of \$28 483*
 - (b) Operating account expenditure of \$17 834*

* Excludes expenditure from the trust account recouped from ticket sales revenue.