

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Mrs Lambley to the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services:

**Police Commissioner's "emergency powers" to suspend trading of liquor outlets**

1. When was the NT Police Commissioner first granted "emergency powers" to suspend trading of liquor outlets?
2. How many liquor outlets have had their trading suspended by the Police Commissioner, using his new "emergency powers" since this came into effect?
3. Please provide all details of which liquor outlets have had their trading suspended, where the outlets are located, reasons for the suspension and how long the trade was suspended?
4. Why have all the suspensions of trading of liquor outlets by the Police Commissioner been south of Darwin and Palmerston – in Katherine, Tennant Creek and Alice Springs?
5. Why has there been no suspensions of trading of liquor outlets by the Police Commissioner in Darwin or Palmerston?
6. Is the Police Commissioner targeting liquor outlets outside of Darwin?
7. If so, why?
8. How does the Police Commissioner assess and determine which Liquor outlets will be targeted under these "emergency powers"?
9. What accountability does the Police Commissioner have to the Minister for Police in the suspensions of trading of liquor outlets?
10. What reporting does the Police Commissioner have to the Minister for Police in the suspension of trading of liquor outlets?
11. Is there any right of appeal for liquor outlets that have their trading suspended by the Police Commissioner?
12. How can Territorians be assured that the "emergency powers" of the Police Commissioner to suspend trading of liquor outlets is being used fairly across the NT?