

**Question on Notice**

**No. 950**

**Asked on Friday, 8 June 2007**

**Mrs Pratt** asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister Assisting the Premier in Western Queensland (Mr Shine) -

**QUESTION:**

With reference to the investigation and discontinued prosecution against Derek Sheppard, accused of operating a non accredited school –

- (1) What government resources were used in the investigation?
- (2) What was the total cost of this action?
- (3) Why was this case not pursued?
- (4) Will there be any compensation for Mr Sheppard?

**ANSWER:**

I am advised that applications for accreditation and associated investigations involving Non-State Schools are carried out by the Department of Education, specifically by the Non-State Schools Accreditation Board which is not part of my portfolio responsibilities.