

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Gerard Maley to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics:

Changes to Builders Registration

Earlier this year, your Government announced its intention to make university qualifications a condition of obtaining commercial building registration.

Questions:

1. Why has this change been included in the proposed building reform?
2. Do you accept that this proposal will exclude builders with many years of experience?
3. Industry is critical of these changes and your poor consultation. Have you already made up your mind despite these concerns?
4. Why wouldn't your government recognize the more traditional apprenticeship training model rather than the select few who have a university degree?
5. What evidence does government have that a university degree should be required for those who want to register a commercial building business?
6. When do you intend enforcing this new requirement on industry?