

CORONAVIRUS — PUBLIC SECTOR — SENIOR POSITIONS

**542. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:**

I refer to senior leadership roles assisting government during the pandemic. Since the state of emergency started in 2020, how many people have been —

- (a) Acting Minister for Emergency Services;
- (b) acting Chief Health Officer;
- (c) acting Vaccine Commander;
- (d) acting Commissioner of Police; and
- (e) acting State Emergency Coordinator?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (a) In accordance with the Interpretation Act 1984, the Governor approves acting ministerial arrangements. Acting ministerial arrangements are published in the *Government Gazette*.
- (b)–(e) It is not unreasonable for public servants to access their industrial entitlements, such as sick or annual leave. Due to the limited time available, this information is unable to be provided today. If the member decides to put the question on notice, the Premier will endeavour to provide a response.

If I may, as Leader of the House, I indicate again that if the member wants a lot of data—if he wants the leave and the time taken for leave by public servants for over two years —

**Hon Colin de Grussa** interjected.

**Hon SUE ELLERY:** But that is why someone is acting in that position. It is going to take more than four hours to provide that material for the member.