

LOCAL GOVERNMENT — CARAVAN PARKS AND CAMPING GROUNDS REGULATIONS 1997 —  
EXEMPTIONS

1285. Hon Martin Aldridge to the minister representing the Minister for Local Government:

- (1) I refer to the *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997* and ask, for each of the past three years, how many exemptions have been granted to allow caravans, tiny homes, or pod-homes to remain on private property for a length of time greater than 3 months?
- (2) What guidelines, policies or protocols does the Minister take into account when considering these exemptions, and please table any relevant information?
- (3) Have any exemptions been granted in relation to temporary accommodation in the Kimberley for residents impacted by flooding earlier this year, and if so, how many.?
- (4) Has the Minister for Emergency Services made representation to you regarding the need to update regulations to exempt temporary accommodation following natural disasters – such as the caravans supplied by the Government following Cyclone Seroja or temporary accommodation in the aftermath of the Kimberley flooding?
- (5) If yes to (4), please table any correspondence.?

**Hon Jackie Jarvis replied:**

- (1)–(2) The Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds (CPCG) Regulations 1997 (the Regulations) provides for the approval of a caravan to be occupied on private property up to three months at the discretion of a Local Government Area (LGA). The Minister has approved in total 42 properties for temporary accommodation from three to twelve months under the Regulations as follows; 3 in 2020; 12 in 2021; 24 in 2022 and 3 in 2023.

Generally, where the LGA supports the application and confirms there are no health concerns, the Minister has approved all applications.

Where a natural disaster or otherwise occurs, the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries works with the LGA to progress applications as a matter of priority.

- (3) To date, no Ministerial approvals have been sought as local governments may provide exemptions for up to 3 months.
- (4)–(5) N/A