

COMMUNITIES — EDUCATION AND CARE REGULATORY UNIT

1643. Hon Donna Faragher to the minister representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education:

I refer to the Department of Communities Education and Care Regulatory Unit, and I ask:

- (a) how many requests have the Department received from childcare providers for registration in 2022 and 2023 (to date);
- (b) what was the total number of enrolments in 2022 and 2023 (current) for both government and non-government schools in;
- (c) of the requests referred to in (a), how many were approved; and
- (d) how many childcare providers had their registration suspended by the Department in 2022 and 2023 (to date)?

Hon Jackie Jarvis replied:

- (a) The Department of Communities (Communities) advises: In 2022, 109 provider approval applications were received. In 2023*, 131 provider approval applications have been received.
- (b) Please refer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 1642.

Communities advises:

- (c) In 2022, 32; in 2023*, 30.
- (d) In 2022 and 2023*, Communities did not suspend any approved providers.

Notes:

* As at 30 September.