

AGRICULTURE AND FOOD — EXOTIC BIRD SPECIES — IMPORTATION

591. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to the importation of exotic bird species into Western Australia from interstate and overseas, and I ask:

- (a) how many applications has the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) received to import exotic bird species currently prohibited in Western Australia in 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021;
- (b) what is the current average length of time taken for processing such applications;
- (c) how many of the applications referenced in part (a) were successful and for what species;
- (d) how many of the applications are ongoing or outstanding, and in each case what period of time has elapsed since the application was received;
- (e) how many of the applications referenced in part (a) were unsuccessful and for what species; and
- (f) what reasons were given for the failure of applications identified in part (e)?

Hon Alannah MacTiernan replied:

- (a) 20 – noting applications may be for multiple species.
- (b) The average time from receipt of a completed application is 12 weeks.
- (c) 13. Please refer to tabled paper for more information.
- (d) 3:
 - (a) Case 1 – received April 2020
 - (b) Case 2 – received April 2021
 - (c) Case 3 – received June 2021.
- (e)–(f) [See tabled paper no [1254](#).]