

AGRICULTURE — JOBS — HERE FOR WA CAMPAIGN

812. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to question without notice 750 asked on 12 August 2020 on the Here for WA jobs in agriculture campaign.

- (1) Of the 10 921 registered jobseekers, how many of those have applied for advertised positions and how many positions have they applied for?
- (2) Other than the initial registration, how many of the registered jobseekers have used the platform since registering?
- (3) How many registered jobseekers have been active on the platform in the last 30 days?

Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:

I thank the member for the question. I do apologise; I do not actually have an answer to the last part of that question, so I will get that for the member tomorrow.

- (1) As of 17 August 2020, there are 11 147 jobseeker profiles registered on the Studium database made up of Western Australian-based students, working holiday-makers and other jobseekers. Studium is not a jobs board or a recruitment agency. We have funded access to the database for Western Australian agribusiness employers so that they can search for and connect to candidates who match the skills or the locations of their vacancies.
- (2) All the jobseeker registrations have occurred since March 2020. The use of the platform is determined by the number of times an employer seeks to connect with a registered jobseeker. There have been 1 235 employer-generated connection requests, with 25 per cent of these requests being accepted by jobseekers to enter into discussions about job prospects. In a tight labour market, employers need to proactively pursue these interested jobseekers to complete the recruitment process.