

PUBLIC SECTOR COMMISSION — INTEGRITY REVIEW

912. Hon Dr BRIAN WALKER to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I thank the Premier for the answer that he provided to my question without notice 647, asked and answered on Tuesday, 16 August 2022, regarding the Public Sector Commissioner. In the hope of further clarification, when was the last occasion, if at all, on which the Premier directed the commissioner in each of the limited circumstances outlined in that previous reply—that is, “undertaking reviews, inquiries and machinery-of-government changes”?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

The last occasion on which the Premier directed the Public Sector Commissioner in the circumstances listed in the answer to question without notice 647 was on 19 July 2021, to conduct a review of employment practices in Western Australian public prisons pursuant to section 24B(2) of the Public Sector Management Act 1994. The Premier has not made a direction to the commissioner under section 24H(2) of the act in relation to the undertaking of inquiries, or under section 35(4) of the act in relation to machinery-of-government changes.