

EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY — COLLECTION

2750. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to the answer to Question On Notice No. 2295 and note that you failed to answer part (2) of that question and ask, given that you provided details of the amounts of ESL expenditure in each local government authority listed for the 2012–2013 financial year in Question On Notice No. 813 and Tabled Paper 616, can you now outline the same for the 2013–2014 financial year?

**Mr J.M. Francis replied:**

The Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) advises:

As advised to the Honourable Member in response to both LA QON 2295 and LA QON 813, the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) does not, and cannot match total ESL expenditure with geographical locations.

The expenditure information provided to the Member in response to LA QON 813 (b) related to the Local Government Grants Scheme (LGGS) which supports the operations of the volunteer Bush Fire Brigades and State Emergency Service Units.

Outlays under this scheme represent only a small portion of the Department's annual expenditure.

The approved allocation for the LGGS in 2013/14 totals \$25.702 million

[See tabled paper no 2028.] for details.