

ANNUAL REPORTS — TABLING

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

I refer to the tabling of annual reports for the 2021–22 year for government departments, agencies and entities.

- (1) How many government departments, agencies and entities have tabled their annual reports on time?
- (2) How many government departments, agencies or entities have requested an extension of time to table their annual reports?
- (3) What is the decision-making criteria or matrix to determine whether a department, agency or entity is granted an extension of time?
- (4) Will the minister table the decision-making assessment criteria or matrix for the house?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1)–(5) Agencies subject to the Financial Management Act 2006 are required to table their annual reports in both houses of Parliament in accordance with section 61 of the act. Section 65 of the act outlines the procedures that apply when an annual report is unable to be tabled within the prescribed period, including the provision of notice by the relevant minister. Most annual reports that are tabled late are due to delays in receiving the audit opinion from the Auditor General. The Auditor General advises agencies when her office can complete audits.