

LANDGATE — FLOOD MAPPING

120. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Lands:

- (1) Is the minister aware that the use of new local government flood mapping data has significantly increased home insurance premiums for people living near the Collie River in Eaton?
- (2) Has Landgate changed the way it assesses or compiles flood-mapping data; and, if so, when did this change take place and what does it involve?
- (3) How many Eaton properties are built in locations designated by Landgate's mapping as lying in the one-in-100-year flood fringe?

Hon COL HOLT replied:

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

- (1) No.
- (2) No. Landgate has recently revamped its web page for a suite of satellite remote sensing-based products, including FloodMap, which make this service easier to find and access. The difference between the FloodMap service accessible via the new website and the one-in-100-year flood line is that FloodMap provides an observation of current flood events based on satellite images. The one-in-100-year flood line is a calculated flood line based on expert understanding of flood behaviour, including weather events, soil drainage and landforms. The Department of Water is the custodian of the one-in-100-year flood fringe. Landgate is the custodian of the FloodMap service.
- (3) The Department of Water is the custodian of the one-in-100-year flood line. Landgate has no control over custodial datasets such as this.