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## QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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2503. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Premier; Minister for Federal-State Relations; Trade; Innovation; Science; Public Sector Management

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- 2514. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister representing the Minister for Regional Development; Fisheries; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne
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- 2563. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Public Sector Management
- 2572. Mr T.R. Sprigg to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2580. Mr G.M. Castrilli to the Minister for Housing and Works

Wednesday, 15 August 2007

- 2599. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2605. Ms K. Hodson-Thomas 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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- 2613. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2615. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2616. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Premier; Minister for Federal-State Relations; Trade; Innovation; Science; Public Sector Management
- 2617. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for State Development
- 2618. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; the Mid West and Wheatbelt; Great Southern
- 2619. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan 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
- 2620. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services; Community Safety; Water Resources; Sport and Recreation

- 2621. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Attorney General; Minister for Health; Electoral Affairs
- 2622. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Employment Protection; Housing and Works; Indigenous Affairs; Heritage; Land Information
- 2623. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2624. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Disability Services; Tourism; Culture and the Arts; Consumer Protection
- 2625. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Education and Training; South West
- 2626. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Energy; Resources; Industry and Enterprise
- 2627. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister representing the Minister for Regional Development; Fisheries; the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne
- 2628. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Corrective Services; Small Business; Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal-State Relations
- 2629. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for the Environment; Climate Change; Peel
- 2630. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection; Communities; Women's Interests; Seniors and Volunteering
- 2632. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
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- 2646. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Energy
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- 2652. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2654. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Housing and Works
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- 2656. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Housing and Works
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- 2659. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Housing and Works

- 2660. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Energy
- 2662. Ms K. Hodson-Thomas to the Minister for Tourism
- 2663. Mr R.F. Johnson to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2665. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
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- 2666. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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- 2667. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for the Environment

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- 2669. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2670. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2671. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2673. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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- 2674. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister representing the Minister for Racing and Gaming
- 2675. Dr K.D. Hames to the Minister for Health
- 2676. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2677. Mr G. Snook to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 2678. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Premier
- 2679. Mr M.J. Cowper to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2680. Mr M.J. Cowper to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2681. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Community Safety
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- 2683. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 2684. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Health
- 2685. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Housing and Works
- 2686. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 2687. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister representing the Minister for Local Government
- 2688. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 2689. Ms K. Hodson-Thomas to the Minister for Small Business
- 2690. Dr K.D. Hames to the Minister for Health
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2697. Mr T.R. Sprigg to the Minister for Health

**Questions listed for this sitting: -**

2698. Ms K. Hodson-Thomas to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to the ongoing problems residents of the Karrinyup Lakes Lifestyle Village, located on Lot 36 Gribble Road, Gwelup, are experiencing, and ask why the Minister deleted the Conditions of Approval prior to a building licence being issued by the City of Stirling for the development on Lot 36 Gribble Road, Gwelup?

2699. Dr J.M. Woollard to the Minister for Health

- (1) How many retailers of cigarettes have applied to be licensed to sell cigarettes in Western Australia since the new regulations under the *Tobacco Products Control Act 2006* came into force on 31 May 2007?
- (2) What checks have been done to ensure that all retailers are now licensed?
- (3) Are there any licences still to be issued by the Department of Health; and
  - (a) if so, how many?
- (4) What will the funds raised from the \$200 fee per licence be used for?
- (5) What is the penalty for a cigarette retailer not having a licence?
- (6) Have any retailers been cautioned for not properly adhering to the new restrictions on tobacco displays; and
  - (a) if so, how many retailers and what penalties were issued?

2700. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

In reference to the answer to Question on Notice No. 2413, given on 14 August 2007, can the Minister advise why the Department of Planning and Infrastructure was granted an exemption by the State Supply Commission for the contract granted to the Royal Automobile Club to perform mandatory vehicle inspections?

2701. Dr K.D. Hames to the Minister for Health

With regards to the State's surgery waiting list, can the Minister advise:

- (a) how many cases were removed from the waiting list without surgery (tertiary and non-tertiary hospitals only) for the following periods:
  - (i) 1 June 2005 to 31 December 2005;
  - (ii) 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2006; and
  - (iii) 1 January 2007 to 30 June 2007;
- (b) how many cases were removed from the waiting list without surgery for other reasons (tertiary and non-tertiary hospitals only) for the periods:

- (i) 1 June 2005 to 31 December 2005;
  - (ii) 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2006; and
  - (iii) 1 January 2007 to 30 June 2007;
- (c) how many cases were removed from the waiting list as 'Admission for Procedure' (tertiary and non-tertiary hospitals only) for the periods:
- (i) 1 June 2005 to 31 December 2005;
  - (ii) 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2006; and
  - (iii) 1 January 2007 to 30 June 2007;
- (d) how many cases were removed from the waiting list without surgery (tertiary and non-tertiary hospitals only) for each of the following categories:
- (i) external audit (health service);
  - (ii) patient no longer wants procedure;
  - (iii) patient non contactable;
  - (iv) procedure no longer performed; and
  - (v) surgery no longer appropriate,

for each of the periods:

- (A) 1 June 2005 to 31 December 2005;
  - (B) 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2006; and
  - (C) 1 January 2007 to 30 June 2007;
- (e) how many cases were removed from the waiting list without surgery (other removals) (tertiary and non-tertiary hospitals only) for each of the following categories:
- (i) admitted as emergency for waitlisted condition;
  - (ii) duplicate entry;
  - (iii) patient had procedure (e.g. GP or private hospital);
  - (iv) procedure performed during emergency admission for other condition; and
  - (v) transferred to another hospital,

for each of the periods:

- (A) 1 June 2005 to 31 December 2005;
- (B) 1 January 2006 to 31 December 2006; and
- (C) 1 January 2007 to 30 June 2007?

2702. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Consumer Protection

- (1) I refer to the Building Disputes Tribunal and ask how many complaints were received by the Tribunal for each of the following periods:
- (a) July 2004 to June 2005;
  - (b) July 2005 to June 2006; and
  - (c) July 2006 to June 2007?
- (2) In each of the above years, how many of these complaints resulted in remedial orders being issued by the Tribunal?

- (3) In each of the above years, how many of the remedial orders issued have not been satisfactorily dealt with?
- (4) What actions are available to the Building Disputes Tribunal when a remedial order is not complied with?

2703. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Emu Downs Wind Farm and ask:

- (a) what has been the energy output in megawatt hours of the wind farm for each month since its opening in 2006;
- (b) what percentage of the time has the wind farm been producing electricity at full capacity; and
- (c) what is the average production in megawatt hours of the wind farm since its opening?

2704. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for the Environment

- (1) Has the Minister received the results from the stakeholder symposiums held on the phase-out of highly soluble phosphate fertilisers from environmentally sensitive areas; and
  - (a) if not, when does the Minister expect to receive them; and
  - (b) if so, will a copy of the results be released to the Member for Capel?

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**PETER J. McHUGH**  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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