

CORONAVIRUS — MANDATORY VACCINATION POLICY

1071. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to the government's announcement on 5 November of a plan to have a plan for the opening of the state from COVID restrictions, called the WA safe transition plan, and to the answers to questions without notice 896 and 934 regarding mandatory vaccinations.

- (1) How will businesses and business owners in Western Australia be assessed for compliance with vaccine mandates?
- (2) What government departments will oversee that compliance?
- (3) Will businesses be assessed only if an outbreak occurs related to their business?
- (4) If no to (3), what ongoing assessment will occur?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1)–(4) The premise of the question is incorrect. The WA safe transition plan does not relate to compliance with mandatory vaccination directions. The Chief Health Officer's directions, which are publicly available on the WA government website—I note that we were not asked for documents—detail requirements associated with the mandatory vaccination policy. The Department of Health is responsible for compliance with the public health directions.