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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
Question on notice

Tuesday, 14 May 2013

31. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Local Government.

I refer the Minister to the airline Air Australia, which serviced regional Western Australia until it was placed into voluntary administration, and subsequent liquidation in March 2012, and I ask:

- (a) was any Western Australian Local Government authority, which was responsible for providing airport services to Air Australia, left with unpaid fees or charges owing from Air Australia;
- (b) if yes to (a), which local government authorities were compromised in this way, and what is the amount of their losses; and
- (c) if yes to (a), what action is being taken to recoup these losses?

Answer

- (a) Yes
- (b) Town of Port Hedland - \$170 015; and
Shire of Derby/West Kimberley - \$1 516 731
- (c) The town and shire are both unsecured creditors of Air Australia and neither can take any action to recoup losses.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. Chapple', is located below the answer text.