

EMERGENCY SERVICES — VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS — COMPENSATION SCHEME

5569. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to ongoing calls for a compensation scheme for volunteer firefighters, and I ask:

- (a) has a study been undertaken into what a future compensation scheme would look like; and
- (b) if yes:
 - (i) what proposed scenarios were looked at; and
 - (ii) what was the cost of each?

Mr J.M. Francis replied:

The Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) advises:

- (a) The compensation scheme is set out in the Firefighters and Emergency Volunteers Legislation Amendment (Compensation) Bill 2016 which was introduced by the Minister on 11 May 2016;
- (b) (i)–(ii) These matters will be addressed during Parliament.