

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Vowles to the Minister for Multicultural Affairs:

Multicultural Portfolio Functions

For the Multicultural portfolio:

1. How many official functions have you hosted?
2. What is the average length of time these have lasted?
3. Official function should last no longer than one and a half hours, why do yours go three hours or more?
4. What has this cost in responsible serving of alcohol staff overtime?
5. How much has been spent on alcohol?
6. What has the overall cost been?

ANSWER

From your time in Government you would be aware of the importance of hosting official functions and that they are at the discretion of the relevant Minister.

These functions are conducted for a variety of reasons that you are also aware of. Under the Country Liberal Government they are conducted within a strict budget framework to ensure they are cost effective.