

GREYHOUNDS

1233. Hon LYNN MacLAREN to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Racing and Gaming:

- (1) How many greyhounds whelped in 2014–2015 went on to race?
- (2) Since 20 October 2015, how many greyhounds were rehomed —
 - (a) by the Greyhounds as Pets program;
 - (b) by other organisations; and
 - (c) directly by breeders or trainers?
- (3) How many were euthanised —
 - (a) because they were not suitable for racing;
 - (b) because they were deemed unfit for rehoming; and
 - (c) because of training or track injuries?
- (4) How many greyhounds have been imported from and exported to other states since 2012?

Hon COL HOLT replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

- (1) As at 31 October 2016, 587 greyhounds were whelped, 207 of which raced or participated in qualifying trials. Many pups whelped in the latter part of that year were still too young to race.
- (2) As at 31 October 2016 —
 - (a) 163 greyhounds were retired to GAP;
 - (b) 274 greyhounds were retired to other adoption agencies; and
 - (c) 124 greyhounds were retired as a pet to owners, trainers or third parties and 55 greyhounds were retired for breeding purposes.
- (3) For the period from 20 October 2015 to 31 October 2016 the figures are —
 - (a) 96;
 - (b) 88; and
 - (c) 187.
- (4) From the OzChase platform, which Western Australia joined in November 2013, eight greyhounds were exported from Western Australia in 2012 and 294 were imported. In 2013, 26 were exported and 450 were imported. In 2014, 47 were exported and 449 imported. In 2015, 58 were exported and 428 were imported. As at 31 October 2016, 53 have been exported and 398 have been imported.