

LOTTERYWEST — CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**485. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:**

I refer to the role of the Premier and the Premier's office in the sacking of the former chief executive officer of Lotterywest, Mr Paul Andrew.

- (1) Has the Premier or staff of his office, or Mr Foster, the director general of the Department of the Premier and Cabinet, played any role in the removal of senior executive service officers from the public sector since the election of the Labor government on 11 March 2017?
- (2) If yes to (1), how many senior executive service officers were involved, and on what dates did this occur?
- (3) Can the Premier list the names of those senior executive service officers that he, his office or Mr Foster played a role in removing from the public sector?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

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

- (1)–(3) Firstly, I reject the premise of the question. As the member should be aware, the management of the senior executive service is a matter for the Public Sector Commissioner. All directors general have been asked to meet the government's commitment to reduce the SES by 20 per cent, noting that the SES cohort grew from 391 to 500 between 2009 and 2016. Mr Foster, in his role as director general of the Department of the Premier and Cabinet, is responsible for the employment of SES officers in his department.