

MAIN ROADS AMENDMENT BILL 2023

850. Hon BEN DAWKINS to the minister representing the Minister for Lands:

I refer the minister to the Main Roads Amendment Bill 2023.

- (1) Is the minister or the Department of Lands aware that the powers being granted under the Main Roads bill usurp the minister's powers to deal with crown land under the Land Administration Act?
- (2) Has the minister or the Department of Lands received any advice about this; and, if so, will the minister table that advice to Parliament?
- (3) Is the minister concerned about public roads being used for private commercial purposes and Main Roads resuming land for private commercial purposes?
- (4) Is the Main Roads bill another example of bureaucrats using the government's control of both houses as an opportunity for a power grab?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Lands.

- (1) The member is mistaken. The amendments in division 2 of the Main Roads bill do not usurp the Minister for Lands' powers to deal with crown land under the Land Administration Act 1997.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3)–(4) These questions should be directed to the Minister for Transport.