

TAXI INDUSTRY BOARD — OVERSEAS TRIP

3212. Hon Ken Travers to the minister representing the Minister for Transport

In relation to the overseas trip currently underway by members of the Taxi Industry Board, I ask;

- (1) Who are the members of the taxi industry board currently overseas?
- (2) For what purpose is the overseas trip?
- (3) What locations/destinations are being visited?
- (4) What is the structure of the taxi industry in each of those locations?
- (5) What is the expected cost of the trip?
- (6) Will the members be filing a public report, and if yes, will the Minister table the report?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

- (1) From 20 November to 5 December 2010, Dr Martin West and Mr Tony Carter are the Board members that travelled overseas.
- (2) Study tour to examine taxi regulation and taxi industry experiences in three European cities.
- (3) Dublin, Amsterdam(The Hague) and Stockholm.
- (4) The Taxi Industry Board will provide a report to me. This will include commentary on the structure of the taxi industry in each of these locations.
- (5) \$49 877.04
- (6) I will consider the report from the Taxi Industry Board when making decisions about the future of the industry. Once I have read the report I will determine whether to make the report public.