

KIDSPORT

219. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

For the minister's reference, this is question C135, which I put in last week.

I refer to the government's decision to reduce KidSport funding from \$200 to \$150 per child and to exclude the parents and guardians of scouts, girl guides and cadets from applying for the KidSport subsidy.

- (1) What was the public health and physical activity objective of the KidSport scheme as it was originally devised and how have these objectives changed?
- (2) How many KidSport vouchers have been used by scouts, girl guides and cadets for each year since the inception of the program and what was the financial value?
- (3) Further to (2) above, what is the corresponding level of KidSport voucher uptake for other sport and recreation purposes for each year since the inception of the program, and at what cost?
- (4) What savings does the government anticipate as a result of its decision to reduce the size of the subsidy by \$50 and to exclude scouts, girl guides and cadets from the scheme?
- (5) How many children involved in the scouts, girl guides and cadets are likely to be affected by this decision?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

- (1) It is to increase opportunities for young people aged five to 18 years from financially disadvantaged families to participate in sport and recreation in a club environment. The objectives of the program have not changed.
- (2) I seek leave to have the information, which is in tabular form, incorporated into *Hansard*.

Leave granted.

The following material was incorporated —

Question 2 – Attachment 1.

SCOUTS

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YEAR	VOUCHERS	AMOUNT
2011	1	\$200.00
2012	219	\$25,489.00
2013	476	\$45,505.00
2014	763	\$71,976.00
2015	879	\$89,922.67
2016	809	\$154,139.79
2017	904	\$170,459.56
2018 (until 22 March 18)	405	\$59,616.00
TOTAL	4,456	\$617,308.02

GIRL GUIDES

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YEAR	VOUCHERS	AMOUNT
2011	2	\$400.00
2012	108	\$12,938.00
2013	144	\$14,617.00
2014	179	\$14,853.00
2015	174	\$17,004.00
2016	187	\$35,770.00
2017	262	\$47,682.00
2018 (until 22 March 18)	114	\$16,950.00
TOTAL	1,170	\$160,214

CADETS

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YEAR	VOUCHERS	AMOUNT
2011	0	0

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2012	7	\$711.00
2013	13	\$1,305.00
2014	31	\$2,860.00
2015	23	\$2,120.00
2016	52	\$8,891.82
2017	55	\$9,830.00
2018 (until 22 March 18)	40	\$5,735.00
TOTAL	221	\$31,452.82

- (3) Obtaining the information is not possible in the time required, and I therefore ask the honourable member to place this question on notice.
- (4) (a)–(b) The answer is zero. The reduction in the subsidy is not a savings measure, but to accommodate the 10 to 20 per cent annual growth in the program.
- (5) Eligible children involved in scouts, girl guides and cadets are still able to receive KidSport vouchers to use towards participation in an eligible sport and club.