LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY WRITTEN QUESTION

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to Minister for the Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment

Office of Commissioner for Public Employment

- 1. The Office was given an extra \$1.7 million dollars in 2003/04 (final estimate compared with original budget), an increase in spending of about 40 percent.
 - (a) Why the increase.
 - (b) What was it spent on.
- 2. The 2004/05 budget allocates a similar larger amount to the Office.
 - (a) Will the office continue to cost that much more than it did in the past.

ANSWER

- 1. (a) The increase was due to:
 - The Remote Workforce Development Strategy
 - The NT Fire Service Review; and
 - DCIS notional charges.
 - (b) The increase in expenditure matched the related expenses incurred for the revenue received.
- 2. (a) Both Remote Workforce Development Program and DCIS notional charges are ongoing.