

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMPENSATION

**169. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:**

I refer to the seminar held on 19 May 2017 by the John Curtin Institute of Public Policy on compensation for domestic violence, at which Adjunct Professor Robert Guthrie, assessor of criminal injuries compensation, advised that in 2014–15, about 45 per cent of the awards made by the assessors involved family and domestic violence.

- (1) What was the percentage for 2015–16?
- (2) How many full-time assessors are currently appointed?
- (3) How many part-time assessors are currently appointed?
- (4) Further to (2) and (3), what is the term of tenure for each assessor?
- (5) Noting that the number of applications outstanding has now grown to a level incapable of being finalised by the current assessors, is the Attorney General considering increasing the number of assessors, whether permanently or temporarily?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

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

As this question requires detailed research and consideration, the Attorney General kindly requests that the member place this question on notice.