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2373. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister for Road Safety
2374. Ms S.F. McGurk to the Minister for Tourism
2375. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health
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2377. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Culture and the Arts
2378. Dr A.D. Buti to the Minister representing the Attorney General
2379. Dr A.D. Buti to the Minister for Planning
2380. Ms L.L. Baker to the Minister for Transport

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2381. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Health:

I refer to the fact that the Broome Women's Refuge does not have a counselor either on site or even visit the centre. There is a 6 week waitlist to see a counselor at Boab Mental Health in Broome. I ask:

- (a) are there any Department of Health funds that could be utilised for counselors to service the women's refuge in Broome to support the clients, women, children and victims of domestic violence who frequent the centre; and
- (b) what funding is available to extend this further so that women in all refuges throughout the Kimberley region have easy access to counseling services within the refuge centre?

2382. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Health:

I refer to the fact the Federal Government is cutting funds for preventative health in Western Australia by \$16 million over the forward estimates, along with cuts to the National Health Reform agreements, and I ask:

- (a) what steps has the State Government taken to address these cuts and shortfalls;
- (b) will preventative health programs be affected in the Kimberley;
- (c) if yes to (b), which programs will be impacted, and how much will each lose; and
- (d) if Kimberley programs are impacted will the State Government make up the shortfall?

2383. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Corrective Services:

Can the Minister please outline the number of children in the Kimberley and Pilbara who were registered with Juvenile Justice by year (1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014), including their age category, gender, locality, category of crime, and by Aboriginal status?

2384. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for State Development:

I refer to the Canning Basin State Agreement, and I ask:

- (a) how many local employees have Buru engaged;

- (b) how many indigenous employees have Buru engaged;
- (c) how many Kimberley Aboriginal employees have Buru engaged; and
- (d) how many local businesses have been awarded contracts by Buru?

2385. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

I refer to the Dampier Peninsular Sport and Recreation Strategic Plan 2011, and I ask:

- (a) what recommendations from that report have been implemented so far;
- (b) what plans does the Government have to implement the balance of the recommendations; and
- (c) will the Government be providing funding for a swimming pool at Beagle Bay community, and if yes, when, and if not, why not?

2386. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Culture and the Arts:

The Kimberley Aboriginal Law and Cultural Centre (KALACC) receives \$79,005 from the Department of Culture and the Arts through multiyear arrangements. In relation to this I ask:

- (a) what plans does the Government have to support the ongoing future and development of KALACC and its projects such as Yirriman; and
- (b) how much funding will KALACC receive from the State Government for each of the following financial years:
 - (i) 2013-2014;
 - (ii) 2014-2015;
 - (iii) 2015-2016;
 - (iv) 2016-2017; and
 - (v) 2017-2018?

2387. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the fact that the Department of Housing regards houses containing asbestos as safe and does not consider asbestos a valid reason for someone on the Homeswest waitlist to refuse a property, and I ask:

- (a) how many Department of Housing properties in the Kimberley contain asbestos;
- (b) at what level of damage to a property does the Department of Housing consider a house containing asbestos unsafe;
- (c) how frequently are properties containing asbestos inspected to ensure the material does not pose a threat to the tenants;
- (d) are there any plans to replace public housing stock that contains asbestos; and
- (e) if yes to (d) how many properties will be replaced and what money has been allocated to this project over the forward estimates?

2388. Ms S.F. McGurk to the Minister for Police:

(1) For 2011:

- (a) what was the total number of verified offences that were reported as occurring at a bus/train station in Fremantle; and
- (b) how many of the offences in (a) were reported and what was the sanction rate?

(2) For 2013:

- (a) what was the total number of verified offences that were reported as occurring at a bus/train station in Fremantle; and

- (b) how many of the offences in (a) were reported and what was the sanction rate?

2389. Mr P.B. Watson to the Minister representing the Minister for Education:

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that the school breakfast club at Yakamia Primary School will not continue after 30 June 2014?
- (2) What is the reason for this program ceasing?
- (3) Will any other schools in the Albany district have their breakfast club cease, and if so, what are these schools?

2390. Mr P.B. Watson to the Minister representing the Minister for Education:

- (1) Can the Minister please advise if the Great Southern Liaison Officer based in Albany will be employed after 30 June 2014?
- (2) If no to (1), what is the reason for this action?
- (3) Will a Liaison Officer still be available to service the SVP in the Great Southern, and if so, where will they be based?

2391. Ms J.M. Freeman to the Minister representing the Attorney General:

I refer to the Subiaco Football Club's 'Learn Today... Lead Tomorrow' and 'Success through Sport' programs, funded through the Criminal Property Confiscation Scheme, and I ask:

- (a) can the Attorney General confirm that the Club's funding for these programs will be exhausted this month and has not been renewed;
- (b) if yes to (a), why is the Club required to alter its programs to be eligible for further funding from the Criminal Property Confiscation Scheme despite the clear success of the programs;
- (c) if no to (a), will the Attorney General undertake to investigate the matter, liaise with his Cabinet colleagues, and secure additional funding for the programs;
- (d) if no to (c), why not; and
- (e) how are the funds in the Criminal Property Confiscation Scheme allocated, for example, is there discretion to continue funding the Subiaco Football Club's programs from this funding?

2392. Ms J.M. Freeman to the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

I refer to the Subiaco Football Club's 'Learn Today... Lead Tomorrow' and 'Success through Sport' programs, and I ask:

- (a) is the Minister aware of these successful programs;
- (b) is the Minister aware that the previous funding for this program from the Criminal Property Confiscation Scheme was exhausted in May 2014 and has not been renewed;
- (c) can the Minister outline what funding is being allocated to the Subiaco Football Club to ensure these programs continue;
- (d) if no funding is being allocated for the continuation of these programs, will the Minister for Sport undertake to investigate the matter, liaise with his Cabinet colleagues, and secure additional funding for the programs; and
- (e) if no to (d), why not?

2393. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Treasurer:

I refer to the decision of the Government to not include a long-term (10 year) projection of net debt in the 2014-2015 Budget as it did with the 2013-2014 Budget and the Treasurer's comments during Budget Estimates on 21 May 2014 that the long term projections contained in the 2013-2014 Budget

‘makes certain assumptions that the Government has not made about the continuation of borrowing beyond the forward estimates’, and I ask:

- (a) what specifically has changed in respect of the Government’s assumptions about the continuation of borrowing beyond the forward estimates;
- (b) do any of these changes concern the cost of debt, and if so, what are those changes and what impact do these assumptions have on the total cost of debt;
- (c) what were the current account deficit assumptions contained in the long-term projections in the 2013-2014 Budget; and
- (d) what were all the assumptions made by Treasury in the long-term projections contained in the 2013-2014 Budget?

2394. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Treasurer:

In the 2012-2013 Government Mid-Year Financial Projections Statement, the Government changed the methodology by which iron ore royalties were calculated by moving from an assumption that the quarterly effective price of iron ore reverted to the long-run average in the final month of the budget outyear to an assumption that this reversion would happen over the following 8-10 years. In relation to this, I ask:

- (a) does the Treasurer accept that this change in methodology has the effect of slowing the decline of the iron ore price to the long-run average (assuming the price struck for the Budget year is higher than the long-run average;
- (b) does the Treasurer accept that, for the purposes of the 2014-2015 State Budget, the iron ore price assumptions across the forward estimates are higher than what they would be if the previous methodology still applied (that is, that the iron ore price reverted to its long-run average by the final month of the budget outyear); and
- (c) what would be the assumed iron ore price across the forward estimates assuming the previous methodology still applied (that is, that the iron ore price reverted to its long-run average by the final month of the budget outyear)?

2395. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister for Corrective Services:

I refer to the Department of Corrective Service’s policy that prisoners (even of a minor conviction) are transported in hand and ankle cuffs, and I ask:

- (a) when was this policy implemented;
- (b) how many injuries have arisen from this method during that period; and
- (c) if there have been injuries, can the Minister please detail them?

PETER J. McHUGH

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
