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8669. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Planning
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8671. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
8672. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister for Transport
8673. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister representing the Minister for Education

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8674. Mr F.M. Logan to the Minister for Water
8678. Mr J.J.M. Bowler to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy
8679. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

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8680. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Environment
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8682. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister for Police
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- 8687. Mr F.M. Logan to the Minister for Water
- 8688. Ms A.S. Carles to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Child Protection
- 8689. Ms A.S. Carles to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Community Services
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- 8705. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection; Community Services; Seniors and Volunteering; Women's Interests; Youth
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- 8712. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development; Corrective Services

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- 8713. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Transport
- 8714. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services
- 8715. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services
- 8716. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

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8717. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Culture and the Arts
8718. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Culture and the Arts
8719. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Transport
8720. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Tourism
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8724. Mr F.M. Logan to the Minister for Corrective Services
8725. Dr A.D. Buti to the Minister for Transport
8726. Dr A.D. Buti to the Minister for Sport and Recreation

Questions listed for this sitting: -

8727. Mr F.M. Logan to the Minister for Corrective Services

I refer to the growing number of complaints about the failure to reinstate the Aboriginal Visitor Scheme (AVS), and I ask:

- (a) why was the AVS cancelled or not continued with in the first place;
- (b) will the Minister reinstate the AVS and if not, why not;
- (c) if the AVS is to be reinstated, when will it be fully operational;
- (d) what was the total cost of the AVS at the time it was cancelled or not continued with;
- (e) what steps have the Department of Corrective Services taken to recruit AVS officers for the Greenough Regional Prison;
- (f) if the Department has had difficulties in recruiting AVS staff for the Greenough Prison, what were those difficulties;
- (g) with reference to the Minister's statement that other non-Aboriginal programs are adequate when compared with the AVS, what are those programs and why does the Minister deem them adequate when it appears clear they are not suitable for aboriginal prisoners from remote and non-English speaking backgrounds?

8728. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

- (1) Can the Minister provide a breakdown of the number of Kwinana residents who are enrolled at the Automotive Trades Training Centre TAFE in Kwinana?
- (2) Can the Minister provide a breakdown of the number of students who are enrolled at the Automotive Trades Training Centre TAFE in Kwinana who live outside the Kwinana area?

8729. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to the corporate SmartRider made available to all Department of Health employees with contracts of greater than 12 months on sites covered by the access and parking strategy across Perth metropolitan area hospitals, and ask:

- (a) how many employees are currently in receipt of the corporate SmartRider;
- (b) what percentage of eligible employees at each site are currently in receipt of a corporate SmartRider;
- (c) what has been the total cost to the Department of the scheme broken down by month since the scheme's inception in August 2011;

- (d) how many total employees have participated in the scheme broken down by month since the scheme's inception in August 2011;
- (e) what percentage of an employee's public transport costs does the corporate SmartRider cover;
- (f) has the Department surveyed employees at each site covered by the access and parking strategy to determine transport needs of staff for:
 - (i) how many staff regularly work shifts during hours in which public transport services are unavailable;
 - (ii) how long it takes each employee to commute to their workplace if travelling by private car;
 - (iii) how long it would take each employee to travel to work by public transport;
 - (iv) how many staff have to drop off, and or pick up children from child care and or school on their way to/from work and as such would find public transport unworkable; and
 - (v) how many staff live in areas not serviced by public transport; and
- (g) will the Department make publicly available the results of any transport surveys of staff at the above hospital sites and if not, why not?

8730. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to services for palliative care in Western Australia and ask:

- (a) why was the 3 year contract with the non-government organisation Palliative Care WA, which enabled them to employ a full time staff member and provide information to the public, media and health service organisations around end of life decisions and palliative care services, not renewed in February 2011;
- (b) what is total amount of operational funding the State Government spent on palliative care services in the last financial year;
- (c) what is the total amount of operational funding allocated in forward estimates for State Government spending on palliative care services for the financial years 2012–2013, 2013–2014, 2014–2015 and 2015–2016; and
- (d) as part of a 2008 election commitment, \$14 million has been spent over the past four years on improving palliative care services in Western Australia, including the Liverpool Care Pathway, new regional palliative care services and new ambulatory care consultation services, and I ask, what is the future of these programs for the next four years; and
 - (i) has money been allocated in forward estimates to ensure their continuation and if so, how much funding has been allocated for this purpose;
 - (ii) has the State Government received a business case for the continuation of these services and if so, what is the estimated cost per annum of their continuation; and
 - (iii) have these services been formally evaluated or reviewed and if so, what was the outcome or recommendation of the review?

8731. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to the Department of Health's use of private consultants and ask, for each financial year from 2008–2009 to 2011–2012 inclusive, can a breakdown be provided of the following:

- (a) the total expenditure received by the Department on private consultants;
- (b) the top ten highest paid companies in receipt of private consultant contracts with the Department;
- (c) the top ten highest paid individual consultants in receipt of contracts with the Department;

- (d) the number of Department employees who are or who have also been employed by companies that the Department has used;
- (e) how many Department employees who are or who have also been employed as private consultants by the Department;
- (f) details of probity checks undertaken on all employees who are or who have also been employed as private consultants by the Department, or who work for companies that the Department has employed; and
 - (i) if not available, why not; and
 - (ii) if so, will the government make public the findings of these probity checks;
- (g) the amount the Department spent in total on private public relations and communications firms;
- (h) the total recurrent cost of the Department's own public relations and communications staff;
- (i) the average hourly rate currently paid to the Department's own public relations and communications staff; and
- (j) the average hourly rate the Department is currently paying to external private public relations and communications companies for their services?

8732. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to answers to previous questions without notice where the Minister has indicated that he is committed to ensuring some sort of hospital-based general practice service is retained at Fremantle Hospital, which has existed there for over two decades, and I ask:

- (a) given the current general practice will vacate the hospital on 28 September 2012, what arrangements, if any, will be in place for patients who present to the hospital from this date onwards to see a general practitioner;
- (b) When will the State Government finalise negotiations with a new service provider to ensure that a general practice service continues to be based at the hospital;
- (c) considering that the Department took four months with the tender process at Fremantle Hospital earlier this year, only to award no tender, how long does the Department expect the residents of Fremantle to be without a hospital-based general practice service;
- (d) what steps, if any, has the Department already taken to ensure a new provider is in place as soon as possible, for example has it called for new tenders, has it invited other unsuccessful applicants in the earlier round to re-apply;
- (e) in relation to the Department's debt of approximately \$220,000 outstanding to the previous Fremantle Hospital General Practice, has that debt been resolved, and if not, when does the Minister anticipate the debt to be paid;
- (f) was Appendix 4 removed from the latest tender submission that was made by the Fremantle Hospital General Practice in the previous tender submission, which included letters of support from the Mayor of Fremantle, the former Minister for Health, the Dean of the Medical School and the Head of Mental Health at Fremantle Hospital;
- (g) will the removal of Appendix 4 be investigated further, and if necessary an apology made to both those who submitted letters of support for their submission being omitted, and to the Fremantle Hospital General Practice for the omission of their submission?

8733. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to the Patient Assisted Travel Scheme (PATs) over the last financial year, and I ask:

- (a) how much money has been spent by the State Government in total on PATs claims;

- (b) what was the total number of PATS claims (including PATS claims for interstate travel) that were approved;
- (c) how many of these claims were for intrastate travel, and how many were for interstate travel;
- (d) can the Minister provide a breakdown of the number of approved PATS claims by region for the last financial year;
- (e) what was the average amount received per PATS claim;
- (f) what was the maximum amount payable per PATS claim towards paid overnight accommodation (per night);
- (g) what was the average amount reimbursed per PATS claim towards paid overnight accommodation (per night);
- (h) what was the average actual, or costs paid by patients for paid overnight accommodation (per night);
- (i) what was the maximum amount payable for any individual PATS claim towards transport costs;
- (j) what is the average amount reimbursed per PATS claim towards transport; and
- (k) what was the average actual costs paid by patients for transport per PATS claim?

8734. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to the \$1.3 billion Southern Inland Health Initiative's (SIHI) capital works budget for major upgrades to regional hospitals, and I ask:

- (a) how much money is proposed to be spent on each of the following hospitals, broken down by hospital as part of the SIHI:
 - (i) Northam;
 - (ii) Merredin;
 - (iii) Narrogin;
 - (iv) Collie;
 - (v) Katanning; and
 - (vi) Manjimup;
- (b) what is the expected completion dates for capital works at each of the above hospitals, listed by hospital;
- (c) can the Minister provide a brief description of the scope of capital works being undertaken at each of the above hospitals with SIHI funding?

8735. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to the maternity wards at Bentley and Kaleeya Hospitals, and the Minister's statement that he will close the maternity ward at Kaleeya, and review the future of the maternity ward at Bentley based on the number of deliveries being performed at Bentley once Fiona Stanley Hospital is operational in early 2014, and I ask:

- (a) over what period of time will Bentley maternity ward be reviewed before making a decision around its retention or cessation;
- (b) what were the operational costs of the maternity ward at Bentley over the last financial year;
- (c) has the Department of Health allocated money in the budget forward estimates to cover the estimated operating costs of the Bentley maternity ward for beyond the 2013–2014 financial year and if not, why not;
- (d) has the Department of Health allocated money in budget forward estimates to cover the estimated operating costs of the Bentley maternity ward for 2014–2015 and 2015–

2016, to cover the scenario that demand still warrants Bentley's retention, and if not, why not;

- (e) what is the estimated cost of required refurbishments to the Bentley maternity ward, which I understand have been placed on hold until a decision will be made around its future;
- (f) if Bentley closes, will all low-risk births that would previously have fallen under the Bentley maternity ward be referred to Fiona Stanley Hospital, or will they be divided between Royal Perth, Armadale and Fiona Stanley, depending on which would be their closest public hospital with a maternity ward;
- (g) is the Minister aware that for some women in the Bentley Hospital feeder district, such as those living in Victoria Park, the trip to Fiona Stanley Hospital would take at least 20 minutes (during normal traffic conditions) whereas the trip to Bentley would take on average around only 5 minutes and that the extra commuting time required may provide additional stress to women during labour;
- (h) given that the Minister has cited that at 'around 1,000' births per annum a maternity service remains viable, and Kaleeya Hospital has been averaging around this number of births per annum over the past 5 years, will he reconsider his decision to close the maternity ward at Kaleeya, and if not, why not; and
- (i) what were the operational costs of the maternity ward at Kaleeya during the last financial year?

8736. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to all post natal depression (PND) services funded by the State Government and provided free of charge to new mothers and ask:

- (a) what PND services does the State Government currently provide;
- (b) what PND services does the State Government currently contract out to the non-government sector;
- (c) is the only in-patient residential PND service in the State based at King Edward Memorial Hospital (KEMH), or are there dedicated in-patient residential services for mothers experiencing PND, and if so where are they located;
- (d) what is the maximum capacity for the in-patient PND service at KEMH at any given time;
- (e) what is the average length of stay for women at this service;
- (f) what is average waiting time for women to access the in-patient PND residential service at KEMH once they are referred;
- (g) how many women are turned away from the in-patient PND residential service at KEMH due to capacity constraints;
- (h) how many people are currently on the waiting list to access the in-patient residential PND service;
- (i) is the Edinburgh survey the only diagnostic screening tool used by the Department of Health to determine whether or not they may be suffering PND;
- (j) how many times, and at what intervals, does the Department of Health undertake the Edinburgh survey with women after the birth of a baby;
- (k) is it true that the Edinburgh survey is normally only undertaken as part of general/regular recommended check-ups at birth, 6 weeks, 3–4 months, 8 months, 18 months and 3 years on the wellbeing and health of the baby, rather than as a stand-alone check-up focussing exclusively on the mental health of the new mother;
- (l) considering the shortage of child health nurses, and reports that only nine per cent of mothers and children are receiving the 3 year check-up, what is being done to ensure late onset PND is still being accurately screened;

- (m) what is the average waiting time for accessing outpatient services for PND at public hospitals, listed by hospital;
- (n) what is the average number of counselling sessions with a psychologist and/or psychiatrist for a woman experiencing PND in the public hospital system; and
- (o) what is the average cost per session of this treatment?

8737. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health

I refer to the September 2011 WA Country Health Service Report and the 2010 GHD building condition audit of the Tom Price and Paraburdoo Health Services, which identify a number of key areas in need of reform, and ask:

- (a) what has been the Government's response to the report's request to provide more accessible and more appropriate mental health services for the community;
- (b) what is the cost of providing a new and additional secure mental health bed at both Tom Price and Paraburdoo Hospital;
- (c) what is the Government's formal response to the building audit report;
- (d) what is the estimated cost of undertaking the necessary works to improve security and the emergency departments at Tom Price and Paraburdoo identified in the building audit report;
- (e) are there no longer any maternity delivery services at either of these hospitals and are women transferred to Hedland, Karratha or Perth to deliver babies;
- (f) when did both of these hospitals cease providing a maternity service;
- (g) how many babies were born to women, whose normal place of residence is within the Tom Price and Paraburdoo health service district, during each of the last four years;
- (h) has the Government undertaken any costings for providing a low-risk or midwifery birth service at Tom Price and if so, what is the estimated cost of such a service and how many birthing suites and maternity rooms would it entail;
- (i) what, if anything, is the Government doing to improve emergency response and trauma capacity at both Tom Price and Paraburdoo, and in particular their capacity to respond to mining site accidents?

8738. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Local Government

In relation to the Local Government Reform Implementation Group, I ask:

- (a) when did it last meet; and
- (b) what steps has the Minister taken to prioritise real practical reforms?

8739. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Local Government

In relation to the *The Journey: Sustainability into the Future*, the final report of the Western Australian Local Government Association's Systemic Sustainability Study process that involved more than four years of research, consultation and analysis, I ask:

- (a) has the Minister read the report;
- (b) if so, what is the Minister's position on the statement that a hidden feature of external intervention by state governments to force structural change, usually through amalgamations of local governments, is its distraction value;
- (c) has the Minister initiated any action on the recommendation that the local government sector seek a change to section 6.41(2)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1995* to increase a local government's flexibility to offer a monthly payment of property rates without an individual instalment notice; and
 - (i) if so, what action; and
 - (ii) if not, why not;

- (d) does the Department receive or have access to information on rates and charges levied by councils in Western Australia;
- (e) on page 41 of the report is the statement that in reviewing rates, it is common practice for local governments to reduce last year's rate in the dollar when valuations change to achieve a common percentage increase on the calculated revenue yield compared to the previous year. Can the Minister detail how many local governments reduced last year's rate in the dollar for their 2012 budgets?

8740. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Premier

In relation to grants awarded by Lotterywest for each of the years 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, I ask:

- (a) how many grants were awarded each year;
- (b) can the Premier please provide a detailed list of all grants awarded;
- (c) what was the amount of each grant;
- (d) what was the total amount for grants awarded in each year; and
- (e) who presented the cheque for each grant awarded?

8741. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Water

- (1) Is the Minister aware that the community at Jigalong is experiencing poor water quality with high levels of nitrates in two of their four working bores and very poor pressure in the remaining two working bores?
- (2) Is the Minister aware that there are good alternative water sources near Jigalong that can be equipped with bores and will then be ready to provide a reliable and healthy water supply to Jigalong?
- (3) Can the Minister direct his Department to investigate the supply of safe drinking water to the community at Jigalong without delay and if not, why not?

8742. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister representing the Attorney General

I refer to an emerging practice of nursing home proprietors or health professionals applying to the State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) for state guardianship of elderly and infirm patients in order to exclude relatives with capacity from participating in decisions on health care for their loved ones, and in some cases also seeking violence restraining orders, and I ask:

- (a) is the government aware of this issue;
- (b) what steps are being taken to investigate these matters;
- (c) is there the need for the SAT to undertake a review of these cases to identify emerging trends;
- (d) if not, is an independent review is warranted; and
- (e) if not, why not?

8743. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Treasurer

I refer to table 8.1 in 2012–13 Budget Paper no. 3, which sets out *Estimated Impact on the Standard "Representative" Household* and, in particular, to the note that the actual impact of the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) on household charges is to be confirmed by the Fire and Emergency Services Authority in June 2012, after property valuation data is finalised, and I ask:

- (a) has the Treasurer now acquired that data;
- (b) if so, what is the actual impact of ESL on a standard representative household;
- (c) how is that calculated;
- (d) in percentage terms, what is the actual change;
- (e) in monetary terms, what is the dollar change; and
- (f) in dollars, what is the 2012–2013 dollar level?

8744. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister representing the Minister for Finance

I refer to the government-wide maintenance contract with Spotless, and I ask:

- (a) what was the total amount of maintenance costs incurred by the Fire and Emergency Services Authority under this contract for each of the financial years 2009–2010, 2010–2011 and 2011–2012;
- (b) what is the standard charge under the contract for Building Management and Works contractors for the following:
 - (i) call out;
 - (ii) changing a washer on a tap;
 - (iii) changing a light globe;
 - (iv) installing a lock on a door; and
 - (v) fixing a broken window;
- (c) can the Minister confirm that under the terms of the existing contract, none of these minor repairs can be undertaken by officers in the station?

8745. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Housing

I refer to the site of the former Hainsworth Primary School in Girrawheen, earmarked for development by the Department of Housing, and I ask:

- (a) when will a structure plan be submitted to the City of Wanneroo;
- (b) has a builder or developer been given the contract to develop the site and if not, when do you anticipate this will occur;
- (c) at what stage will community consultation occur about the proposals for the site;
- (d) what form will that consultation take;
- (e) will it be necessary to get agreement from the Department for Education of the structure plan before proceeding;
- (f) is it intended this development be for public or private housing;
- (g) how many dwellings are presently envisaged;
- (h) in the meantime, what steps are being taken to secure the site properly, to keep it clear and to prevent arson; and
- (i) what are the projections for the project to be finished?

8746. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister representing the Minister for Seniors and Volunteering

I refer to an emerging practice of nursing home proprietors or health professionals applying to the State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) for state guardianship of elderly and infirm patients in order to exclude relatives with capacity from participating in decisions on health care for their loved ones, and in some cases also seeking violence restraining orders, and I ask:

- (a) is the government aware of this issue;
- (b) what steps is the Minister taking to address this issue;
- (c) has the Minister raised the issue with the Attorney General or the Minister for Health; and
- (d) if not, why not?

8747. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister representing the Minister for Education

- (1) How many future school sites does the Department of Education have in Landsdale?
- (2) What is the location of each?
- (3) What is the area of each?
- (4) What is the plan for each site?

- (5) What is the time frame for use of each site?
- (6) Is it proposed to dispose of any site in the Landsdale area?
- (7) If so, what is its current value?

8748. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister representing the Minister for Commerce

I refer to a report on prepaid funerals currently with government, and I ask what measures is the Minister intending to take to protect the funds held for prepaid funerals; and

- (a) if the Minister intends to take measures, what is the time frame; and
- (b) if no measures are to be taken, why not?

8749. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister representing the Minister for Commerce

I refer to a report commissioned by government into certain activities of Retirees WA, and ask:

- (a) what is the current status of that report;
- (b) when did the Minister receive it;
- (c) what action, if any, does the Minister intend to take as a consequence of the findings of the report; and
- (d) if the Minister does not intend to take any action, why not?

8750. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Environment

For the financial years 2008–2009, 2009–2010, 2010–2011 and 2011–2012,

- (a) how many days were taken by staff for sick leave at the Department of Environment;
- (b) how staff availed themselves of the employment assistance plan;
- (c) how many grievances were lodged by the Department?

8751. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Environment

- (1) How much money is being invested by the State Government into research of the behaviour of fires in coastal heath?
- (2) If such research is being funded, who is conducting the research?
- (3) When is the research expected to be finalised?

8752. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Environment

I refer to the Minister's concession that he did not sight the September 2011 report by Integral Development and Lynda Folan into the Department of Environment and Conservation's succession planning until February 2012, and I ask:

- (a) what is the nature of any pre-fire season briefing that the Minister will receive from the Department this year; and
- (b) what measures will the Minister initiate to ensure that he is fully informed?

8753. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Environment

I refer to the fires at Margaret River in November 2011, and I ask:

- (a) since then, on how many occasions has the Department of Environment sought legal advice from the State Solicitor on issues arising from those fires;
- (b) please list the dates on which advice was sought and obtained;
- (c) since then, on how many occasions has the Department of Environment sought other legal advice on issues arising from those fires; and
 - (i) who provided the legal advice; and
 - (ii) please list the dates on which the advice was sought and obtained; and
- (d) what is the approximate total cost of legal advice given?

8754. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

I refer to the Auditor General's report into the Blue Iris closed-circuit television project, and I ask:

- (a) how many personnel, sworn and unsworn, are currently working on this project;
- (b) are those staff working full or part time;
- (c) has the identified deficiency of 7,000 businesses not being on the register been remedied;
- (d) if not, why not; and
- (e) what work has been done with the Public Transport Authority to integrate its network onto the register?

8755. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

I refer to move on notices issued pursuant to section 27 of the *Criminal Investigation Act 2006*, and ask:

- (a) since 20 September 2011:
 - (i) how many move on notices were issued;
 - (ii) how many move on notices had ethnicity recorded;
 - (iii) of the move on notices where ethnicity was recorded, how many were issued against each category of ethnic appearance that is available on the recording system;
 - (iv) how many move on notices were issued for a period longer than 20 hours;
 - (v) how many move on notices were issued against a person under 18 years of age;
 - (vi) how many people were charged with breach of a move on notice;
 - (vii) how many of these had ethnicity recorded;
 - (viii) of the charges for breach of a move on notice where ethnicity was recorded, how many were laid against each category of ethnic appearance that is available on the recording system;
 - (ix) how many people under 18 years of age were charged with breach of a move on notice;
 - (x) how many move on notices were issued against people attending a protest, march or rally; and
 - (xi) how many people attending a protest, march or rally were charged with breach of a move on notice;
- (b) what training do police officers receive in respect of move on notices:
 - (i) generally;
 - (ii) in relation to issuing a move on notice against a person of non-caucasian ethnicity;
 - (iii) in relation to the length of time specified in a move on notice;
 - (iv) in relation to the geographical boundaries specified in a move on notice;
 - (v) in relation to issuing a move on notice where breach of the notice would expose a person to a higher penalty than that for the conduct for which the move on notice would be issued; and
 - (vi) in relation to issuing, or declaring an intention to issue, a move on notice against a person attending a protest, march or rally; and
- (c) how often is training provided to police officers in respect of move on notices?

8756. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

Can the Minister advise the number of motor vehicle theft offences for each financial year from 2008–2009 to 2011–2012 inclusive, for each of the following suburbs:

- (a) Marangaroo;
- (b) Warwick;
- (c) Girrawheen;
- (d) Darch;
- (e) Madeley; and
- (f) Landsdale?

8757. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

- (1) How many brothels are in operation, according to police records and intelligence;
 - (a) in the metropolitan area; and
 - (b) in regional areas?
- (2) Do the police keep records of who owns and manages each brothel?
- (3) Do these brothels operate contrary to the Criminal Code or the *Prostitution Act 2000*; and
 - (a) if so, why do the police allow them to operate?
- (4) When was the ‘containment policy’ abandoned?

8758. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

I refer to the number of detectives deployed in the North West metropolitan region, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister indicate how many were working in that region in:
 - (i) 2009–2010;
 - (ii) 2010–2011; and
 - (iii) 2011–2012;
- (b) if the numbers of detectives are decreasing, what is the reason for the decrease; and
- (c) what measures are being taken to restore the appropriate levels of staffing?

8759. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

Can the Minister advise the number of burglary offences for each financial year from 2008–2009 to 2011–2012 inclusive, for each of the following suburbs:

- (a) Marangaroo;
- (b) Warwick;
- (c) Girrawheen;
- (d) Darch;
- (e) Madeley; and
- (f) Landsdale?

8760. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

I refer to the 2010 New South Wales Supreme Court decision in *Doherty v the State of NSW*, where a former police officer was awarded significant damages for post-traumatic stress disorder, and I ask:

- (a) as a result of that decision, what additional measures, if any, were taken to insulate WA Police from similar claims arising here;
- (b) did WA Police seek legal advice about this decision’s implications from the State Solicitor; and
- (c) if not, why not?

8761. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

Can the Minister advise the number of persons charged with so called hoon offences for each financial year from 2008–2009 to 2011–2012 inclusive, for each of the following suburbs:

- (a) Marangaroo;
- (b) Warwick;
- (c) Girrawheen;
- (d) Darch;
- (e) Madeley; and
- (f) Landsdale?

8762. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police

How many cases of assault against a senior (over the age of 65) have been reported to police in each of the following years:

- (a) 2008;
- (b) 2009;
- (c) 2010;
- (d) 2011; and
- (e) 2012 to date?

8763. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Health

- (1) What is the average waiting time for an appointment for a child health nurse to see a newborn baby in the North Metropolitan region?
- (2) What is the average waiting time for a child health nurse to conduct a follow up visit to a baby in North Metropolitan region?
- (3) Of the recently announced additional child health nurses, how many are allocated to the North Metropolitan region?

8764. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Health

I refer to the construction of the parking facility at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, and I ask:

- (a) has the Minister met with the proponents at any stage;
- (b) if so, when and for what purpose;
- (c) has the Minister at any time met with any of the principals of Capella Capital; and
- (d) if so, when and for what reason?

8765. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Health

I refer to assessments undertaken by the Home and Community Care (HACC) program and ask:

- (a) what specialised training, if any, do assessors receive in relation to dementia;
- (b) do HACC assessors refer such cases to other specialist agencies for assessment; and
- (c) if so, how many such referrals occurred in the last calendar year?

8766. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Health

- (1) What is the current waiting list at Warwick dental clinic?
- (2) What is the average waiting time to receive treatment at that clinic?

8767. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Health

- (1) At what stage is the proposal to establish a stroke unit at Joondalup Hospital?
- (2) If not under current consideration, at what point would such a unit in that location be warranted?

8768. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Health

- (1) can the Minister confirm that the Department is currently in negotiations with Health Solutions (WA) Pty Ltd for the renewal of the Peel Health Campus contract?
- (2) When is it anticipated that negotiations will be finalised?
- (3) What is the term for renewal under consideration?
- (4) If more than ten years, is the duration the standard length of term offered for such contracts?
- (5) If not, why not?

8769. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Premier

I refer to recommendation 10 of the Keelty Margaret River report which notes the Government should consider enacting legislation to facilitate the review of all future major incidents, including but not limited to fire, earthquake, storm and marine inundation, and the emergency response to them, and I ask:

- (a) what action has been taken in respect of this recommendation;
- (b) if none, why not; and
- (c) if legislation is proposed, why has it not been given greater priority?

8770. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Premier

Can the Premier outline whether his government has a population policy and if so, where it can be located?

8771. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

I refer to plans to build a career fire station at Australind, and I ask:-

- (a) has an alternative site been found;
- (b) has that site been acquired;
- (c) what is the location of the site;
- (d) when will building commence;
- (e) what is the budgeted cost for the station; and
- (f) when is it anticipated that the station will open and be operational?

8772. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

- (1) What current arrangements exist for implementing Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) policies within the Fire and Emergency Services Authority volunteer ranks?
- (2) What consultations have taken place with volunteers on OHS?
- (3) As a result of any such consultations, what additional measures have been taken or are proposed to be taken?

8773. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

For the financial years 2008–2009, 2009–2010, 2010–2011 and 2011–2012:

- (a) how many days were taken by staff for sick leave at the Fire and Emergency Services Authority (FESA);
- (b) how many staff availed themselves of the employment assistance plan; and
- (c) how many grievances were lodged by FESA staff?

8774. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

- (1) Please provide details of major information technology upgrades and changes within the Emergency Services Department over the next 12 months?
- (2) What is the purpose of each of these changes?
- (3) What is the approximate cost of each?

8775. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

I refer to occupational health and safety (OHS) arrangements at the Fire and Emergency Services Authority, and ask:

- (a) what is the current procedure for resolving OHS issues;
- (b) how many complaints have been received in the past 12 months;
- (c) how many of these have been actioned with remedial action taken;
- (d) how many provisional improvement notices (PINS) have been issued in the last 12 months;
- (e) of those PINS, how many have been remedied and how many remain outstanding; and
- (f) do these procedures apply to Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service volunteers and if not, what arrangements apply to those personnel?

8776. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

- (1) How many fire appliances are in service with the Fire and Rescue Service (FRS) in Western Australia?
- (2) How many fire appliances are in service with the Bush Fire Brigade (BFB) in Western Australia?
- (3) Where are these appliances in service?
- (4) How many of these appliances have in excess of 100,000 kilometres on the odometer?
- (5) How many have done in excess of 200,000 kilometres?
- (6) How many have done in excess of 300,000 kilometres?
- (7) How many of these vehicles do not have air-conditioning in the cabs?

8777. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

I refer to table 8.1 in 2012–2013 Budget Paper no. 3 which sets out *Estimated Impact on the Standard “Representative” Household* and, in particular, to the note that the actual impact of the Emergency Services Levy (ESL) on household charges is to be confirmed by the Fire and Emergency Services Authority in June 2012, after property valuation data is finalised, and I ask:

- (a) has the Minister now acquired that data;
- (b) if so, what is the actual impact of ESL on a standard representative household;
- (c) how is that calculated;
- (d) in percentage terms, what is the actual change;
- (e) in monetary terms, what is the dollar change; and
- (f) in dollars, what is the 2012–2013 dollar level?

8778. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

I refer to the change of status of the Fire and Emergency Services Authority to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services, and I ask:

- (a) what administrative changes have had to be made to accommodate this change in status;
- (b) what is the amount which has been set aside to accommodate these changes; and
- (c) how much is required to be spent on new letterhead, badging, logos, websites, new graphics and like expenditure?

8779. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

I refer to the recent revelations about fire fighter training at Fiskville ,Victoria, concerning the use of chemicals in that training between 1971 and 1999, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister advise as to whether similar practices occurred at Forrestfield Training Centre in Western Australia;
- (b) if so, over what time were these practices engaged in;
- (c) what measures, if any, are being taken to assess those potentially exposed to toxic and/or carcinogenic substances whilst undergoing training;
- (d) if none, why not;
- (e) has the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) consulted with the Fire and Emergency Services Authority at any stage about remediation of whole or part of the Forrestfield site; and
- (f) if so, what were the EPA findings or recommendations?

8780. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many full-time equivalents were engaged by Horizon Power on each of the following dates:
 - (a) 30 June 2008;
 - (b) 30 June 2009;
 - (c) 30 June 2010;
 - (d) 30 June 2011; and
 - (e) 30 June 2012?
- (2) Of these, how many were direct employees and how many were contractors?

8781. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many full-time equivalents were engaged by Western Power on each of the following dates:
 - (a) 30 June 2008;
 - (b) 30 June 2009;
 - (c) 30 June 2010;
 - (d) 30 June 2011; and
 - (e) 30 June 2012?
- (2) Of these, how many were direct employees and how many were contractors?

8782. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many full-time equivalents were engaged by Synergy on each of the following dates:
 - (a) 30 June 2008;
 - (b) 30 June 2009;
 - (c) 30 June 2010;
 - (d) 30 June 2011; and
 - (e) 30 June 2012?
- (2) Of these, how many were direct employees and how many were contractors?

8783. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many full-time equivalents were engaged by Verve on each of the following dates:
 - (a) 30 June 2008;
 - (b) 30 June 2009;

- (c) 30 June 2010;
- (d) 30 June 2011; and
- (e) 30 June 2012?

(2) Of these, how many were direct employees and how many were contractors?

8784. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Transport

With respect to the freight rail lines from Forrestfield to Fremantle Port via Yangebup:

- (a) what investigation has the Department of Transport performed to enable this freight line to carry passengers from Midland to Fremantle via Perth and Jandakot airports and interchanges at Thornlie and Cockburn;
- (b) who owns the above rail line from Midland to Fremantle and Naval Base;
- (c) what prevents this line from being electrified and adding the associated signalling and stations;
- (d) what is preventing the line from Fremantle Port to Yangebup from being duplicated in both standard and narrow gauge;
- (e) has any costing been performed on the above points;
- (f) what is the tonnage of freight carried on this rail line compared to that carried by truck on Leach Highway;
- (g) what planning has the Department of Transport undertaken to remove freight from road transport to rail between Kewdale and Fremantle Port;
- (h) what planning has the Department of Transport performed to enable containers to move from Kewdale onto the wharf at Robb's Jetty, Naval Base to prevent an additional unload/load; and
- (i) what is the outcome of any of these investigations?

8785. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Transport

- (1) How many warehouses or transport agencies in the Kewdale and Welshpool have rail freight access onto their property?
- (2) How many of these currently use rail freight directly onto or from their property?
- (3) What consideration has been given, by government or private proponents, to the extension of rail freight lines to other properties in this region?

8786. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Housing

- (1) Does the property at 22 Osborne Street, Joondanna belong to the Department of Housing?
- (2) What was the date when it last had a tenant residing there?
- (3) Why has the home at this address been vacant for so long?
- (4) What is the Department planning to do with this property?
- (5) By what date is it anticipated that some use will be made of this vacant property?

8787. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Housing

- (1) Does the property at 84 Osborne Street, Joondanna belong to the Department of Housing?
- (2) What was the date when it last had a tenant residing there?
- (3) Why has the home at this address been vacant for so long?
- (4) What is the Department planning to do with this property?
- (5) By what date is it anticipated that some use will be made of this vacant property?

8788. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Housing

- (1) What has been the average weekly rental charge for Department of Housing properties at:
 - (a) 30 June 2008;
 - (b) 30 June 2009;
 - (c) 30 June 2010;
 - (d) 30 June 2011; and
 - (e) 30 June 2012?
- (2) What has been the maximum weekly rental charge for Department of Housing properties at:
 - (a) 30 June 2008;
 - (b) 30 June 2009;
 - (c) 30 June 2010;
 - (d) 30 June 2011; and
 - (e) 30 June 2012?

8789. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

Will the Minister request Synergy to print on their residential electricity bills the anticipated annual cost as well as the average daily cost of the electricity consumed for a given billing period, and if not, why not?

8790. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) What is the average amount of carbon dioxide produced for each kilowatt hour of electricity fed into the South West Interconnected System?
- (2) How is this calculated?
- (3) Why does this vary from the Department of Climate Change and Energy's estimate of 920 grams of carbon dioxide produced for every kilowatt hour of electricity?

8791. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How much is the 'Switch to the future' advertising campaign costing?
- (2) What is the anticipated duration of the 'Switch to the future' advertising campaign?
- (3) How is this expenditure justified as cost effective compared to alternatives, such as encouraging consumers to use Smart Power?

8792. Mr M.P. Whitely to the Minister for Planning

I refer to the answer to Question on Notice No. 8456 regarding the Ashfield Precinct Plan in the forward estimates, and I ask, has funding been committed in the forward estimates towards the implementation of the Ashfield Precinct Plan; and

- (a) if yes, then how much and over what time period; and
- (b) if no:
 - (i) why not; and
 - (ii) when will funding be committed?

8793. Mr M.P. Whitely to the Minister for Housing

What is the mean average and median average waiting times for applicant placement in:

- (a) public housing for:
 - (i) those on the general waiting list; and
 - (ii) those on the priority waiting list; and

- (b) HomesWest accommodation for:
 - (i) those on the general waiting list; and
 - (ii) those on the priority waiting list?

8794. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister for Police

Will the Minister provide an itemised list of where the \$21 million efficiency dividend from the 2012–2013 Budget is being cut from the Police budget, and if not, why not?

8795. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister for Police

- (1) On what date did WA Police and the Treasury reach agreement on a draft resource agreement?
- (2) What date did the draft resource agreement become the agreed resource agreement for this financial year?
- (3) On what date did Police Commissioner Karl O’Callaghan sign the resource agreement that is in place for the current financial year?
- (4) Did Police Commissioner Karl O’Callaghan sign any earlier draft resource agreements and if so, on what date or dates?
- (5) On what date did the Treasurer sign the resource agreement that is in place for the current financial year?
- (6) Was the agreed resource agreement for this financial year fully drafted by WA Police?
- (7) If not, roughly what percentage of the agreement was drafted by WA Police?

8796. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister for Police

- (1) Did WA Police receive a written request from the Treasurer to provide a draft resource agreement this year?
- (2) If yes, on what date was it requested and on what date was the draft agreement sent to Treasury and/or the Treasurer?
- (3) Did the Treasurer at any point refer a draft resource agreement back to WA Police?
- (4) If so, on what dates and what matters or details did the Treasurer ask WA Police to further consider or revise?
- (5) Did WA Police and the Treasurer try to reach an agreement on a resource agreement before the start of this financial year?
- (6) If so, what evidence can the Minister provide of this?

8797. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister for Police

- (1) On what date did WA Police first provide the Minister or her office with a draft resource agreement?
- (2) On what date did WA Police first provide the Minister or her office with a copy of the agreed resource agreement?
- (3) On what date or dates did the Minister give her approval to any draft resource agreement or agreements?
- (4) Will the Minister table a copy of the final resource agreement?
- (5) If not why not?
- (6) Has the Commissioner of Police agreed to the \$21 million efficiency dividend?

8798. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister for Police

- (1) If WA Police and the Treasurer did not reach an agreement on a draft resource agreement by one month before the start of the financial year, were WA Police directed in writing by the Treasurer to take specified steps in relation to the draft resource agreement?
- (2) If so, what were those specified steps and on what date was the date was the Treasurer’s correspondence received by WA Police?

- (3) On what date did WA Police respond in writing to any such direction?
- (4) If the Treasurer and WA Police did not reach an agreement on a draft resource agreement by one month before the start of the financial year, were WA Police directed in writing by the Treasurer to make specified modifications to the draft resource agreement?
- (5) If so, what modifications were directed to be made and on what date was the Treasurer's correspondence received by WA Police?
- (6) On what date did WA Police respond in writing to any such direction?
- (7) Will the Minister table any correspondence that was sent to the Treasurer in response to any directions that were made by Treasury with respect to the draft resource agreement?
- (8) Did WA Police have approval to provide a draft resource agreement to the Treasurer on a date later than the commencement of the financial year?
- (9) If so, on what date did they receive that approval and what was the date that the Treasurer required WA Police to comply with?
- (10) Did WA Police meet that date?
- (11) If not on what date did Police provide a modified draft resource agreement?
- (12) Were any further directions made by the Treasurer to WA Police for later dates of compliance in providing a draft resource agreement?
- (13) On how many occasions and on what dates was the draft resource agreement returned to WA Police?
- (14) On how many occasions and on what dates was a draft resource agreement resubmitted to the Treasurer by WA Police?

8799. Mr P.C. Tinley to the Minister for Housing

With reference to the key performance indicators (KPI) under the head contractor model of Homeswest housing maintenance for jobs to be completed within required time frames and ask:

- (a) what was the KPI for emergency work by region in 2011–2012;
- (b) what is the KPI for emergency work by region for the current financial year as at 31 August 2012;
- (c) what was the KPI for priority work by region in 2011–2012;
- (d) what is the current KPI for priority work by region for the current financial year as at 31 August 2012;
- (e) what was the KPI for routine work by region in 2011–2012;
- (f) what is the KPI for routine work by region for the current financial year as at 31 August 2012;
- (g) in addition to KPI measurements against emergency, priority and routine work, what other KPIs are used to measure the performance of the head contractors in delivering Homeswest housing maintenance services, and how have the head contractors performed against each of these KPIs;
- (h) what was the total compliance across all KPI areas by region in 2011–2012;
- (i) what is the total compliance across all KPI areas by region as at 31 August 2012; and
- (j) have there been any changes to the way in which any of these KPIs are measured, and if yes, what changes?

8800. Mr P.C. Tinley to the Minister for Housing

I refer to the Department of Housing's head contractor model of housing maintenance, and I ask:

- (a) does the Department have a system or contractual requirement in place to ensure that a head contractor who has been paid for maintenance work by the Department must then pay the subcontractor for that work and if yes, how does the Department monitor and enforce this requirement;
- (b) does the Department have any system or contractual requirement in place to ensure that subcontractors who are paid by the head contractor for work must then pay the sub-subcontractor and if yes, how does the Department monitor and enforce this requirement;
- (c) what consideration or planning was given by the Department to ensure that all levels of contractors and subcontractors under the housing maintenance head contractor model would be paid and that there was accountability and transparency in this process;
- (d) is the Department aware of reports that some housing maintenance sub-subcontractors are claiming to be owed considerable amounts of money (up to \$200,000) for work performed under the head contractor model of housing maintenance;
- (e) what is the Department doing to address non-payment issues by the head contractor to subcontractors;
- (f) what is the Department doing to address non-payment issues by subcontractors to sub-subcontractors;
- (g) who is liable under the head contractor model of housing maintenance if a head contractor or subcontractor has been paid for work but the subcontractor who actually performed the work has not been paid; and
- (h) sub-subcontractors pursuing money owed to them report that they are told by the subcontractor that it is because the head contractor has not paid them. How are sub-subcontractors able to determine whether the head-contractor has paid the subcontractor for the money owed to them as sub-subcontractors, and what is the Department's obligation to enforce payment under this scenario?

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