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2415. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

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2607. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Industry and Enterprise

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2665. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

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2736. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Tourism

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2746. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Education and Training

2752. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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- 2778. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Education and Training
- 2780. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Housing and Works
- 2781. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Corrective Services
- 2788. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for South West
- 2792. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Premier; Minister for Federal-State Relations; Trade; Innovation; Science; Public Sector Management
- 2793. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for State Development
- 2794. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; the Mid West and Wheatbelt; Great Southern
- 2796. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services; Community Safety; Water Resources; Sport and Recreation
- 2798. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Employment Protection; Housing and Works; Indigenous Affairs; Heritage; Land Information
- 2799. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2800. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Disability Services; Tourism; Culture and the Arts; Consumer Protection
- 2801. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Education and Training; South West
- 2802. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Energy; Resources; Industry and Enterprise

2803. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister representing the Minister for Regional Development; Fisheries; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne
2804. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Corrective Services; Small Business; Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal-State Relations
2806. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection; Communities; Women's Interests; Seniors and Volunteering

Wednesday, 17 October 2007

2842. Dr J.M. Woollard to the Minister for Education and Training
2849. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Education and Training

Thursday, 18 October 2007

2852. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for the Environment

Wednesday, 24 October 2007

2863. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

Thursday, 25 October 2007

2867. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Housing and Works

Tuesday, 13 November 2007

2869. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
2870. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Health
2871. Mr M.W. Trenorden to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food
2873. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Health
2875. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for the Environment
2876. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Disability Services
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2878. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Energy; Resources; Industry and Enterprise
2879. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Premier
2882. Mr C.J. Barnett to the Minister for Resources
2883. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister representing the Minister for Government Enterprises
2884. Ms K. Hodson-Thomas to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
2885. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Attorney General
2886. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Education and Training
2887. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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- 2890. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Health
- 2891. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Disability Services
- 2892. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Health
- 2893. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2894. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2895. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Water Resources
- 2896. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Water Resources
- 2897. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Energy
- 2898. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Water Resources
- 2899. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for the Environment
- 2900. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Health
- 2902. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Premier
- 2904. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2905. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for Resources
- 2906. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for the Environment
- 2907. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for the Environment

Thursday, 15 November 2007

- 2908. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2909. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Tourism

Tuesday, 20 November 2007

- 2910. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Premier; Minister for Federal-State Relations; Trade; Innovation; Science; Public Sector Management
- 2911. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for State Development
- 2912. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; the Mid West and Wheatbelt; Great Southern
- 2913. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister representing the Minister for Local Government; Racing and Gaming; Multicultural Interests and Citizenship; Government Enterprises; Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure; Goldfields-Esperance; Youth
- 2914. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services; Community Safety; Water Resources; Sport and Recreation
- 2915. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Attorney General; Minister for Health; Electoral Affairs
- 2916. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Employment Protection; Housing and Works; Indigenous Affairs; Heritage; Land Information
- 2917. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2918. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Disability Services; Tourism; Culture and the Arts; Consumer Protection

- 2919. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Education and Training; South West
- 2920. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Energy; Resources; Industry and Enterprise
- 2921. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister representing the Minister for Regional Development; Fisheries; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne
- 2922. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Corrective Services; Small Business; Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal-State Relations
- 2923. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for the Environment; Climate Change; Peel
- 2924. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection; Communities; Women's Interests; Seniors and Volunteering
- 2925. Mr J.J.M. Bowler to the Minister for Energy
- 2926. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Public Sector Management

Wednesday, 21 November 2007

- 2927. Ms K. Hodson-Thomas to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2928. Mr M.W. Trenorden to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2929. Mr M.J. Cowper to the Minister for Water Resources

Thursday, 22 November 2007

- 2930. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Energy
- 2931. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2932. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Consumer Protection
- 2933. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Community Safety
- 2934. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2935. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Employment Protection
- 2936. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for the Environment

Questions listed for this sitting: -

- 2937. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Corrective Services
- (1) In regard to Question Without Notice No. 664, answered by the Minister on 13 November 2007, I ask:
 - (a) what did the Minister discuss with the representatives from Alcoa during the meeting referred to in the abovementioned question;
 - (b) what did the Minister say to the representatives from Alcoa about the sale of the Karnet Prison Farm site; and
 - (c) if the Minister is not willing to sell this land to Alcoa or anyone else, why did the Department of Corrective Services, in its Strategic Asset Plan, state that it planned to replace Karnet by 2012 so that the site can be used for mining instead of custodial purposes?

- (2) In the Minister's answer to this question, it was also mentioned that at present, because of the Government's very successful law enforcement strategies, Western Australia's prison population is at an all-time high, and I ask is the Minister satisfied with this situation?
- (3) Considering the buoyant nature of our economy due to the commodities boom, doesn't this represent a failure of the current State Government to make sure that everyone benefits from the boom?

2938. Mr T.R. Sprigg to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that the Department of Education and Training recently awarded a contract worth \$250,000 for media monitoring services?
- (2) Can the Minister explain how this money improves the education provided to our children, particularly those stuck in transportable classrooms?
- (3) Why can't media monitoring services be provided by the 30-odd people working in the Government Media Office?

2939. Mr T.R. Sprigg to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) What steps has the Minister taken to ensure the health and safety of the 300 students at the Deanmore Primary School who are subject to unacceptably high levels of asbestos fibres and toxic smells?
- (2) Can the Minister guarantee that the school will be completely safe, and all classrooms fully operational, when the 2008 school year resumes?

2940. Mr T.R. Sprigg to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) How many students attending the various Clontarf Football Academies in Western Australia graduated from year 12 this year (2007)?
- (2) What percentage was this of the total number of students attending year 12 classes?
- (3) What is the percentage of year 12 classes attended by these students?
- (4) What is the statewide percentage of Aboriginal students who graduate from year 12 after having commenced it?

2941. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

- (1) How many infringements were issued under the *Road Traffic Code 2000*, during the most recent 12-month period for which data is readily available, in relation to:
 - (a) Regulation 12;
 - (b) Regulation 17 (1) (a);
 - (c) Regulation 17 (1) (b);
 - (d) Regulation 17 (1) (c);
 - (e) Regulation 17 (1) (d);
 - (f) Regulation 17 (1) (e);
 - (g) Regulations 24 through to 27 inclusive;
 - (h) Regulations 30 through to 32 inclusive;
 - (i) Part 7;
 - (j) Part 9;

- (k) Regulation 109;
 - (l) Regulation 110;
 - (m) Regulation 112;
 - (n) Regulation 113; and
 - (o) Regulations 122 through to 125 inclusive?
- (2) What is the total number of traffic infringements issued under the regulations for same 12-month period?

2942. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

- (1) During the latest 12-month period for which data is readily available, how many number plates were returned in accordance with Road Traffic (Licensing) regulation 22?
- (2) How many infringements were issued under this regulation for the same period?
- (3) What is the latest number or estimate of the number of vehicles that are no longer licensed but whose number plates have not been returned?

2943. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

- (1) How many infringements were issued under the *Road Traffic Act 1974*, during the most recent 12-month period for which data is readily available, in relation to:
 - (a) Section 60;
 - (b) Section 61;
 - (c) Section 62; and
 - (d) Sections 63 through to 64AC inclusive?
- (2) What is the total number of traffic infringements issued under the Act for the same 12 month-period?

2944. Dr J.M. Woollard to the Minister for Employment Protection

A 2004 report published within the *Australian Journal of Soil Research* stated that an audit of 6,500 premises in Western Australia with dangerous goods had revealed that 57 per cent of these premises contained underground storage tanks, approximately half of these tanks were situated within Perth, and 217 were leaking pollutants. These statistics were printed in the Government's 2007 *State of the Environment Report*. With reference to these reports, I ask the Minister:

- (a) what action has the Government undertaken since 2004 to remedy the problem of leaking underground storage tanks;
- (b) what standards or guidelines does the Government apply to underground storage tanks in order to reduce the possibility of leaks and groundwater contamination;
- (c) how often does the Government inspect underground storage tanks in:
 - (i) metropolitan Perth; and
 - (ii) rural and regional Western Australia;
- (d) when will the remaining leaking underground storage tanks identified in the 2004 report be fixed in:
 - (i) metropolitan Perth; and
 - (ii) rural and regional Western Australia; and

- (e) how many leaking underground storage tanks have been fixed since 2004 in:
 - (i) metropolitan Perth; and
 - (ii) rural and regional Western Australia?

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Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
