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3843. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health

For each of the years from 1998 to 2010, how many abortions were performed following approval by the panel of medical practitioners appointed by the Minister, pursuant to 334 (7) (a) of the *Health Act 1911*?

3844. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Corrective Services

I refer to prisoners that were serving custodial sentences of two years or less for the calendar year 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010, and I ask -

- (1) How many of these prisoners undertook treatment programs?
- (2) What was the total number of programs these prisoners took?

3845. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

I refer to part (3) of question without notice No. 277, answered by the Minister for Environment on 12 April 2011, and funding for the preparation of a Draft Management Plan, as identified in section 4.5 of the Bump and Maitland Industrial Estates Agreement Implementation Deed, and ask -

Will the Minister provide an itemised expenditure list for this Draft Management Plan?

3846. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development

In reference to the agreement between the State Government, Woodside Energy Ltd and the Goolarabooloo Jabirr Jabirr (GJJ) native title claim group, and the Premier's statement of Friday 6 May 2011, I ask -

- (1) Can the Minister identify how the benefits valued at more than \$1.5 billion over the life of the Woodside project will be distributed, by dollar value to, -
 - (a) the establishment of businesses and investment;
 - (b) joint ventures;
 - (c) the building of homes for GJJ and other Indigenous people;
 - (d) education initiatives;
 - (e) release of land for housing and businesses;
 - (f) initiatives to address the social impacts of the precinct;
 - (g) direct employment through the construction and operation of the precinct;
 - (h) indirect employment through businesses maintaining and servicing the precinct;

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- (i) State Government (Port Authority and LandCorp) and proponent training programs;
 - (j) State Government (Port Authority and LandCorp) and proponent employment obligations and targets;
 - (k) contract and tendering opportunities for GJJ businesses;
 - (l) enable traditional owners of the Kimberley to support, promote and protect Aboriginal culture and heritage;
 - (m) reform of Indigenous land tenure on the Dampier Peninsula to allow for home ownership and create economic development opportunities; and
 - (n) creation and joint management of conservation areas with the State Government?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If yes to (1), -
- (a) when will these funds be available; and
 - (b) in which financial years?
- (4) When will the first funds be available to the Goolarabooloo Jabirr Jabirr (GJJ) native title claim group, and for which projects?
- (5) What component/s and dollar value of the more than \$1.5 billion are coming from either the State Government or Woodside JV partners?
- (6) Will the Premier and Minister for State Development table any agreement made in respect of the above matters between the state and either Woodside, the Kimberley Land Council or the Goolarabooloo Jabirr Jabirr (GJJ) native title claim group?
- (7) The Premier and Minister for State Development have stated that Woodside Energy Ltd is a foundation proponent at the precinct, does this agreement between the State Government, Woodside Energy Ltd and the Goolarabooloo Jabirr Jabirr (GJJ) native title claim group cover subsequent or other users of the precinct?
- (8) If yes to (7), will subsequent or other users be required to contribute to this announced package?
- (9) If yes to (8), how is the amount to be determined?
- (10) If no to (7), will separate negotiations be available to the Goolarabooloo Jabirr Jabirr (GJJ) native title claim group for subsequent or other users?
- (11) The Premier and Minister for State Development have stated that the site is for onshore processing of LNG and the separation of liquids in the Kimberley, does onshore processing of LNG and separation of liquids in the Kimberley include other developments such as Gas to Liquid processing, Production of Urea and other Fertilisers, the Manufacture of Explosive, or Ammonia plants?
- (12) If no to (11), why not?
- (13) If yes to (11), will separate negotiations be available to the Goolarabooloo Jabirr Jabirr (GJJ) native title claim group for subsequent or other processing plants?

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(14) If no to (13), why not?

3847. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development

In reference to a media statement issued by the Premier on Friday 6 May 2011 titled, 'Consent agreement reached for Kimberley LNG precinct', wherein the Premier stated, 'The Kimberley will not become an industrial site for heavy industry', I ask -

- (1) Will the Premier now categorically rule out the following heavy industries in the Kimberley, -
 - (a) large scale coal mining and coal seam gas extraction in the Fitzroy River catchment and the construction of a two million tonnes per annum (minimum) coal exporting facility in King Sound;
 - (b) dams on the Fitzroy River and its tributaries and the development of large scale irrigated agriculture in the Fitzroy catchment;
 - (c) copper mining at the McLarty Ranges near the Horizontal Falls and Iron Ore mining on Irvine Island; and
 - (d) bauxite mining on or around the Mitchell Plateau and the development of one or more alumina refineries and bauxite/alumina export ports on the Kimberley coast?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If the Premier will not rule out these heavy industry projects going ahead in the Kimberley, can he please explain how this position accords with the public commitment implicit in the media statement referred to above?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Given that the Department of State Development (DSD) is either a proponent or strong promoter of these and other industrial projects in the Kimberley will the Premier direct DSD to cease promoting the industrialization of the Kimberley?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Will the Premier direct DSD to cease the publication of reports and maps that identify and promote dozens of industrial projects across the Kimberley which, individually and collectively, constitutes industrialization of the region?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?

3848. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health

In reference to the presence of Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* on Barrow Island, I ask -

- (1) Is the Minister for Health aware that the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* has been identified on Barrow Island?
- (2) Has the Health Department or any other Agency ascertained the exposure risk to the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* to the current and ever expanding workforce on Barrow Island?

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- (3) Have controlled surveys and/or tests been conducted on Barrow Island by the Health Department or any other agency to confirm how widespread the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* is on the island?
- (4) If yes to (3), -
 - (a) when was this carried out;
 - (b) by whom; and
 - (c) will the Minister table the results?
- (5) If no to (3), will the Health Department in partnership with Chevron Australia, conduct controlled surveys and tests on Barrow Island to confirm how widespread the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* is on the island, and ascertain exposure risk to the current and ever expanding workforce?
- (6) If no to (3) and (5), will the Health Department require that Chevron Australia conduct controlled surveys and tests on Barrow Island to confirm how widespread the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* is on the island and ascertain exposure risk to the current and ever expanding workforce?
- (7) Has the Health Department in partnership with Chevron Australia implemented appropriate controls and provided appropriate education to the workforce to lower the risk of exposure to the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii*?
- (8) If no to (7), will the Health Department in partnership with Chevron Australia implement appropriate controls and provide appropriate education to the workforce to lower the risk of exposure to the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii*?
- (9) If no to (7) and (8), will the Health Department require Chevron Australia to implement appropriate controls and provide appropriate education to the workforce to lower the risk of exposure to the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii*?
- (10) Given that Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* has been identified on Barrow Island and cases of infection have now been recorded, will the Health Department conduct or require Chevron Australia to conduct pre-employment testing and offer immunisation to the ever expanding workforce?
- (11) If no to (10), why not?
- (12) Will the Health Department interview past Barrow Island employees who have contracted Q fever (reference Dr Clayton Golledge, Microbiologist of Infectious Diseases) to ascertain the possible source of infection and any compensation liability?
- (13) If no to (12), why not?
- (14) Will the West Australian Notifiable Diseases Database (WANIDD) be reviewed and updated to include more relevant information concerning occupational hazards, sources of infection, and levels of infection of the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* generally and more specifically on Barrow Island?
- (15) If no to (14), why not?

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- (16) Does the Health Department recommend exposure reduction actions that should or must be implemented by employers to lower the exposure risk of their workforce to Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* on Barrow Island or other locations?
- (17) If no to (16), -
 - (a) why not; and
 - (b) will the Health Department recommend exposure reduction actions that should or must be implemented by employers to lower the exposure risk of their workforce to Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* on Barrow Island or other locations?
- (18) If no to (17)(b) why not?
- (19) Does the Health Department audit or inspect any companies and locations where known Q fever cases have been recorded to ensure that employees are not being unnecessarily or unknowingly exposed to the Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii* in high risk situations?
- (20) If no to (19), why not?
- (21) Does the Health Department have policy objectives in respect of exposure and risks of infection from Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii*, and will the Minister table them?
- (22) If yes to (21), when were these objectives last reviewed and does the Minister consider them sufficiently up-to-date?
- (23) If no to (22), -
 - (a) why not; and
 - (b) will the Minister instruct the Health Department to create policy objectives in respect of exposure and risks of infection from Q fever bacteria *Coxiella burnetii*?

3849. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to tabled paper No. 3230, where it shows that as at February 2011 psychiatrists within the WA Country Health Service were understaffed by 29 percent, and ask -

- (1) Why has the WA Country Health Service been operating under its requirement for full staffing?
- (2) For how long has the WA Country Health Service been operating under its requirement for full staffing?
- (3) How much money has been saved as a result of the WA Country Health Service operating under its requirement for full staffing?
- (4) What is the average waiting time for a consumer in the WA Country Health Service to see a psychiatrist?
- (5) How much money has been saved as a result of the positions not being filled?
- (6) What strategies has the Minister put in place to ensure these positions are filled?

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3850. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the full FTE requirements for the Mental Health system, and I ask -

How many positions in the following categories are not substantively filled by a permanent occupant as at February 2011, -

- (a) psychiatrists;
- (b) psychologists;
- (c) nurses; and
- (d) occupational therapists?

3851. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health

(1) What was the Budget allocation for the Creative Expression Centre for Arts Therapy (CECAT) for, -

- (a) 2005-2006;
- (b) 2006-2007;
- (c) 2007-2008;
- (d) 2008-2009;
- (e) 2009-2010; and
- (f) 2010-2011?

(2) Does the CECAT operate as a section within Graylands Hospital, and if not, what is its organisational status within the Department of Health?

(3) Will CECAT be funded in the next budget and what is the approximate fiscal value of the Budget allocation they will receive?

3852. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health

For each month of the years 2008, 2009, and 2010 -

(1) How many mental health patients that have presented to emergency departments?

(2) Of those -

- (a) how many were admitted; and
- (b) how many were given intravenous medication?

3853. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Mental Health

(1) Are any mental health clients on forms one and three being taken to emergency departments (EDs) instead of going directly to mental health units?

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- (2) Is it true that aggressive or agitated mental health patients are being given intravenous medication because it is the only way that EDs can manage them, whereas clients admitted directly to a mental health unit are given intra- muscular medication?
- (3) Why is intravenous medication being given to mental health patients as a management tool?

3854. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to the Priority Start Building Program (PSBP), and I ask -

- (1) How is the labour component, for the purposes of the PSBP, determined?
- (2) What processes are in place to monitor compliance with the PSBP and ensure that apprentices are not being double counted by contractors and that the correct number of apprentices are being employed?
- (3) Are the three head contractor arrangements for building maintenance on Homeswest properties subject to the PSBP policy and guidelines?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) If yes to (3), -
 - (a) what are the labour components of the three head contractor arrangements with Homeswest; and
 - (b) how many apprentices are employed as a result?

3855. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to your media statement on Thursday 12 May, 2011 citing 21 000 additional training places in the past three years, and I ask -

- (1) How many training places were funded in each year from 23 September 2008 to date?
- (2) Of those listed in (2), how many of these training places were, -
 - (a) apprenticeships; and
 - (b) traineeships?
- (3) Of the 21 000 training places, -
 - (a) how many were located at TAFE Colleges;
 - (b) how many were located at Registered Training Organisations; and
 - (c) how many in total were funded in each of the three calendar years?

3856. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to the allocation of \$3 million for completion payments for out-of-contract apprentices and trainees, and I ask -

- (1) How many trainees eligible to attract this payment to employers have been recruited so far?

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- (2) How much of the allocation of \$3 million has been expended so far?

3857. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to question 2027 Priority Start Building Program - Stakeholder Participation, and I ask -

- (1) How many employers were registered under Component A of the Priority Start Building Program (PSBP) in 2010?
- (2) How many apprentices were employed under the PSBP in 2010?
- (3) How many trainees were employed under the PSBP in 2010?
- (4) How many contractors applied for provisional certification under the PSBP in 2010?

3858. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to your response on Thursday 4 November 2010 to the Estimates and Financial Operations Committee, Questions on Notice Supplementary Information No. A5 whereby it is estimated that the additional funding of \$19 million provided an additional 2 400 training places in 2009-10, and I ask -

- (1) How many places were allocated to the following, -
 - (a) TAFE;
 - (b) Registered Training Organisations;
 - (c) Apprenticeships; and
 - (d) Traineeships?
- (2) Of these 2 400 places, -
 - (a) how many of these were in the 2009 calendar year; and
 - (b) how many of these were in the 2010 calendar year?

3859. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to your response on Thursday 4 November 2010, Estimates and Financial Operations Committee, Questions on Notice Supplementary Information No. A5, whereby it is estimated that the additional funding of \$19 million will provide an additional 5 200 training places in 2010-11, and I ask -

- (1) How many places were allocated to the following, -
 - (a) TAFE;
 - (b) Registered Training Organisations;
 - (c) Apprenticeships; and
 - (d) Traineeships?

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(2) Of these 5 200 places:

- (a) how many of these were in the 2010 calendar year;
- (b) how many will be funded in 2011?

3860. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to your media statement on 16 March 2011 Training Sector Response to Economic Downturn, where you refer to an additional 15 000 training places being funded over the last two years, and I ask -

- (1) How many of these 15 000 places were allocated to each of the calendar years 2009 and 2010?
- (2) How many of these places were allocated in each of the years 2009 and 2010 to, -
 - (a) TAFE; and
 - (b) Registered Training Organisations?
- (3) For each of the years 2009 and 2010, how many of these places were allocated to, -
 - (a) apprenticeships; and
 - (b) traineeships?

3861. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to question on notice No. 2481 in relation to 2010 course enrolments and student curriculum hours being validated and available in March 2011, and ask in relation to the range of courses held at each of the following institutions, -

- (a) Central Institute of Technology;
- (b) Challenger Institute of Technology;
- (c) Polytechnic West;
- (d) West Coast Institute of Training;
- (e) Durack Institute of Technology;
- (f) C.Y. O'Connor College of TAFE;
- (g) Great Southern Institute of Technology;
- (h) Kimberley TAFE;
- (i) Pilbara TAFE; and
- (j) South West Regional College of TAFE, -
- (2) How many course enrolments were there for 2010?
- (3) How many student hours did these enrolments represent?

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(4) How many of these enrolments were taken by apprentices?

(5) How many of these enrolments were taken by trainees?

3862. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

Further to comments you made in this House on 23 September 2010 in relation to Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), that in 2009 there were more than 52 400 successful RPL outcomes, I ask -

(1) Does the 52 400 successful RPL outcomes refer to 52 400 people who have become fully qualified under the RPL process?

(2) If no to (1), -

(a) what constitutes a 'successful RPL outcome' as quoted; and

(b) how many people became fully qualified under the RPL process in 2009 and 2010?

(3) How many successful RPL outcomes were there for 2010?

(4) Of the outcomes for each of 2009 and 2010, how many were undertaken at, -

(a) TAFE; and

(b) (Registered Training Organisations?

(5) How many were issued with a full qualification without having to undertake further courses in 2009 and 2010?

(6) How many in 2009 and 2010 were, -

(a) existing workers; and

(b) unemployed?

(7) If unemployed, how many subsequently found employment in 2009 and 2010?

3863. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

Further to your response on Thursday 4 November 2010 Estimates and Financial Operations Committee, Questions on Notice Supplementary Information No A12, in relation to the breakdown of costs of re-badging each of the State Training Providers, I ask -

(1) Why were the costs to Polytechnic West for re-badging so much greater than other training providers?

(2) Why were the signage costs so high?

(3) What is the breakdown of the consultancy costs of \$31 192.60 incurred by Polytechnic West?

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3864. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to skilled migration and state sponsorship, and I ask -

- (1) How many applicants have applied for State sponsorship under the Skilled Sponsored (residence) Visa (subclass 886)?
- (2) How many of these were successful?
- (3) What are the nominated occupations of successful applicants?

3865. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to the pilot for food trades, and ask -

- (1) Has the panel of industry experts determined the employability of chefs and cooks?
- (2) If yes to (1), what is the outcome?
- (3) If no to (1), when will the outcome be known?

3866. Hon Sue Ellery to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Education

I refer to master plans by the Department for a K to 12 campus planned for Como Secondary College, which include the co-location of Curtin Primary School onto the College site and the linking of three local roads, namely Henley Street and Murray Street, Como and Jackson Road, Karawara; roads that form part of a longer term strategy by the Department of Planning and the Department of Transport to create a high density, high volume traffic and transit route through this residential area, and I ask -

- (1) As the Minister has indicated in a letter to the coordinator of a Local Action Group, opposed to these road openings, the co-location can occur without the need for any road linkages occurring, has the Minister or her Department requested alternative plans from the Ministers of these Departments that will avoid creating a unnecessarily dangerous situation for young children crossing what will be a major distributor road to the new campus, and further reduce the quality of life and safety of the residents of 'Meathcare', a residential aged care village?
- (2) Given the issues of safety for school children and the elderly, beside the loss of a greenbelt alongside the Campus, why did the Minister dismiss these issues in her reply as the responsibility of other Minister's portfolios, when the Minister has a duty of care to the children attending the Campus and a moral responsibility for the impact any school development will have on the surrounding residential area?

3867. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Police

I refer to the death of the police horse 'Hercules' and the article on this matter published at page six of the *Sunday Times* on 17 April 2011, and I ask -

- (1) Is it correct that Hercules was not wearing protective rubber horse shoes at the time of his death because his hooves were too big to fit standard issue shoes?
- (2) How many police horses have hooves too big to fit standard issue protective rubber horse shoes?

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- (3) Following the death of Hercules, will you consider making it mandatory for all police horses to be fitted with protective rubber shoes when on active duty?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?

3868. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health

I refer to the Multiple Chemical Sensitivity/ Chemical Hypersensitivity Guideline published last September by the WA Country Health Service, and I ask -

- (1) Which hospitals in Western Australia have adopted the Guidelines?
- (2) Which hospitals in Western Australia have a disability access and inclusion plan?
- (3) Which of the hospitals referred to in (2), refer to the Guidelines in their disability access and inclusion plan?
- (4) What use of the Guidelines has been made by Western Australian universities that train health professionals?

3869. Hon Giz Watson to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Racing and Gaming

I refer to identity scanning systems (for example Nightkey and idEye) installed at licensed premises, and I ask -

- (1) What procedures or protocols exist to guide police when seeking access to personal information that has been collected by an identity scanning system?
- (2) Are these procedures or protocols in writing?
- (3) If no to (2), why not?
- (4) If yes to (2), will you please table a copy?
- (5) How is compliance by police with these procedures or protocols monitored?
- (6) What training or other information is provided to police regarding the nature and extent of Federal privacy law obligations of organisations from which police may be seeking information?

3870. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Police

I refer to identity scanning systems (for example Nightkey and idEye) installed at licensed premises, and I ask -

- (1) Which licensed premises in Western Australia have been required by the Department to install or use an identity scanning system, for example as a condition of their licence?
- (2) In considering an application for a liquor licence/extension of liquor licence how does the Department take into account the presence or absence of an identity scanning system at the premises?

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- (3) Regarding the answer to (2), how has this information been publicised by the Department to applicants/intending applicants?
- (4) What information does the Department provide to licensees who have installed, or who may be considering installing, an identity scanning system regarding, -
 - (a) Federal privacy law obligations including the National Privacy Principles; and
 - (b) how to protect personal information collected by identity scanning systems from identity crime?
- (5) Does the list on the Department's website of people who are subject to prohibition orders also include people who are subject to barring notices?
- (6) If no to (5), where can licensees find out whether or not a would-be patron is the subject of a barring notice?

3871. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

I refer to the September 2007 report, 'Indigenous Licensing and Fine Default: A Clean Slate', prepared by the Committee to Explore the Effect of Motor Driver's Licence and Driving Laws on Remote Communities for the former government, and I ask -

- (1) Which of the report's recommendations that fall within your portfolio responsibilities do you support?
- (2) Regarding any recommendations that fall within your portfolio responsibilities but do not have your support, what is the reason for your lack of support?
- (3) Regarding the answer given to (1), -
 - (a) what process is in place for monitoring the level of implementation of those recommendations;
 - (b) which recommendations are currently fully implemented (where applicable, please provide full details);
 - (c) which recommendations are currently partially implemented (in each case, please specify the extent);
 - (d) which recommendations are currently not implemented;
 - (e) of the recommendations referred to in (3)(d), when will they be implemented; and
 - (f) where is the information referred to in the answers (3)(a)-(e) inclusive publicly available

3872. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Corrective Services

- (1) How many people in total are currently imprisoned in Western Australia as a result of conviction in respect of a driving-related offence or fine default in respect of a driving-related offence?

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- (2) Regarding the answer to (1), will you please provide a breakdown specifying, -
- (a) what the offence is;
 - (b) the number of people imprisoned for each offence (please show adults and juveniles separately);
 - (c) the median length of sentence for each offence (please show adults and juveniles separately); and
 - (d) if the answers to (2)(a), (b) or (c) include anyone imprisoned for multiple driving-related offences, the number of these people and for each person, his/her offences?

3873. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food

I refer to the answers given to my question on notice No. 3615 on 12 April 2011 regarding feral horses and donkeys in the Kimberley, and I ask -

- (1) Will you please table a copy of the management plan for the north Kimberley feral donkey control program?
- (2) If the management plan is intended to be consistent with a recognised code or standard regarding humane control methods applicable to feral donkeys, -
 - (a) with which code or standard is the management plan intended to be consistent;
 - (b) where can that code or standard be publicly accessed; and
 - (c) if the code or standard is not publicly accessible, will the Minister please table a copy of it?

3874. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Local Government

I refer to the Department of Health's publication, 'A Guide to the Management of Pesticides in Local Government Pest Control Programs in Western Australia', which I understand was distributed to all local governments in or around October 2009, which states, 'None of the requirements are mandated by legislation in Western Australia, however the Pesticides Advisory Committee recommends their adoption by LGAs as part of their policy framework for the control of pest species within their area', and I ask -

- (1) Which local governments have adopted the requirements in full?
- (2) Which local governments have partially adopted the requirements (in each case, please specify which requirements have been adopted)?
- (3) Which local governments have not adopted any of the requirements?

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3875. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Local Government

Regarding the work of the Local Government Standards Panel, I ask -

- (1) Is Article 10 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights applicable to the work of the Local Government Standards Panel?
- (2) If yes to (1), please provide details?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?
- (4) When will the review of the Local Government Standards Panel be completed?
- (5) Is the Standards Panel Review Committee (Review Committee) considering the procedure before the panel, including procedural fairness and natural justice principles in the review of the work of the Panel?
- (6) If no to (5) why not?
- (7) How and where was the review advertised?
- (8) How many submissions were received?
- (9) Why did the Minister not appoint an independent member, from outside the public service, to the Review Committee?
- (10) When is the Review Committee expected to finalise the report of the review?
- (11) Will the review report be made public?
- (12) If no to (11), why not?

3876. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Corrective Services
I refer to detainees at Banksia Hill Juvenile Remand Centre who require medication at weekends, and I ask -

- (1) Where it is known prior to a weekend that a detainee will require medication during the weekend?
- (2) If the medication has been prescribed for the detainee, is it provided to the detainee for use over the weekend?
- (3) If yes to (2), what process applies to its distribution including but not limited to, -
 - (a) who distributes it to the detainee;
 - (b) when is it distributed to the detainee;
 - (c) how many doses are made available to the detainee at the one time; and
 - (d) who supervises the detainee taking the medication?
- (4) If no to (2), why not?
- (5) If the medication is non-prescription medication, is it provided to the detainee for use over the weekend?

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- (6) If yes to (5), what process applies to its distribution including but not limited to, -
 - (a) who distributes it to the detainee;
 - (b) when is it distributed to the detainee;
 - (c) how many doses are made available to the detainee at the one time; and
 - (d) who supervises the detainee taking the medication?
- (7) If no to (5), why not?
- (8) Regarding the answers given to (1) to (7), in what respects does the process differ where it is known prior to a weekend that a detainee's current state of health makes it not unlikely, but not certain, that the detainee will require medication over the weekend?
- (9) Regarding the answers given to (8), in what respects does the process differ where during a weekend a detainee newly develops a need for medication?

3877. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport

I refer to the September 2007 report, 'Indigenous Licensing and Pine Default A Clean Slate', prepared by the Committee to Explore the Effect of Motor Driver's Licence and Driving Laws on Remote Communities for the former Government, and I ask -

- (1) Which of the report's recommendations that fall within your portfolio responsibilities do you support?
- (2) Regarding any recommendations that fall within your portfolio responsibilities but do not have your support, what is the reason for your lack of support?
- (3) Regarding the answer given to (1), -
 - (a) what process is in place for monitoring the level of implementation of those recommendations;
 - (b) which recommendations are currently fully implemented (where applicable, please provide full details);
 - (c) which recommendations are currently partially implemented (in each case, please specify the extent);
 - (d) which recommendations are currently not implemented;
 - (e) of the recommendations referred to in (3)(d), when will they be implemented; and
 - (f) where is the information referred to in the answers (3)(a)-(e) inclusive publicly available?

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3878. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Lands
 I refer to the practice of running goats on pastoral stations in Western Australia, and ask -
 How many pastoral stations are running goats and where are these stations located?

3879. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to question on notice No. 3624 answered by the Minister for Transport on 13 April 2011, and ask -

- (1) Is it correct that BHP Billiton or a subsidiary corporation thereof has conducted a trial transportation of uranium product from Western Australia to South Australia?
- (2) If yes to (1), -
 - (a) how many times has this been done;
 - (b) on what dates;
 - (c) what quantity of uranium was transported;
 - (d) what was the route taken by the shipment;
 - (e) did the shipment pass through Kalgoorlie or its environs;
 - (f) from where was the uranium sourced;
 - (g) what was the ultimate destination of the uranium; and
 - (h) was the uranium sold for export having been transported to South Australia?
- (3) What regulations cover the transportation of uranium in Western Australia, and what are the reporting requirements for the Department of Transport under these regulations?
- (4) What requirements are there with regards to consultation with stakeholders and communities along a shipment route where radioactive materials are involved?
- (5) Will the Minister table all reports by his Department relating to any transportation of uranium in 2010–2011?

3880. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to two letters ref 2011/618 to Colin Leslie Bernhardt concerning known or suspected contaminated sites on Youno Station, and I ask -

- (1) What are the contaminated sites on Youno Station?
- (2) What has caused these sites to be defined as contaminated or suspected of contamination?
- (3) Who reported or referred these contaminated sites to the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC)?
- (4) What investigation was carried out by the DEC to determine if these sites were contaminated?

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- (5) What action needs to be undertaken to enable the station owners to remove the known or suspected contaminated site classification on Youno Station?
- (6) If the station owners were not the persons responsible for the contamination, who was?
- (7) If in answer to (6), the DEC has identified the persons responsible will the DEC issue or cause a cleanup notice to be served on the source of the contaminated sites on Youno Station?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) Does the DEC understand the financial implications of putting a memorial on the Youno Downs pastoral lease for the lessees?
- (10) How many such contaminated or sites suspected of contamination or memorials have been placed on other pastoral leases?
- (11) Will the Minister table a list of all such contaminated or sites suspected of contamination?
- (12) Should mining operations demonstrate that their sites are not contaminated prior to closure?
- (13) If no to (12), why not?
- (14) Did the mining operations responsible for the contaminated or sites suspected of contamination on Youno Downs demonstrate that their sites are not contaminated prior to closure?
- (15) If no to (14), why not?

3881. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that the area of land at Point Peron (the Land) earmarked for the proposed 'Mangles Bay Marina Based Tourist Precinct' development is still subject to the restrictions imposed by the Commonwealth in 1964 when the Land (together with adjacent land) was transferred by the Commonwealth to the State of Western Australia on condition that the future use of the Land (and the adjacent land) be restricted 'to a reserve for Recreation and/or Park Lands'?
- (2) If this is not the case, will the Minister provide specific details of any change(s) to the restrictions on the use of the Land and advise whether the State considers that such changes (if any) allow the Land to be used for the proposed 'Mangles Bay Marina Based Tourist Precinct' development, the design of which includes a canal-based residential subdivision and inland marina?
- (3) Has the State received confirmation that the Commonwealth agrees with the State's view on this issue?
- (4) If yes to (3), when?
- (5) If no to (3), why not?
- (6) If the Land is still subject to restrictions imposed by the Commonwealth that do not or may not allow the land to be used for the proposed 'Mangles Bay Marina Based Tourist Precinct' development, can the Minister explain why the State Government has so far committed at least \$3.7 million of public funds to the proposed development by a private sector partner?

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3882. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Local Government

- (1) When will the Dog Amendment Bill be introduced into Parliament?
- (2) What reforms will the Bill introduce regarding Assistance Dogs?
- (3) Will Assistance Dogs trained outside Western Australia be recognised?
- (4) If yes to (3)(a), what will the mechanism for this be?
- (5) If the Bill is passed, to what extent will the Dog Act be in harmony with legislation in other Australian jurisdictions regarding Assistance Dogs?
- (6) Is there any intention for assistance animals other than dogs to be recognised under this or any other piece of legislation?

3883. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health

I refer to the ban on the use of raw poultry manure in irrigated horticulture from September 2011, and I ask -

- (1) Will the Minister increase the penalty provisions for individuals of companies who do not comply with the ban?
- (2) If yes to (1), what will the new penalties be?
- (3) When will they be applied?
- (4) In no to (1), why not?

3884. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to answers to question on notice No. 728 in relation to the Gngangara Groundwater Management Area that states approximately 1250 state-owned meters have been installed voluntarily on licensed bores, and I ask -

- (1) Why does the Department rely on a licensee volunteering to have meters installed on their bores when the Department has the statutory power to require a licensee to install a meter?
- (2) I understand that the metering policy is being implemented by individual licence amendment, why has the Minister not used clause 15(1)(d) of Schedule 1 of the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914* to implement the metering policy?

3885. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

- (1) I refer to progress that the Department of Water has made in relation to its 'Strategic Policy 5.03 Metering the Taking of Water', and ask -
 - (a) please list for each of the State's priority water management areas by item, how many surface water and groundwater licenses authorise water extraction greater than or equal to 5ML/year;

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- (b) please list for each of the State's priority water management areas by item, how many surface water and groundwater licences referred to in (a), have Government owned meters installed;
 - (c) how many surface water license and groundwater for licensees outside of priority water management areas authorise water extraction greater than or equal to 50ML/year; and
 - (d) how many surface water licenses and groundwater licenses referred to in (c) are metered?
- (2) How many licences in the Gngangara Groundwater Management Area oblige licensees to install and read water extraction Meters?
 - (3) Of those licences, how many licensees have actually installed a meter?
 - (4) The Auditor General's 2009 Report on Public Sector Performance found that the Department of Water does not undertake systematic recordkeeping of compliance monitoring activities, potential non-compliance, follow-up actions and outcomes. What action has the Department of Water taken since 2009 to develop a program of proactive monitoring of compliance?

3886. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to the answer given on 13 April 2011 to question on notice No. 3686, and ask -

- (1) Please specify the each of the alternative methods of compliance referred to in this answer?
- (2) I understand that 228 licensees exceeded their annual allocation by a total of 10.9GL between 2006/07 and 2009/10, does the Minister for Water consider the alternative methods of compliance referred to in (1), to be successful?
- (3) If no to (2), what compliance success has been demonstrated by the alternative methods?

3887. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to answers given on 15 September 2010 to question on notice No. 2651, from which I understand that in 2008-09, 84 licensees extracted a volume of water more than their allocation limit, however, warning letters regarding this breach were only sent to 35 users. In 2009-2010, 78 licensees extracted a volume of water over their allocation limit, but no warning letters were sent. I ask -

- (1) Why were warning letters sent to some licensees who had breached their conditions and not others in 2008-09?
- (2) Why were no warning letters sent, or any other enforcement action taken, in 2009-10?

3888. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

- (1) How many Gngangara groundwater licensees with installed meters had a condition on their licence obligating them to report meter readings to the Department during the following periods, -
 - (a) 2006-2007;

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- (b) 2007-2008;
 - (c) 2008-2009; and
 - (d) 2009-2010?
- (2) For each of the periods listed in (1), -
- (a) how many licensed and metered users in the Gnamagara Groundwater Management Area reported their meter readings to the Department of Water as required by their licence conditions;
 - (b) how many licensed and metered users failed to report their meter readings;
 - (c) how many licensed and metered users who failed to report their meter readings were issued a formal warning letter; and
 - (d) how many had any other type of enforcement action taken against them, please list the types of enforcement action, and how many licensees were affected?

3889. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to the 'Reporting' section of the Department of Water website that states the Metering Team is developing a section for the website where licensees will be able to log on and monitor their water use, which notes that '[t]o respect licensees' privacy, reports will only provide averages', and ask -

- (1) What information will be made available on this website, and when will the site will be complete?
- (2) Why will access to this website be restricted to licensees and not available to the general public?
- (3) On what legal basis does the Department consider a licensee's water extraction and use 'private' information?
- (4) What legal restrictions prevent the Metering Team from publishing information concerning individual licensees' metering data, including licence conditions and result of water meter readings, the Department of Water website or elsewhere?

3890. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

I refer to the issuing custody orders under the *Criminal Law (Mentally Impaired Accused) Act 1996*, and ask -

- (1) How many people are currently subject to a custody order?
- (2) Where are the people on custody orders currently being held?
- (3) On average, how long are people held under custody orders?
- (4) What is the longest someone has been held on a custody order under the Act?

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3891. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Corrective Services

I refer to the issuing custody orders under the *Criminal Law (Mentally Impaired Accused) Act 1996*, and ask -

- (1) How many people are currently subject to a custody order?
- (2) Where are the people on custody orders currently being held?
- (3) On average, how long are people held under custody orders?
- (4) What is the longest someone has been held on a custody order under the Act?

3892. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to the draft strategic direction and action paper for the Kimberley Regional Water Plan 2010-2030 and supporting details released by the Department of Water for public comment this year, and ask -

- (1) What is the intended date for the final version of the plan to be released?
- (2) What are the Government's intentions regarding developing groundwater allocation plans for the Kimberley, including groundwater allocation limits, as has been done in other regions of Western Australia?
- (3) If there is no intention to develop groundwater allocation plans and limits for the Kimberley and/or its groundwater sub-regions, why not?
- (4) Given the significant development interest in the Kimberley, including proposed resource extraction in the Canning Basin and expanded agriculture and horticulture activities, how does the Department propose to manage the impact of these activities on the region's water resources, given that in relation to the Fitzroy sub-region, the supporting details document states, page 49, that 'current hydrological and hydrogeological knowledge of the Fitzroy River is limited and insufficient to support management decisions'?
- (5) When is the National Water Commission-funded study into lower Fitzroy ground and surface water interaction due to be completed and does the Government intend to make it available to the public when it is?

3893. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to Mental Health services in the Fitzroy Valley, and ask -

- (1) Is a mental health crisis team located in the Fitzroy Valley?
- (2) If yes to (1), how much state government funding does the team receive per annum?
- (3) How many FTE are currently employed in the team?
- (4) If no to (1), does the Minister intend to provide a mental health crisis team for the Fitzroy Valley?
- (5) If yes to (4), when?

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(6) If no to (4), why not?

3894. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Child Protection

I refer to the very successful Yiriman Project and its role in suicide prevention, and ask -

- (1) Will any funding be provided under the Mental Health portfolio for this important program?
- (2) If yes to (1), how much funding will be provided for the 2010-2011 financial year?
- (3) Will the Minister support moves to enable the Yiriman Project to expand its services to provide preventative programs which aim to engage and divert at-risk youths before they encounter the justice system?
- (4) If yes to (3), how?
- (5) If no to (3), why not?

3895. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Planning

I refer to Lot 2778 South Western Highway in Whitby, and ask -

- (1) Has this land been transferred to the Metropolitan Cemeteries Board from the Western Australian Planning Commission?
- (2) If yes to (1), when?
- (3) If no to (1), -
 - (a) why not; and
 - (b) when will this lot be transferred to the Metropolitan Cemeteries Board?

3896. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

I refer to the successful Yiriman Project, and ask:

- (1) Will the Minister ensure this important project receives Royalties for Regions funding for the 2010-2011 financial year?
- (2) If yes to (1), how much funding will be provided?

3897. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

- (1) How many people are currently on the Adult Mental Health Service waiting list in the Kimberly?
- (2) What are the average waiting list times?
- (3) How many juveniles are currently on the waiting list for mental health services in the Kimberly?
- (4) What are the current waiting list times for juveniles?

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3898. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Child Protection

I refer to the Department of Child Protection policy not to accommodate boys over ten years of age in women's refuges, and ask -

- (1) When was this policy last reviewed?
- (2) Are there any plans to review the policy in the near future?
- (3) If yes to (2), when will the review be undertaken?
- (4) What strategies are in place to ensure mothers of boys over ten years of age are provided safe refuge from domestic violence?
- (5) Which of these strategies are available to women and children living in remote communities?
- (6) Are there any plans to provide domestic violence specialist services in remote communities?
- (7) If yes to (6), please provide detail on the proposed services, and where they will be provided.

3899. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health

I refer to the successful Yiriman Project, and ask -

- (1) Will any funding be provided under the health portfolio for this important program?
- (2) If yes to (1), how much funding will be provided for the 2010-2011 financial year?

3900. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to a proposal by Asia Iron Holdings Limited for the Extension Hill Magnetite Project in the Mid-West region, and ask -

- (1) Has an application for a water licence for the Extension Hill Magnetite Project been made to the Department of Water?
- (2) If yes to (1), -
 - (a) what is the status of the application;
 - (b) how much water is being sought; and
 - (c) from what source(s) (if multiple sources, please state each one and how much water from each)?
- (3) If the answer to (1) is no, has any advice from the Department of Water about sourcing water to supply the Extension Hill Magnetite Project been sought?
- (4) If yes to (3), -
 - (a) what water sources have been discussed; and
 - (b) for how much water in each case?
- (5) Please state all of the groundwater allocation area(s) within a 300km radius of the Extension Hill Magnetite Project proposed mine site, and the available groundwater for licensing in each?

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3901. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to Karara Mining Ltd's application for a licence to withdraw 5.3 giganlitres of water each year from the Mingenew sub-area of the Parmelia aquifer, and ask the following -

- (1) Is the Minister aware that a survey by the Northern Agricultural Catchment Council has identified 12 mound springs in the Mingenew area, including several in pristine condition and likely to contain Threatened Ecological Communities, that depend on discharge from the Parmelia Aquifer and which may be impacted if the licence is granted?
- (2) In the light of a May 2009 Department of Water report titled, 'Environmental considerations for groundwater management in the Northern Perth Basin', which calls for active management of the Arrowsmith Groundwater Area, including Mingenew, in order 'to prevent impacts that may otherwise occur due to lack of information and/or inadequate assessment', does the Minister intend to ensure that the best possible information and assessment regarding potential environmental impacts will be used in the Government's decision on Karara's water licence application?
- (3) Is the Minister for Water aware that the National Water Commission is currently completing a \$2.5 million vulnerability assessment of groundwater-dependent ecosystems in the Mid-West of Western Australia, due for completion in July this year, with the study's stated aims being to improve groundwater management guidelines for vulnerable areas in the northern Perth Basin and to contribute to the revision of water management plans for the area in line with the National Water Initiative?
- (4) Does the Minister still intend to make his decision on Karara's application by 30 June 2011, a month before the National Water Commission study's findings are available?
- (5) If the answers to both (2) and (4) are yes, how does the Minister reconcile these two answers?

3902. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to question on notice No. 3684, and ask -

What laws and regulations currently exist in Western Australia to protect landowners' groundwater use should hydraulic fracturing, or 'fracking' occur on their land or adjoining land, with regards to -

- a) contamination of groundwater;
- b) drawdown of the water table; and
- c) uncontrolled methane release?

3903. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to exploration activities for shale and 'tight' gas in Western Australia that are currently underway or approved to commence, and ask the following -

- (1) What are all the locations in Western Australia that have been subjected to drilling for shale gas and 'tight' gas exploration? (please include, for each exploration lease title, the proponent's name(s), the location and a description of the status of the project)

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- (2) What are all the locations in Western Australia that have been approved by the Government for drilling for shale gas and 'tight' gas exploration? (please include, for each exploration lease title, the proponent's name(s), the location and a description of the status of the project)
- (3) For each of the projects listed in the response to (1), please state by item, whether hydraulic fracturing, also known as 'fracking', has been conducted and to what depth?
- (4) For each of the projects listed in the response to (2), please state by item, whether fracking is proposed and to what depth?
- (5) For each of the projects listed in the response to (3), please state by item what chemicals have been used in the fracking process?
- (6) For each of the projects listed in the response to (4), please state by item what chemicals have been proposed to be used in the fracking process?

3904. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

I refer to the successful Yiriman Project, and ask -

- (1) Will any funding be provided under the Attorney General's portfolios for this important program?
- (2) If yes to (1), how much funding will be provided for the 2010-2011 financial year?

3905. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Child Protection

I refer to the very successful Yiriman Project, and ask -

- (1) Will any funding be provided under the Mental Health portfolio for this important program?
- (2) If yes to (1), how much funding will be provided for the 2010-2011 financial year?
- (3) Will the Minister support moves to enable the Yiriman Project to expand its services to provide preventative programs which aim to engage and divert at-risk youths before they encounter the justice system?
- (4) If yes to (3), how?
- (5) If no to (3), why not?

3906. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to the decision to allow Hanson to expand 5.4 hectares under section 45C of the *Environmental Protection Authority Act 1986* made in 2006, and noting that Aboriginal Heritage surveys had only been undertaken for the originally planned quarry footprint prior to this date, I ask -

- (1) Did consultation with the Department of Indigenous Affairs occur prior to approving this expansion?
- (2) If yes to (1), what form did this consultation take?

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(3) If no to (1), why not?

3907. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to a proposal by Crosslands Resources Ltd for the Jack Hills Expansion Project (JHEP) in the Mid-West region, in which the proponent states they will require around 37 gigalitres of groundwater from the region each year, and ask -

- (1) Has an application for a water licence for the JHEP been made to the Department of Water?
- (2) If yes to (1), -
 - (a) what is the status of the application;
 - (b) how much water is being sought;
 - (c) and from what source(s), if multiple sources, please list each one and how much water from each?
- (3) If no to (1), has Crosslands Resources Ltd or either of its joint venture partners sought advice from the Department of Water about sourcing water to supply the JHEP?
- (4) If yes to (3), -
 - (a) please list the water sources that have been discussed;
 - (b) for how much water in each case; and
 - (c) of these sources, which have been recommended by the Department?
- (5) Please list all of the groundwater allocation area(s) within a 300km radius of the JHEP proposed location and the available groundwater for licensing in each?
- (6) Has Crosslands Resources Ltd discussed with the Minister and/or the Department the possibility of supplying water needed for the project via desalination?
- (7) If yes to (6), -
 - (a) what size of desalination plant, in gigalitres per year, has been discussed, and what location(s) have been suggested;
 - (b) what energy sources to supply a desalination plant have been discussed;
 - (c) what potential costs regarding a desalination plant have been discussed; and
 - (d) what advice has the Minister and/or Department given regarding who would pay that cost?

3908. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the intention to introduce a new Mental Health Bill into Parliament, and ask -

- (1) Will a draft be circulated for public comment?
- (2) If yes to (1), when?
- (3) How long will stakeholders be given to comment on the draft?

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- (4) Will the Minister make any funding available to allow stakeholders to engage specialist services to enable them to adequately review and comment on the draft Bill?

3909. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General

I refer to the Criminal Law (Mentally Impaired Accused) Act 1996, and ask -

- (1) Are amendments to the Act being drafted?
- (2) If yes to (1), will they be circulated for public comment?
- (3) If yes to (2), when?
- (4) How long will stakeholders be given to comment on the draft amendments?
- (5) Will funding be made available to allow stakeholders to engage specialist services, so that they can adequately review and comment on the draft amendments?

3910. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Water

I refer to a proposal by Grange Resources Ltd for the Southdown Magnetite Project in the Great Southern Region, and ask -

- (1) Has the proponent applied for a water licence from the Department of Water in relation to the project?
- (2) If yes to (1), -
 - (a) what is the status of the application;
 - (b) how much water is being sought; and
 - (c) from what source(s), if multiple sources, please list each one and how much water from each?
- (3) If no to (1), then is it anticipated that the proposed 10 gegalitre-a-year desalination plant and recycled water from the slurry pipeline will be sufficient to meet all of the proponent's water needs for the life of the project?
- (4) Will the State Government be contributing towards the cost of any portion of the proposed desalination plant?
- (5) If yes to (4), what will be the cost of the State Government's contribution?
- (6) If no to (4), then is it anticipated that the full cost of the establishment and the running of the desalination plant will be borne by the proponent?
- (7) Will the State Government be contributing towards the cost of any portion of the slurry pipeline?
- (8) If yes to (7), what will be the cost of the State Government's contribution?
- (9) If no to (7), then is it anticipated that the full cost of the establishment and the running of the desalination plant will be borne by the proponent?

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3911. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Mental Health

I refer to the development of a new Mental Health Bill, and to the inquiry recently conducted by the Commissioner for Children and Young People, Child and Adolescent Mental Health in WA and Australia, which recommends that the Mental Health Commission ensure the views of children and young people are heard (recommendation seven), and ask -

- (1) Does the Minister intend for children and young people to be heard in the development of the new Mental Health Bill?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If yes to (1), what process has, is, or will be, used?
- (4) When will, or did, the consultations occur?
- (5) Which children and young people will be, or have been, consulted?
- (6) Has funding been allocated specifically for consultations with children and young people?
- (7) If yes to (6), how much funding has been allocated?
- (8) If no to (6), why not?

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