

BUILDING AND ENERGY — BUILDER DEREGISTRATION

1300. Hon STEVE MARTIN to the Minister for Commerce:

I refer to Western Australia's building industry regulator, Building and Energy.

- (1) Does Building and Energy maintain data on builder deregistration; and, if so, how many residential builders have been deregistered this calendar year?
 - (a) How many residential builders have been refused a renewal of their registration this calendar year?
 - (b) For those in (a), what are the potential reasons for refusal?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1) Yes. The registration scheme for building practitioners and building contractors does not distinguish between residential and commercial builders. The data includes all persons or entities deregistered and refused a renewal in 2023, a proportion of which will be involved in residential building. A total of 610 building practitioner and building contractor licences have been deregistered this calendar year.
 - (a) Eleven total building practitioner and building contractor licences were refused renewal this calendar year.
 - (b) Potential reasons for refusal include, for building practitioners, a failure to meet requirements related to experience, qualifications or fitness and propriety; and, for building contractors, a failure to meet financial, management, supervision requirements, having an ineligible nominated supervisor, having unpaid building service debts or where individuals, partnerships and companies, including directors, have experienced an insolvency event.