

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 56

Wednesday, 12 March 2014

Questions appear according to the date on which notice was delivered.
When a question has been answered it is removed from the postponed list.

POSTPONED QUESTIONS

Notice Given ***Thursday, 12 December 2013***

- 689. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Forestry
- 690. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
- 693. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
- 694. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development

Notice Given ***Tuesday, 18 February 2014***

- 696. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing
- 697. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
- 698. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Regional Development
- 699. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Fisheries
- 700. Hon Robin Chapple to the Attorney General
- 701. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 703. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 704. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 705. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 707. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 708. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 709. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Lands
- 710. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Postponed Questions

- 711. Hon Robin Chapple to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Road Safety
- 712. Hon Alanna Clohesy to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
- 713. Hon Alanna Clohesy to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
- 714. Hon Robin Chapple to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Emergency Services
- 715. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Fisheries
- 716. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- 717. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 718. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 719. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 720. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Attorney General
- 721. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Disability Services
- 722. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 723. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Disability Services
- 724. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Mental Health
- 725. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Mental Health
- 726. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Education
- 727. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 728. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 729. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 730. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 731. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 732. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 733. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 734. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 735. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 736. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 738. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 740. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Commerce
- 742. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Forestry
- 745. Hon Darren West to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 746. Hon Darren West to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 747. Hon Darren West to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 748. Hon Darren West to the Minister for Agriculture and Food

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Postponed Questions***Notice Given*** ***Wednesday, 19 February 2014***

- 750. Hon Kate Doust to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police
- 751. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Commerce
- 752. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Forestry
- 755. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning
- 756. Hon Samantha Rowe to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- 757. Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 758. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Forestry

Notice Given ***Thursday, 20 February 2014***

- 759. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 760. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
- 762. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing
- 763. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing
- 764. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing
- 765. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing
- 766. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing

Notice Given ***Tuesday, 25 February 2014***

- 767. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 768. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 769. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Fisheries
- 770. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 771. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 772. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 773. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 774. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 775. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 776. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 777. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Postponed Questions

780. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food

Notice Given **Wednesday, 26 February 2014**

782. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

783. Hon Alanna Clohesy to the Minister for Disability Services

784. Hon Ken Travers to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Corrective Services

Notice Given **Thursday, 27 February 2014**

785. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

786. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Mental Health

787. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

788. Hon Alanna Clohesy to the Minister for Disability Services

789. Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Corrective Services

790. Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson to the Attorney General

791. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

792. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning

Notice Given **Tuesday, 11 March 2014**

793. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

794. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection

795. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection

796. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

797. Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing

798. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

799. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

800. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

801. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

802. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

803. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

804. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

805. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

806. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

807. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

808. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

809. Hon Ken Travers to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Postponed Questions

- 810. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 811. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 812. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 813. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 814. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 815. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 816. Hon Ken Travers to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police
- 817. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 818. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 819. Hon Ken Travers to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police
- 820. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 821. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 822. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 823. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 824. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 825. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 826. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 827. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 828. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 829. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 830. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 831. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 832. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 833. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 834. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 835. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 836. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Mental Health
- 837. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 838. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
- 839. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer
- 840. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer
- 841. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
- 842. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
- 843. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 844. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Postponed Questions

- 845. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 846. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 847. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 848. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 849. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 850. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- 851. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
- 852. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
- 853. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 854. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
- 855. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing
- 856. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Local Government
- 857. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning
- 858. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 859. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 860. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 861. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 862. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 863. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 864. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS ASKED TODAY

*Notice Given**Wednesday, 12 March 2014***865. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection:**

For all Hardship Utility Grant Scheme applicants processed by the Department for Child Protection and Family Support in January 2014, please provide the number of applications by:

- (a) postcode;
- (b) regional development region;
- (c) main source of income;
- (d) family status;
- (e) number of children;
- (f) gender;
- (g) age;
- (h) housing tenure; and
- (i) ethnicity?

866. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection:

For all Hardship Utility Grant Scheme applicants processed by the Department for Child Protection and Family Support in January 2014, please detail how many applicants were from:

- (a) Great Southern region;
- (b) South West region;
- (c) Goldfields region;
- (d) Murchison-Gascoyne region;
- (e) Wheatbelt region;
- (f) East Kimberley region;
- (g) West Kimberley region;
- (h) Pilbara region;
- (i) Peel region; and
- (j) Mid West region?

867. Hon Sue Ellery to the Minister for Education:

- (1) How many teachers have been de-registered by the Teachers Registration Board (TRB) in 2013 and 2014 to date?
- (2) What policies does the TRB have to ensure teachers are aware of their expiration period with regard to membership?
- (3) Has the TRB conducted any education or seminars on renewal of memberships or changes to professional learning obligations to teachers?
- (4) What is the current full time equivalent staffing of the TRB?
- (5) What is the budget in the 2013-14 financial year of the TRB?

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Questions Asked Today*Notice Given**Wednesday, 12 March 2014*

- (6) How many teachers are registered to date?
- (7) How many teachers are considered Probationary or Provisionally Registered Teachers?
- (8) What is the TRB doing to ensure teachers move from Probationary to Fully Registered status?

868. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer:

- (1) What is the total growth in education expenditure in the past ten years?
- (2) What has been the average annual rate of growth for education expenditure in the past five years?

869. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer:

- (1) What is the total growth in Police expenditure in the past ten years?
- (2) What has been the average annual rate of growth for the Police expenditure in the past five years?

870. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer:

- (1) What is the total growth in Health expenditure in the past ten years?
- (2) What has been the average annual rate of growth for Health expenditure in the past five years?

871. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to the former Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission (GEDC), Mr Robert Hicks, and his recent reported comments on ABC Radio that he was told to leave his position, and I ask:

- (a) if there was nothing in the Public Sector Commission's examination of the GEDC that referred to the need to terminate the CEO's contract, then on what basis was the decision made;
- (b) will Mr Hicks be paid out for the term of his contract and, if so, what is that amount;
- (c) will any additional payments be made to Mr Hicks and, if so, what is that amount; and
- (d) has Mr Hicks been offered another position within Government and, if so, which position?

872. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Mental Health:

I refer to the merger of the Drug and Alcohol Office and the Mental Health Commission, and I ask:

- (a) when does the Minister anticipate the merger will take place;
- (b) does the Minister expect the merged entity to provide cost savings to Government;
- (c) if yes to (b), what is the amount of the anticipated savings;
- (d) will there be any staff losses as a result of the merger; and
- (e) has the new Mental Health Commissioner already taken managerial responsibility for the Drug and Alcohol Office?

873. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Fisheries:

- (1) Is it correct that no Department of Fisheries employees were forced to undertake activities relating to the Department's drum lining program?

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Questions Asked Today

*Notice Given**Wednesday, 12 March 2014*

- (2) Is it correct that some Department of Fisheries employees declined to undertake activities relating to the Department's drum lining program?
- (3) If yes to (2), how many employees declined?
- (4) In relation to the answer to (3), please state what branch or branches of the Department these employees work for?

874. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Fisheries:

- (1) Is it standard procedure for officers on the Department of Fisheries boats, involved in the drum lining program, to take a photograph of the animals caught on the drum lines?
- (2) If no to (1), please describe under what circumstances photographs are taken, and why they are sometimes not taken?
- (3) How many individual animals were captured on drum lines off Leighton Beach on the morning of Thursday, 20 February 2014?
- (4) Were photographs taken of all the animals captured on drum lines off Leighton Beach on the morning of Thursday, 20 February 2014?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?
- (6) In order to address ongoing claims that a dolphin was captured on a drum line off Leighton Beach on the morning of Thursday, 20 February 2014, will the Minister table all photographs taken of all the animals captured on drum lines off Leighton Beach that morning?

875. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment:

- (1) Did the Environment Minister's Chief of Staff speak with the Minister for Environment about her conversations with the Chairman of the Conservation Commission concerning the Conservation Commission's appeal, in relation to the Mangles Bay Marina, and its withdrawal:
 - (a) if no to (1), why not; and
 - (b) if yes to (1), when?
- (2) Did the Environment Minister receive the briefing that the Chairman of the Conservation Commission provided to the Environment Minister via the Minister's Chief of Staff on 20 May 2013?
- (3) Is the Minister aware that his Chief of Staff exchanged at least five emails with the Chairman of the Conservation Commission in the four days leading to the withdrawal of the appeal?
- (4) Did any discussions between the Chairman of the Conservation Commission and the Minister's Chief of Staff involve any suggestion that the Conservation Commission withdraw its appeal?
- (5) Did any discussions between the Environment Minister and the Minister's Chief of Staff involve any suggestion that the Conservation Commission withdraw its appeal?
- (6) Will the Minister table the deliberations between the Minister's Office and the Conservation Commission concerning the Commission's appeal and its subsequent withdrawal?

876. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer:

- (1) What is the total growth in Corrective Services expenditure in the past ten years?

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Questions Asked Today*Notice Given Wednesday, 12 March 2014*

- (2) What has been the average annual rate of growth for Corrective Services expenditure in the past five years?

877. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection:

For all Hardship Utility Grant Scheme applicants processed by the Department for Child Protection in February 2014, please detail how many applicants were from:

- (a) Great Southern region;
- (b) South West region;
- (c) Goldfields region;
- (d) Murchison-Gascoyne region;
- (e) Wheatbelt region;
- (f) East Kimberley region;
- (g) West Kimberley region;
- (h) Pilbara region;
- (i) Peel region; and
- (j) Mid West region?

878. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection:

For all Hardship Utility Grant Scheme applicants processed by the Department for Child Protection and Family Support in February 2014, please provide the number of applications by:

- (a) postcode;
- (b) regional development region;
- (c) main source of income;
- (d) family status;
- (e) number of children;
- (f) gender;
- (g) age;
- (h) housing tenure; and
- (i) ethnicity?

879. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection:

For each of the utilities Synergy, Horizon, Water Corporation and Alinta, in relation to the Hardship Utilities Grant Scheme for February 2014:

- (a) what was the number of approved grants;
- (b) what was the total grant amount; and
- (c) what was the average amount paid?

NIGEL PRATT

Clerk of the Legislative Council