

CORONAVIRUS — SCHOOL BUS SERVICES

311. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the ongoing impacts of COVID-19 and the announcement by the Minister for Education and Training that schools will officially close on Friday, 3 April, but will remain open for supervision purposes only for the week starting Monday, 6 April.

- (1) Will school bus services continue to operate as per normal until Friday, 9 April?
- (2) If no to (1), what arrangements has the minister implemented for those families whose children will continue to attend school until Friday, 9 April?
- (3) With schools likely to operate differently in term 2, will bus drivers and contractors continue to be paid according to existing contracts, or will alternative and adequate remuneration be provided?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank Hon Colin de Grussa for some notice of the question.

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) This matter is currently under consideration.