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365. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions management of 292 recovery plans for critically endangered and endangered taxa and ecological communities, and I ask, what level of recurrent funding is allocated to drafting, implementing and evaluating the success of these plans for each year of the forward estimates?

366. Hon James Hayward to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General:

I refer to Family Court operations, and I ask:

- (a) what was the average wait time for a family court case to come before a judge in Bunbury;
- (b) has the Attorney General received any complaints in relation to the time it takes until a case can be heard by the Family Court in Western Australia;
- (c) is the Attorney General concerned that delays in Family Court matters can have significant impacts on the lives of affected parties; and
- (d) are there any plans to increase funding for the Family Court with the view to reducing wait times?

367. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the media statement from 24 October 2021 titled "More COVID-19 vaccination clinics popping up across WA", the Commonwealth's Local Government Area and SA4 Geographic Area data released on 25 October 2021, and question without notice 817 asked on 14 October 2021 by Hon Colin de Grussa, and I ask:

- (a) given the most recent Commonwealth data identifies communities in the Goldfields, Pilbara and Kimberley as having some of the lowest vaccination rates in Australia, when will the State Government establish permanent community vaccination clinics in these regions;
- (b) noting the State Government's \$5.8 billion budget surplus, what additional measures or incentives is the State Government considering to ensure regional communities have access to vaccinations in a timely manner; and
- (c) has the Commonwealth responded to WA Health's request for increased access to information about vaccination rates in remote communities, particularly those which are not identified in the SA4 data and, if so, please table the response?

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I refer to the Employee Assistance Programme provided by the Western Australia Police Force, and I ask, will the Minister provide a list of service providers that are used for this service and, if not, why not?

369. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment:

Under the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*, the Minister may by order list specially protected species, threatened species, extinct species, threatened ecological communities and collapsed ecological communities. The last notices published in the Government Gazette for threatened flora, specially protected fauna and threatened fauna was on 11 September 2018 under the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950, as listed on the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions website. I ask the Minister to provide:

- (a) the dates that the Threatened Species Scientific Committee met in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021;
- (b) the dates that the Threatened Ecological Communities Scientific Committee met in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021;
- (c) the dates, between 1 January 2016 to 27 October 2021, that the Threatened Species Scientific Committee provided the Minister, or the Department, with advice on the listing of:
 - (i) threatened species;
 - (ii) extinct species;
 - (iii) priority species; and
 - (iv) specially protected species; and
- (d) the dates, between 1 January 2016 and 27 October 2021, that the Threatened Ecological Communities Scientific Committee provided advice to the Minister, or the Department, on listing of:
 - (i) threatened ecological communities; and
 - (ii) collapsed communities?

370. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to Computed Tomography (CT) scanners owned and operated by the Department of Health and its area health services in Western Australia, and I ask:

- (a) in what locations are publicly owned and operated CT scanners operating;
- (b) of those identified in (a), will the Minister please list the slice capability of each machine;
- (c) what is the approximate cost for a new 64 and 128 slice CT scanner; and

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- (d) given the 6 billion dollar surplus in 2020-21 has the Government funded any new CT scanners in the forward estimates?

371. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the Merredin Hospital, and I ask:

- (a) for each month in 2021 to date, how many patient transfers were required for imaging purposes and to which hospital(s) were they transferred;
- (b) by each month in (a), how many patients were transferred for each of the following reasons:
- (i) computed tomography (CT) scans;
 - (ii) other radiology; and
 - (iii) other;
- (c) what are the current radiology capabilities at Merredin Hospital, by FTE; and
- (d) what WACHS hospitals are serviced by Merredin Hospital for their radiology needs?

372. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the recruitment of overseas health professionals for the years 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22, and I ask:

- (a) how many nurses arrived from overseas under contract or entering into a contract for at least three months:
- (i) of those nurses, how many still work in the Western Australian health system;
 - (ii) of those nurses, how many stayed longer than their initial contract;
 - (iii) for (i) and (ii), please identify the number of nurses by nation of origin;
 - (iv) for (i) and (ii), please identify the number of nurse-midwives; and
 - (v) did any of these nurses seek further qualifications in Western Australia:
 - (A) if known, please detail the number who sought further study;
- (b) how many doctors arrived from overseas under contract or entering into a contract for at least three months:
- (i) of those doctors, how many still work in the Western Australian health system;
 - (ii) of those doctors, how many stayed longer than their initial contract;
 - (iii) for (i) and (ii), please identify the number of doctors by nation of origin; and
 - (iv) did any of these doctors seek further qualifications in Western Australia:
 - (A) if known, please detail the number who sought further study;

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- (c) how many midwives arrived from overseas under contract or entering into a contract for at least three months:
 - (i) of those midwives, how many still work in the Western Australian health system;
 - (ii) of those midwives, how many stayed longer than their initial contract; and
 - (iii) for (i) and (ii), please identify the number of midwives by nation of origin;
- (d) how many allied health professionals (such as dentists, physiotherapists, etc.) arrived from overseas under contract or entering into a contract for at least three months:
 - (i) of those allied health professionals, how many still work in the Western Australian health system;
 - (ii) of those allied health professionals, how many stayed longer than their initial contract; and
 - (iii) for (i) and (ii), please identify the number of allied health professionals by nation of origin; and
- (e) for (a) – (d), what was the cost for each occupation?

373. Hon James Hayward to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to the Premier's visit to the Collie Preston Electorate on 26 October 2021, and I ask:

- (a) on what date, at what time and by what means were the following local Members of Parliament notified of the Premier's visit:
 - (i) Hon James Hayward;
 - (ii) Hon Steve Thomas;
 - (iii) Hon Sophia Moermond;
 - (iv) Hon Jackie Jarvis;
 - (v) Hon Alannah MacTiernan; and
 - (vi) Hon Sally Talbot;
- (b) please provide an unredacted copy of the Premier's itinerary and travel arrangements for 26 October 2021;
- (c) please provide all briefing notes and advice provided to the Premier in relation to meetings, functions and other commitments undertaken by him on 26 October 2021; and
- (d) who accompanied the Premier during the visit and at each meeting, function or other commitment?

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374. Hon Wilson Tucker to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to statements in the media and elsewhere by the Minister, and I quote "There is no State Government requirement for school chaplains to be of faith." In the Minister's previous response to a question on notice in September, the Minister stated that "Schools can choose one of three service providers that have an agreement with the Department of Education, or they have the option to purchase chaplaincy services from an alternative provider of their choice.", and I ask:

- (a) can you please provide a list of chaplaincy service providers in Western Australia, other than the three listed on the Education Department website;
- (b) how many chaplains are employed in public schools this year through these alternative providers;
- (c) if a public school decides to purchase a chaplain through an alternative provider, can the school still access chaplaincy funding through the State Government and/or the National School Chaplaincy Program; and
- (d) how does the Education Department assist/enable public schools to recruit a chaplain who is not recruited on the basis of faith affiliation if they wish to do so?

375. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

376. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

377. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Education and Training:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

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378. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Finance:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

379. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Lands:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

380. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

381. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

382. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Commerce:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

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383. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Emergency Services:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

384. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Leader of the House representing the Premier; Minister for Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

385. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Medical Research; Science:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

386. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Mental Health; Aboriginal Affairs; Industrial Relations:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

387. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Hydrogen Industry:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

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388. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Tourism; Culture and the Arts; Heritage:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

389. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General; Minister for Electoral Affairs:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

390. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Police; Road Safety:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

391. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Defence Industry; Veterans Issues:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

392. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Energy; Corrective Services:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

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393. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Transport; Planning; Ports:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

394. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

395. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Water; Forestry; Youth:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

396. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment; Climate Action:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

397. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing; Local Government:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

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398. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Disability Services; Fisheries; Innovation and ICT; Seniors and Ageing:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

399. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Racing and Gaming; Small Business; Volunteering:

Between the dates 18 March 2021 and 29 October 2021, I ask:

- (a) how many pieces of official correspondence have you sent through your Ministerial office to Federal Ministers; and
- (b) for all correspondence in (a), please identify how many were sent in each of your ministerial capacities?

400. Hon Colin de Grussa to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Fisheries:

I refer to the managed fisheries licences in operation in Western Australian fisheries, and I ask the Minister to provide:

- (a) the number of managed fisheries licences issued for each managed fishery in Western Australia;
- (b) the number of managed fishery licences and entitlements issued for each managed fishery that have not been actively fished during a 12 month fishing season based on a licensing period of 12 months using the most recent period data available for each of the fisheries;
- (c) the number of managed fishing licences and entitlements issued for each managed fishery that have been actively fished during a 12 month fishing season based on a licensing period of 12 months using the most recent period data available for each of the fisheries;
- (d) the number of managed fishing licences and entitlements issued for each managed fishery that are transferred to another licence holder to be utilised by another fishing unit within a 12 month licensing period using the most recent period data available for each of the fisheries; and
- (e) the number of Western Australian registered active primary fishing units (vessels which have operated in a Western Australian fishery or multiple fisheries for six months or longer, including those that also fish in a Western Australian fishery and also in an interstate or commonwealth managed fishery) based on the same period used in providing answers to questions (a) to (d)?

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401. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:

- (1) How many permanent staff, by headcount, in the Department of Education required placement as at 30 June 2021?
- (2) For those staff referenced in (1), will the Minister provide a breakdown across all categories, including teachers, education assistants, school support staff, administration and staff from central and regional offices?

402. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training:

Can the Minister provide a breakdown, by headcount and FTE, the total number of school teachers employed by the Department of Education in Western Australian government primary and secondary schools in the following years:

- (a) 2019;
- (b) 2020; and
- (c) 2021 to date?

NIGEL PRATT

Clerk of the Legislative Council