

PUBLIC SECTOR WAGES POLICY

**255. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the minister representing the Treasurer:**

I refer to my question without notice 195 asked on 19 March 2024 to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Industrial Relations on the government's wages policy.

- (1) How was the global provision of \$2.8 billion for financial years 2023–24 to 2026–27 calculated?
- (2) What critical financial assumptions were inherent in arriving at this figure?
- (3) What is the breakdown of the global figure into financial years 2023–24, 2024–25, 2025–26 and 2026–27?
- (4) Is the \$2.8 billion figure a fixed amount or merely a fluid guess?

**Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:**

(1)–(4) I table page 157 of the *Government mid-year financial projections statement 2023–24* —

It is not appropriate to disclose the assumptions used to arrive at the global provision, so as not to stifle the government's good faith bargaining.

[See paper [3047](#).]