

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 216

Wednesday, 20 June 2012

Questions appear according to the date on which notice was delivered.
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POSTPONED QUESTIONS

Notice Given **Tuesday, 1 May 2012**

5513. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Housing
(SO107(2) response – 13 June 2012)

Notice Given **Wednesday, 2 May 2012**

5534. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
(SO107(2) response – 14 June 2012)

5538. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
(SO107(2) response – 14 June 2012)

5540. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
(SO107(2) response – 14 June 2012)

5545. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
(SO107(2) response – 14 June 2012)

Notice Given **Thursday, 3 May 2012**

5555. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
(SO107(2) response – 19 June 2012)

Notice Given **Wednesday, 16 May 2012**

5602. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport

Notice Given **Thursday, 17 May 2012**

5605. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State
Development

5608. Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm to the Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer

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- 5610. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Finance representing the Treasurer
- 5611. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Youth
- 5613. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Disability Services
- 5615. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 5616. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

Notice Given ***Wednesday, 23 May 2012***

- 5618. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water
- 5619. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water
- 5620. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water
- 5621. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

Notice Given ***Tuesday, 12 June 2012***

- 5622. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
- 5623. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
- 5624. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
- 5625. Hon Helen Bullock to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
- 5626. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
- 5627. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 5628. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Lands
- 5629. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
- 5630. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 5631. Hon Sue Ellery to the Minister for Child Protection
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- 5645. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Commerce
- 5646. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Education
- 5647. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 5648. Hon Sally Talbot to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 5649. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Forestry
- 5650. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Police
- 5651. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Energy
- 5652. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
- 5653. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water
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- 5660. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
- 5661. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water
- 5662. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
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- 5672. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
- 5673. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 5674. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
- 5675. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health
- 5676. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Education
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5688. Hon Kate Doust to the Minister for Commerce
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5697. Hon Sue Ellery to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Education
5698. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
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5700. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport
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5706. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Forestry
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5708. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
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- 5729. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
- 5730. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

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- 5731. Hon Sally Talbot to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 5732. Hon Sally Talbot to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Lands
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*Notice Given**Wednesday, 20 June 2012***5739. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport**

I refer to question on notice No. 5544, and ask —

- (1) Does the Minister stand by his answer that there were ‘no reported injuries’ for any of the accidents that occurred?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Did any of the accidents result in trains being removed from service for more than a week?
- (4) If yes to (3) —
 - (a) on what date was the train removed from service; and
 - (b) on what date did the train return to service?

5740. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to the use of Residue Storage Areas (RSAs) by ALCOA for the disposal of bauxite residue waste under its current licence, and I ask —

- (1) What environmental standards is ALCOA applying to the RSAs to ensure that there is no contamination of the soil and groundwater and no airborne pollution from residual toxic metals, substances and radioactive material stored in the RSAs?
- (2) Has the Department of Environment and Conservation carried out any compliance audits of the RSAs used by ALCOA?
- (3) If yes to (2) —
 - (a) at which sites and on what dates; and
 - (b) what were the findings of the audit at each site?
- (4) If no to (2), why not?
- (5) Is the Minister satisfied that ALCOA is using the most up-to-date technology for the disposal and treatment of bauxite residue?

5741. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Heritage

I refer to the allocation in the 2012-2013 State Budget of \$4.7 million in the form of a Treasury advance for the restoration of 57 Murray Street under the National Trust Asset Investment Program, and ask —

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that the allocation is conditional on the National Trust selling the cost equivalent of heritage places over the next four years to pay off this advance?
- (2) If no to (1), what are the conditions of the allocation?
- (3) If yes to (1), does the Minister support the sale of State heritage assets that are under the care and control of the National Trust?
- (4) If yes to (3), what role with the Minister play in this process, noting that he is supportive of it?

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5742. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Heritage

With regard to the review of the governance of the National Trust —

- (1) Will the Minister advise if he has met with the Chairman of the National Trust in the last two years?
- (2) Will the Minister advise if he has met with the Executive or Council of the National Trust in the last two years?
- (3) If the Minister has in fact not met with the Chairman, Executive, or Council of the National Trust in the last two years, how can the Minister claim to be properly fulfilling the requirements of his portfolio, which include responsibility for the National Trust in Western Australia?

5743. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Heritage

- (1) In his time as Minister responsible for the National Trust, how much new funding has the Minister secured for that organisation from the 2012-2013 State Budget?
- (2) Does the Minister regard this figure as being a responsible fulfilment of his portfolio duties to conserve State heritage assets?

5744. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Heritage

- (1) Can the Minister advise how many times he has jointly met with the two key statutory bodies for historic heritage (The Heritage Council and the National Trust) since he became Minister for Heritage?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister advise how his answer demonstrates the responsible fulfilment of his portfolio duties with regard to the regulation and protection of heritage in Western Australia?

5745. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Heritage

- (1) Does the Minister support the definition of cultural heritage as being ‘The things we value enough today to leave for future generations, covering historic, natural, and Aboriginal heritage.’?
- (2) If no to (1), how would the Minister define cultural heritage?
- (3) If yes to (1) —
 - (a) can the Minister explain why the Office of State Heritage which has been created under his leadership is so named given that it has no responsibility over Natural or Aboriginal heritage; and
 - (b) does the Minister support the naming of this Office when in fact it does not have responsibility for two of three definitions of cultural heritage as supported by the Minister?

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5746. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Heritage

- (1) Will the Minister advise how much money the Office of State Heritage distributes to private owners of listed Heritage places per annum?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Will the Minister advise the per annum funding for the National Trust for capital works?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Will the Minister advise the per annum funding for the National Trust for maintenance of State heritage assets?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Does the Minister believe the current balance of funding between private owners of heritage places and the National Trust is fair given that the National Trust is responsible for State assets to the value of nearly \$80 million?
- (8) If yes to (7), why?
- (9) If no to (7), why not?
- (10) Will the Minister advise as to what is the approved allocation of full time equivalent (FTE) public sector employees for the National Trust?
- (11) Does the Minister support payment from the State for the approved allocation of public sector employees?
- (12) If no to (11), why not?
- (13) If yes to (11), why?
- (14) Will the Minister advise as to what is current number of FTE positions at the National Trust funded by the State?
- (15) What action is the Minister taking to increase funding for the National Trust for the maintenance of State heritage assets?

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