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LANDGATE — LAND REGISTRATION SYSTEM

784. Hon WILSON TUCKER to the minister representing the Minister for Lands:

I refer to my question 757 asked yesterday, to which I received an answer that was seemingly copied and pasted from the answer to my previous question 579 asked on 18 May.

I draw to the minister's attention the fact that my question of yesterday asked specifically for the yearly average turnaround times for the documents listed on Landgate's own website under the heading "Lodgement turnaround times". As Landgate already publishes turnaround times on its website, why is it deemed too difficult for Landgate to provide this same information to Parliament?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Lands.

The average lodgement turnaround times publicly available on Landgate's website, as referenced by the honourable member, are calculated weekly based on the estimated time taken from date of lodgement to the time documents are assigned to an examiner of titles. As these figures are point-in-time estimates, they are distinct from the historical average turnaround times for each document type for each year from 2017 to 2023. As previously advised, there are 82 document types within the land registration system, with more than two million documents received over the period from 2017 to 2023. To answer the honourable member's question, Landgate would have to examine and extract data for the period 2017 to 2023 on all 82 document types, which is not considered a reasonable use of government resources.