

TRAIN SERVICES — INCIDENTS

**387. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to question on notice 5544.

- (1) Does the minister stand by his answer that there that there were no reported injuries for any of the accidents that occurred; and, if not, why not?
- (2) Did any of the accidents result in trains being removed from service for more than a week?
- (3) If yes to (2) —
  - (a) on what date was the train removed from service; and
  - (b) on what date did the train return to service?

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:**

This is a curious situation that I have here. I would normally do this a little later, but I will do it now because it relates to the same matter. Firstly, I have a statement here that I have been asked to provide by the Minister for Transport. It states —

Mr President

On Wednesday, 5 May 2012 the Hon Ken Travers asked question on notice 5544 regarding accidents that have occurred between trains. I seek leave to table clarification and have it incorporated into *Hansard*:

There is a minor change —

**The PRESIDENT:** Just stop there. The minister has tabled that document and seeks leave to have it incorporated into *Hansard*. Is leave granted?

Leave granted. [See paper 4656.]

The following material was incorporated —

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**The Public Transport Authority advises:**

- (1)
  - (a) One
  - (b) Nil
  - (c) Six
- (2)
  - (a) Human error, mechanical issues.
  - (b) No injuries in addition to those reported in the previously tabled answer to question on notice 5543.
  - (c) No to minor damage on most, but one incident included damage to two rear railcars.
  - (d) Approximately \$120,000 plus tax where applicable.

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**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN:** I thank the house. It seemed an appropriate time to present that, Mr President.

In relation to the current question—this has nothing to do with that question that was just delivered, even though both of the member's questions relate to the same matter—I am advised by the Minister for Transport that the member is advised that the information cannot be provided in the time frame available, and the member is asked to place the question on notice.