

**Question on Notice
No. 700
Asked on Tuesday, 22 May 2007**

MR HOBBS asked the Minister for Local Government, Planning and Sport (MR FRASER)—

QUESTION:

With reference to studies commissioned by his department—

Will he detail any studies, consultant's reports, research projects, analysis and reviews commissioned by the department detailing the effects of (a) retention of councils and loss of councils to metropolitan, regional or rural populations, (b) amalgamating councils on metropolitan, regional or rural populations and (c) amalgamating councils and employment on metropolitan, regional or rural populations?

ANSWER:

1 (a), (b) and (c): The results of all work and research undertaken by the Department of Local Government, Planning, Sport and Recreation in formulating the policy for local government reform are reflected in the publicly released document, *Local Government Reform: A New Chapter for Local Government in Queensland*.