

COMMUNITY SCHOOLS — BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

4225. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Education

- (1) Before the 2008 election, the Liberal Party said it would provide Community Schools with the autonomy to determine an effective behaviour management program that reflected the values of the local school and community, and that schools would not be constrained by a bureaucracy that was out of touch with the specific issues within a school community. Does the Minister agree that for this to happen, independent public schools would need to be exempted from Part 3, Division 5 of the *School Education Act 1999*?

Dr E. CONSTABLE replied:

- (1) Independent Public Schools as with all other government schools, have the autonomy to determine behaviour management programs that reflect the values of the local school community. Independent Public Schools are able to develop effective behaviour management within the current Act.