

STATE BUDGET 2022–23 — ASSET MAINTENANCE FUND

612. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the minister representing the Treasurer:

I refer to page 269 of budget paper No 3 of the 2023–24 state budget, which lists the creation of a new \$250 million asset maintenance fund as a new special purpose account.

- (1) What exact assets will be maintained by this fund?
- (2) Which government departments, trading enterprises or entities will be able to access these funds?
- (3) Why are these departments or entities not able to maintain their assets within their existing budgets?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following answer is provided on behalf of the Treasurer.

- (1) They are state government–owned assets, including schools, hospitals, police stations, courts and cultural and entertainment venues.
- (2) Allocations from the asset maintenance fund are subject to future budget and midyear review processes.
- (3) The asset maintenance fund provides an opportunity to prioritise maintenance of state government–owned assets in addition to existing efforts.