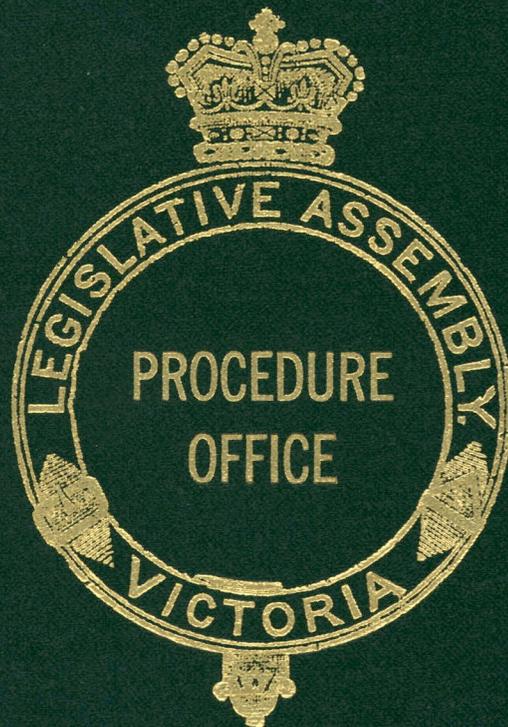


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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 45

Tuesday 2 March 2004

- 394 **TRANSPORT MURAL AT SPENCER STREET STATION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport — what plans does the Government have to relocate the heritage-listed mural by Harold Freedman and David Jack, from the Victorian State Studio, which notes the significant transport modes of the first 100 years of settlement in Victoria to an appropriate public place.
- 395 **CHIEF JUSTICE APPOINTMENT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the recent appointment of the new Chief Justice which followed a period of public advertising — how much money was spent advertising the position in —
- (1) Victoria.
 - (2) Tasmania.
 - (3) South Australia.
 - (4) Western Australia.
 - (5) Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.
 - (6) Queensland.
 - (7) New South Wales.
- 396 **BUSH NURSING CENTRES IN VICTORIA** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care —
- (1) To provide a list of the Centres which have been funded by the Department of Human Services.
 - (2) To provide details of the value of administration grants paid to each Centre.

397 **SCHOOL SERVICES OFFICERS (SSO)** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

397a Minister for Education Services

397b Minister for Education and Training

- (1) What percentage of SSO vacancies listed in the Education Times include contract positions which are filled by the incumbent holder of the contract in the previous year.
- (2) What is the Minister's response to the proposition put by an existing SSO that 'SSOs who are in excess and need to be redeployed, are required to ring around to establish whether listed vacancies are "real" jobs, go through the process of letter applications, multiple copies for panel members, go through an interview, only to be given a predetermined and predictable result'.
- (2) What is the Minister's response to the proposition put by an existing SSO that 'the minister introduce a list of "real" vacancies with many tagged ongoing to reduce the inefficiency of the current system and improve morale and job prospects for SSOs in government schools'.

398 **OFFICE EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

398a Minister for Innovation

398b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003, what are the details of expenses of the office of the Minister, including —

- (1) Number of ministerial staff allocated to the Minister.
- (2) Staff salaries and on-costs.
- (3) Other recurrent ministerial office operating expenses.
- (4) Minister's and/or office international flights and destination of international flights.
- (5) Minister's and/or office domestic flights.
- (6) Travel-related expenses.
- (7) Alcohol costs.

399 **DEPARTMENTAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

399a Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

399b Minister for Innovation

399c Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all advertising campaigns relating to the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration, indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 January 2003.

400 **CHARTER FLIGHT COSTS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

400a Minister for Innovation

400b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003 to date, what are the details for all charter flights, including helicopters and light planes, used by the Minister and/or the Minister's office indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Carrier.
- (3) Destination.
- (4) Cost.
- (5) Purpose.

401 **CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

401a Minister for Innovation

401b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of each consultancy commissioned by the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration since 1 January 2003, indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Cost.
- (3) Purpose.
- (4) Name and address of consultant.
- (5) Recommendations made.

(6) Action taken in response to any recommendations.

(7) Whether tenders were called.

402 **DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

402a Minister for Innovation

402b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all publications produced by the Minister's department, indicating in each case —

(1) Title.

(2) Date of issue and distribution.

(3) Cost of production.

(4) Number printed.

(5) Printer's name.

(6) Details of distribution, including numbers and cost.

(7) The purpose of the production.

403 **ADVERTISING BUDGET IN ETHNIC MEDIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs —

(1) What percentage of their campaign advertising budget has each department and agency spent in the ethnic media for 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003.

(2) Which government departments and agencies have not met government guidelines relating to the requirement to spend a minimum of five per cent of their advertising budget in ethnic media.

(3) What action is the Government taking in relation to those departments and agencies that do not spend the minimum amount of five per cent of their advertising budget in ethnic media.

404 **MULTICULTURAL INITIATIVES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs —

(1) How much did each department and agency spend on multicultural initiatives in 2002–2003.

(2) How much does each department and agency expect to spend on multicultural initiatives in 2003–2004.

- (3) Has there been an increase or decrease in spending in multicultural initiatives between 2002 and 2004.

405 **ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

405a Minister for Innovation

405b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

With reference to the Minister's office and/or departmental resources used by the Minister, what are the details of all entertainment expenses incurred, indicating —

- (1) The total costs.
- (2) Itemised details of all expenditure over \$500 including —
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) number of guests;
 - (c) cost;
 - (d) purpose; and
 - (e) name of the service provider.

406 **FEDERATION SQUARE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to Federation Square Management Pty Ltd —

- (1) On what date was the decision made to reclassify a \$14.2 million loan to 'forgiveness of debt'.
- (2) What were the reason/s for this decision being made.

407 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIOS** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

407a Minister for Innovation

407b Minister for Major Projects

407c Minister for State and Regional Development

With reference to work undertaken since 4 December 2003 at the Studios —

- (1) What are the names of the consultants who undertook work in relation to the Studios.
- (2) Briefly describe the type of work undertaken.
- (3) What remuneration did the named consultants receive.

(4) What dates was the work performed.

408 **FIXED TRAFFIC CAMERAS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the fixed camera at the corner of Thomas Street and North Road, Brighton East —

(1) What date was the camera installed.

(2) How many fines have been issued.

409 **FIXED TRAFFIC CAMERAS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —

(1) What are the sites (other than the corner of Thomas Street and North Road, Brighton East) in the electorate of Brighton (suburbs of Brighton, Brighton East, parts of the suburbs of Elsternwick, Elwood, Gardenvale, Hampton and Hampton East) that have fixed traffic cameras installed.

(2) Are there any plans to install additional fixed traffic cameras in the electorate of Brighton.

410 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

410a Premier

410b Minister for Agriculture

410c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources

410d Minister for the Arts

410e Attorney-General

410f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

410g Minister for Community Services

410h Minister for Corrections

410i Minister for Education Services

410j Minister for Education and Training

410k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs

410l Minister for Environment

410m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

410n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games

410o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government

410p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation

410q Minister for Financial Services Industry

410r Minister for Gaming

410s Minister for Health

410t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care

410u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing

410v Minister for Industrial Relations

410w Minister for Innovation

410x Minister for Major Projects

410y Minister for Manufacturing and Export

410z Minister for Multicultural Affairs

410aa Minister for Planning
410ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
410ac Minister for Racing
401ad Minister for State and Regional Development
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410af Minister for Transport
410ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
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410aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
410ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
410al Minister for Victorian Communities
410am Minister for Water
410an Minister for Women's Affairs
410ao Minister for WorkCover
410ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) Since 20 October 1999, how many jobs awarded to the company were exempted from the Victorian Government Purchasing Board.
- (2) On what grounds were exemptions given.
- (3) Was a certificate of exemption issued.
- (4) Who signed the documents granting exemption.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 46

Wednesday 3 March 2004

411 **WORKPLACE BULLYING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

- 411a Premier
- 411b Minister for Agriculture
- 411c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
- 411d Minister for the Arts
- 411e Attorney-General
- 411f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
- 411g Minister for Community Services
- 411h Minister for Corrections
- 411i Minister for Education Services
- 411j Minister for Education and Training
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- 411aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
- 411ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
- 411al Minister for Victorian Communities
- 411am Minister for Water
- 411an Minister for Women's Affairs

411ao Minister for WorkCover

411ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

- (1) How many cases of bullying in the workplace have been reported to each department or agency under the aegis of the Minister between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2003.
- (2) How many of these claims resulted in WorkCover cases being established.
- (3) What was the total cost of these claims.
- (4) What has been the dollar increase in premiums for each individual department or agency due to claims for bullying in the workplace.

412 **SIEMENS THREE CAR SETS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Siemens three car sets had been accepted by M>Train following testing as at 1 March 2004.
- (2) How many further three car sets are expected to be delivered by —
 - (a) 31 May 2004;
 - (b) 31 August 2004;
 - (c) 30 November 2004;
 - (d) 28 February 2005.

413 **CHILD-SEX OFFENDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the visit of convicted child-sex offender Paul Cudmore to Northcote Shopping Plaza —

- (1) What was the outcome of the full examination and inquiry by the Department of Human Services announced by the Premier on 23 February 2004 into how Paul Cudmore was able to abscond from his guardians and will the Minister make public the outcome of the inquiry.
- (2) Was recommendation 20 of the September 2001 Report of the Review Panel to Consider the Operation of the Disability Services at the Statewide Forensic Service (SFS) followed and had the staff member accompanying Mr Cudmore —
 - (a) worked for SFS for at least six months;
 - (b) undertaken and satisfactorily completed the workplace orientation and induction program;
 - (c) completed at least 18 shifts within Mr Cudmore's unit of residence.

- (3) Why were SFS rules concerning community access (leave), which state that SFS clients with a history of child-sex offences should not be taken to areas frequented by children, ignored in this case.

414 **INQUIRY INTO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the inquiry into the juvenile justice system by Mr Bob Falconer, announced by the Premier on 16 February 2004, to provide —

- (1) Terms of reference.
- (2) Timelines.
- (3) Costs.

415 **PROPOSED CLOSURE OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the proposed closure of the Central Health Interpreter Service — what formal consultation took place with —

- (1) Representatives from the Ethnic Communities Council of Victoria.
- (2) Representatives of the Victorian Multicultural Commission.
- (3) Professional representatives of the Australian Institute of Interpreters and Translators.
- (4) Representatives of the Ethnic Community Organisation in Victoria.
- (5) The Office of the Premier or the Office of the Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs.
- (6) Rural and regional health network administrators and medical practitioners.

416 **CHAIRPERSON OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the appointment of Mr Stan Naylor as Chairperson of the Central Health Interpreter Service —

- (1) What were the terms of reference for his appointment.
- (2) What were the reasons all former Board members declined to be reappointed.
- (3) What was the name of the report prepared by Mr Naylor which reviewed the Service.
- (4) What were the recommendations in the report.

417 **HEALTH SERVICE INTERPRETER SERVICES IN RURAL AND REGIONAL AREAS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the provision of interpreter services for migrant Victorians in rural and regional Victorian health networks and the pending closure of the Central Health Interpreter Service on 26 March 2004, a service which has been funded by the Department of Human Services for over 23 years —

- (1) What guarantee does the Government give that only National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters Level 3 health specialist interpreter services will be available in rural and regional Victoria on an ongoing basis.
- (2) Whether rural and regional hospitals have been informed of any interim procedures which will allow for the continuing delivery of services at the same level of health specialist expertise.

- 418 **CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health — what guarantees and accountability measures are in place to ensure that the distribution of the \$1.8 million currently funding the Central Health Interpreter Service will be spent in the delivery of interpreter services by health networks.
- 419 **MELBOURNE 2030** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — how many submissions on the implementation of Melbourne 2030 supported the changes to the Urban Growth Boundary in the Lyndhurst Area, in accordance with the Government's decision as introduced in November 2003, and from whom were those submissions received.
- 420 **YEAR OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what is the total amount of funding dedicated to the Year of the Built Environment.
- 421 **BOYD HOUSE** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what has been the total cost of consultancies, including legal fees, engaged by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, and Heritage Victoria and/or their representatives and agents, concerning action taken in relation to 666 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, otherwise known as the 'Boyd House', and its owner Maria Rajendrau, for each year since 30 June 1999.
- 422 **REGISTERED ROOF FIXING PLUMBERS** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — how many applications to become a registered roof fixing plumber were approved by the Plumbing Industry Commission during the limited period of time in December 2003 and January 2004 when the Commission determined to allow applications by any person regardless of the length of time they have been doing such work.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 47

Thursday 4 March 2004

This issue provides a numerical reference to questions remaining unanswered.

The full text of unanswered questions will be issued on a periodical basis during the session. The text was last issued in Questions on Notice No 44.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

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16	Thursday 8 May 2003	No 183.
17	Tuesday 20 May 2003	Nos 186a and 186b.
21	Wednesday 4 June 2003	No 209.
23	Tuesday 26 August 2003	Nos 225, 230, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245 and 246.
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		310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315a, 315b, 316, 317, 318a, 318b, 319a, 319b, 321, 322, 323 and 324.
28	Thursday 18 September 2003	No 328.
29	Tuesday 7 October 2003	Nos 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337 and 338.
30	Wednesday 8 October 2003	Nos 341 and 343.
32	Tuesday 14 October 2003	Nos 344 and 347.
33	Wednesday 15 October 2003	Nos 348, 349, 350 and 352.
34	Thursday 16 October 2003	No 354.
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36	Wednesday 29 October 2003	No 372.
38	Wednesday 5 November 2003	Nos 373 and 375.
39	Thursday 6 November 2003	No 376.
40	Tuesday 18 November 2003	Nos 378, 379 and 380.
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43	Tuesday 25 November 2003	Nos 388a, 388b, 389, 390, 391 and 392.
44	Thursday 27 November 2003	No 393.
45	Tuesday 2 March 2004	Nos 394, 395, 396, 397a, 397b, 398a, 398b, 399a, 399b, 399c, 400a, 400b, 401a, 401b, 402a, 402b, 403, 404, 405a, 405b, 406, 407a, 407b, 407c, 408, 409, 410a, 410b, 410c, 410d, 410e, 410f, 410g, 410h, 410i, 410j, 410k, 410l, 410m, 410n, 410o, 410p, 410q, 410r, 410s, 410t, 410u, 410v, 410w, 410x, 410y, 410z, 410aa, 410ab, 410ac, 410ad,

410ae, 410af, 410ag, 410ah, 410ai, 410aj,
410ak, 410al, 410am, 410an, 410ao and
410ap.

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Nos 411a, 411b, 411c, 411d, 411e, 411f,
411g, 411h, 411i, 411j, 411k, 411l, 411m,
411n, 411o, 411p, 411q, 411r, 411s, 411t,
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411an, 411ao, 411ap, 412, 413, 414, 415,
416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421 and 422.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 48

Tuesday 30 March 2004

423 **BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS (BEST)** —
Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —

- (1) Is there a register maintained of declared gifts, gratuities or other benefits, as received by BEST management, employees and contractors, from external companies, organisations or individuals.
- (2) If there is no register, what probity measures are in place to ensure that BEST management, employees and contractors are not subjected to offers of, or accept, monetary or non-monetary inducements/benefits from potential bidders, actual bidders or other stakeholders, on projects managed or overseen by BEST.
- (3) Have any gifts, gratuities or other benefits been declared by BEST management, employees and contractors in relation to three current projects under management of BEST — the Mobile Data Terminal Network (MDT), the Melbourne Metropolitan Radio Network (MMR) and the Emergency Altering System (EAS).

424 **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY BURWOOD CAMPUS NORTHERN OVAL** — Mr Baillicu to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the discussions with the Burwood campus of Deakin University regarding the ownership and use of the site known as the Northern Oval —

- (1) When did the discussions start.
- (2) How many discussions or meetings have taken place.
- (3) What specifically has been discussed so far.
- (4) What is still to be discussed.
- (5) What agreements have been reached.
- (6) Is one of the points of discussion about a long term recreation space agreement and, if so, how long would that agreement last.
- (7) Has the Government offered Deakin University a price for the land and, if so, how much.
- (8) When will the Deakin-owned portion of the Northern Oval be transferred to public ownership as stated in an e-mail from the Minister's office dated 22 November 2002 and has it been determined what it will take to make this now 15-month old promise happen.

425 **FLAME RETARDANT CURTAINS AND INTERNAL FITTING IN SCHOOLS** —
Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

425a Minister for Education Services

425b Minister for Education and Training

How many schools are fitted out with flame retardant curtains and internal fittings as required under the Uniform Building Code of Australia in each of —

- (1) State primary schools.
- (2) State secondary schools.
- (3) Catholic schools.
- (4) Independent schools.

426 **M>TRAIN TRAINS IN SERVICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how many Siemens six-car trains were in revenue-carrying passenger service for M>Train on Tuesday 30 March 2004.

427 **M>TRAIN SIEMENS CARS** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

427a Minister for Transport

427b Treasurer

427c Treasurer for the Minister for Finance

- (1) What is the monthly cost to M>Train for leasing —
 - (a) Siemens motor cars;
 - (b) Siemens trailer cars that have been accepted from the manufacturer after completing testing.
- (2) What is the period of lease for each car.
- (3) What is the monthly cost of security guards employed at each of Dandenong and St Albans Stations to monitor stored Siemens train sets.
- (4) What amount is being paid for security guards at each of Dandenong and St Albans Stations by —
 - (a) M>Train;
 - (b) Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) Department of Treasury and Finance;

- (d) Siemens Rail Services or other associated companies;
- (e) other entities.

428 **BOX HILL BUS TERMINAL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Box Hill bus terminal above Centro Box Hill —

- (1) How often is the terminal cleaned.
- (2) Will the timetables missing from the cases relating to National Bus routes 284 and 315 be replaced at these locations and, if so, when.
- (3) How many outbound journeys are made by passengers joining at the terminal on a typical weekday when school terms and university semesters are underway.

429 **M>TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to trains operated by M>Train —

- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each line operated by M>Train on —
 - (a) Monday 29 March 2004;
 - (b) Tuesday 30 March 2004.
- (2) What time was each service scheduled to depart Flinders Street Station and to which destination.
- (3) What was the reason for each cancellation.

430 **DIRECTOR OF VICTORIAN OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs — whether the position of Director or Acting Director of the Victorian Office of Multicultural Affairs has been filled and, if so, what process was followed to select the successful candidate.

431 **TRAM NETWORK RESTRICTIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) On what, if any, sections or full routes of Melbourne's tram network are the following types of trams unable to operate —
 - (a) 'D1' class three-section Combinos;
 - (b) 'D2' class five-section Combinos;
 - (c) Citadis trams.

- (2) What action, if any, does Yarra Trams or the Department of Infrastructure intend to take to rectify any such deficiencies in the network and by what date will each specific restriction be lifted.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 49

Wednesday 31 March 2004

- 432 **STAMP DUTY COLLECTED IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer — what was the dollar amount of stamp duty collected for 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004 to date from the suburbs of —
- (1) Brighton (postcode 3186).
 - (2) Brighton East (postcode 3187).
- 433 **SCHOOLS IN THE BRIGHTON ELECTORATE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What is/will be the amount of recurrent expenditure and any other annual or one-off grants in 2003–2004 for —
 - (a) Brighton Primary School; and
 - (b) Brighton Secondary College.
 - (2) What funds have been/will be directed in 2003–2004 to —
 - (a) St Leonard's College, East Brighton;
 - (b) Star of the Sea College, Gardenvale; and
 - (c) Haileybury College, East Brighton.
- 434 **DRAG RACING IN ELWOOD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to drag racing on Ormond Esplanade, Elwood —
- (1) What measures have police taken to reduce this activity.
 - (2) How many people have been fined for such activity in 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 435 **FEDERATION SQUARE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer —
- (1) On what date was the decision made to reclassify a \$14.2 million loan to 'forgiveness of debt'.
 - (2) What were the reasons for this decision being made.

- 436 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services — what was the aggregate sum approved for flood relief by the Department of Human Services for the December 2003 floods and the January 2004 floods in metropolitan Melbourne.
- 437 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services —
- (1) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services receive for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.
 - (2) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services approve for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 50

Thursday 1 April 2004

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 FEBRUARY 2003

- 4 **ENTERPRISE BARGAINING AGREEMENT — UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the agreement signed with the Country Fire Authority (CFA) and the Metropolitan Fire Emergency Services Board (MFESB) —
- (1) What is the total additional financial impact of the agreement on the budget of each of the CFA and the MFESB, in dollar and percentage terms, for the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
 - (2) What is the direct additional budgetary contribution of the State Government, in dollar and percentage terms, towards such increased expenditures in each of the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
- 5 **VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002.
- 8 **COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002 —
- How many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria.
- (1) How many tankers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (2) What was the average age (years of service) of the tankers deployed.
 - (3) How many pumpers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (4) What was the average age (years of service) of pumpers deployed.
- 9 **ACTIVE COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY PERSONNEL** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002, what was the number of active Country Fire Authority —

- (1) Volunteers.
- (2) Career firefighters.

10 **ACTIVE VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many active volunteers were there as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002.

11 **EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISE (CORE)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Corrections, as at 31 December 1999, 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002, what was —

- (1) The total number of effective full-time employees.
- (2) The actual cost of employee remuneration and entitlements.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 FEBRUARY 2003

34 **STAFF NUMBERS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Innovation —

- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff, part-time staff and casual staff are employed in the Private Office of the Minister, as at 25 February 2003.
- (2) How many full-time equivalent staff, part-time staff and casual staff are employed in the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development, as at 25 February 2003.

36 **GOVERNMENT'S DIGITAL MEDIA FUND** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

- (1) What amount has MediaNet received from the fund.
- (2) On what date did MediaNet receive this amount.

QUESTION ASKED ON 25 MARCH 2003

77 **MITCHAM/FRANKSTON FREEWAY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How much has already been expended on land acquisition for the Freeway.
- (2) How much of this funding came from —
 - (a) VicRoads;

- (b) the Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) the Commonwealth Government; and
 - (d) other sources.
- (3) With reference to the acquisition of parcels of land over 100 square metres —
- (a) how many remain to be acquired for the Freeway;
 - (b) which suburb is each parcel of land located in;
 - (c) what is the size of each parcel;
 - (d) what are the nearest cross streets or other identifiers;
 - (e) what is the total estimated cost of the remaining land acquisitions; and
 - (f) what is the proposed timetable for each of the land acquisitions yet to be completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 29 APRIL 2003

- 147 **BUSINESS INNOVATION WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Business Innovation Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$240,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 148 **EXPORT VALUE CHAIN NETWORKS AND CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Value Chain Networks and Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —

- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

149 **FINANCE FOR GROWTH** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Finance for Growth funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$60,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

150 **FIRST STEP EXPORT PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the First Step Export Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

151 **GLOBAL PURCHASING STRATEGY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Global Purchasing Strategy funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —

- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

152 **GOING GLOBAL** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Going Global funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

153 **HIGH PERFORMANCE MANUFACTURING CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the High Performance Manufacturing Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$190,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

154 **INDUSTRY CAPABILITY MISSIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Industry Capability Missions funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$930,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —

- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

155 **INNOVATION INSIGHTS VISITS PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Innovation Insights Visits Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

156 **KEYNOTE CONFERENCE AND SEMINARS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to keynote conference and seminars funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

157 **NEW TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to new technology demonstrations funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$310,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.

- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

158 **PARTNERS AT WORK (HIGH PERFORMANCE WORKPLACES)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Partners at Work (High Performance Workplaces) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$900,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

159 **PROMOTING THE IMAGE OF MANUFACTURING AND MANUFACTURING HALL OF FAME** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to promoting the Image of Manufacturing and Manufacturing Hall of Fame funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$500,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 160 **STRATEGIC AUDIT OF VICTORIAN INDUSTRY PLANS IMPLEMENTATION (PARTNERS AT WORK)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Strategic Audit of Victorian Industry Plans implementation (Partners at Work) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$1,600,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 161 **SCHOLARSHIPS IN AREAS OF FUTURE SKILLS NEEDS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Scholarships in Areas of Future Skills Needs funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 162 **TECHNOLOGY EVALUATION PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Evaluation Projects funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and

- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 163 **TECHNOLOGY ROADMAP AND SKILLS STUDIES** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Roadmap and Skills Studies funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 164 **VALUE CHAIN WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Value Chain Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$160,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 165 **EXPORT COMMUNICATION NETWORK** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Communication Network funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$410,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and

- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

QUESTION ASKED ON 8 MAY 2003

- 183 **INQUIRY INTO PAST ADOPTION PRACTICES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Community Services — when does the Government propose to honour its 1999 election commitment to hold a Parliamentary inquiry into past adoption practices, particularly in the period after the second world war until the proclamation of the *Adoption Act 1984*.

QUESTION ASKED ON 20 MAY 2003

- 186 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) CABINET SUBCOMMITTEE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

186a Premier

186b Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

With reference to the Minister for Information and Communication Technology's announcement of 6 May 2003 of a new Government ICT strategy subcommittee of Cabinet to be chaired by the Premier, in recognition of the strategic importance of ICT —

- (1) Who is on the subcommittee.
- (2) Who will service and/or advise the subcommittee.
- (3) What are the duties of the subcommittee.

QUESTION ASKED ON 4 JUNE 2003

- 209 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the breakdown of the \$660 million that the Government has committed to ICT, as stated in the media release of 17 October 2002 entitled *Victoria's Information Technology Report*, including details of each component of the \$660 million and individual expenditure items within each component.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 26 AUGUST 2003

- 225 **BOX HILL TRAM VALIDATORS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Was the OneLink tram validator, serial number 034-03233, not validating Zone Two tickets inserted into it at Box Hill tram terminus on Saturday 5 July 2003.

- (2) Is this a common problem with the Box Hill extension of tram route 109.
 - (3) What proportion of on-board tram validators incorrectly accept a Zone One only ticket that a passenger attempts to validate at Box Hill tram terminus.
 - (4) Have any complaints been received by the Department of Infrastructure or Yarra Trams regarding the incorrect working of tram validators on the Box Hill extension; if so, how many and on what dates.
 - (5) What action is OneLink, Yarra Trams or the Director of Public Transport taking to ensure that route 109 validators work correctly for the Zone One and Zone Two sections of the route.
- 230 **MAINTENANCE FOR POINT NEPEAN DEFENCE LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for the Environment — from where will the promised \$10–\$15 million maintenance funding for the land be sourced.
- 240 **CeBIT AMERICA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — how much funding was provided to each of the five Victorian companies that attended CeBIT America, an information technology trade fair, in New York this year.
- 241 **E-COMMERCE ROADSHOWS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to e-commerce roadshows —
- (1) How many have taken place between 1 June 2002 and 26 August 2003.
 - (2) What was the location and date of each.
 - (3) What was the cost of each.
- 243 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SYNCHROTRON** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Innovation — has the Government sought financial assistance or support from the Commonwealth Government in relation to the construction of the Synchrotron or for beamline funding; if so, when was this request made.
- 244 **GROWING TOMORROW'S INDUSTRIES TODAY STATEMENT** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to the statement and the targets for information and communication technologies — which companies contributed to the 800 new jobs created in Victoria last year and what was the number each contributed.
- 245 **MULTIMEDIA VICTORIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

- (1) What is the total number of full-time equivalent staff within Multimedia Victoria as at 26 August 2003.
- (2) How will Multimedia Victoria —
 - (a) improve the operation of business and government;
 - (b) increase the use of information and communication technologies by Victorians;
 - (c) reduce the inequity in the use of information and communication technologies across Victoria; and
 - (d) grow the information industries sector.

246 **TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM FUNDING** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the total amount of funding provided by the Government since 2000, the name of each recipient and the amount received by each recipient under the —

- (1) Customer Access Network Demonstration Program.
- (2) E-Commerce Exhibition Projects Program.
- (3) E-gaps funding.
- (4) Skills.net funding.
- (5) Next Wave Program.
- (6) My Connected Community program.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 AUGUST 2003

¹238 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

238aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

239ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

¹ Question published in substitution of No 238 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

²239 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

239aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

239ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 July 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

247 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for WorkCover —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001, with the exception of the Transport Accident Commission and the Victorian WorkCover Authority where the commencement date should be from 1 July 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2003

253 **TRAM ACCIDENT AT RICHMOND NORTH** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the accident involving trams and a bus at the intersection of Hoddle and Victoria Streets, Richmond North on 2 September 2003 at 8.15 am —

- (1) Have either of Yarra Trams' Citadis trams involved in the accident been written off; if so —
 - (a) will these vehicle(s) be replaced with further new Citadis trams;
 - (b) at what cost to the Government; and

If not, what is the estimated cost of repairs to each tram.
- (2) Has the National Bus Company bus involved in the accident been written off; if so —
 - (a) will this vehicle be replaced;
 - (b) at what cost to the Government; and

² Question published in substitution of No 239 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

If not, what is the estimated cost of repairs to the bus.

- (3) How many seconds does a bus turning from south to west at this intersection typically have on its applicable traffic signal phase to proceed through the intersection.
- (4) What is the number of seconds that each 'B' or 'T' signal phase for buses or trams in each direction operates for at this location.
- (5) How many motor vehicles pass through this intersection on each of a typical weekday, Saturday and Sunday, not during school holidays, travelling —
 - (a) eastbound;
 - (b) westbound;
 - (c) northbound; and
 - (d) southbound.
- (6) What is the estimated rate of annual growth in motor vehicle traffic through this intersection for travel —
 - (a) eastbound;
 - (b) westbound;
 - (c) northbound; and
 - (d) southbound.
- (7) Is it feasible for public transport turning phases to operate slightly longer, or for there to be a slightly longer gap between the ending of a motor vehicle phase and the commencement of a public transport vehicle phase, at the traffic signals at this location.
- (8) Is any action being taken to minimise accidents at this location; if so —
 - (a) what is the cost of any works;
 - (b) when are any works scheduled to commence and be completed; and
 - (c) which stakeholders have been, or will be, consulted on any such works.
- (9) Will the Minister or the Department of Infrastructure receive a copy of any reports into this accident compiled by National Express, Yarra Trams or the Victoria Police; if so, when.
- (10) Will any costs of repairs to the trams or bus involved be met by the franchisees/operators or will there be a cost to the Government; if so, what is the cost.

254 NORTHERN LOOP BROKEN RAIL — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Was there a broken rail between Flinders Street and Parliament railway stations in the Northern Loop on 2 September 2003; if so, how, and at what time, was this fault discovered.
- (2) How many Northern Group services operated direct from Flinders Street rather than via the City Loop on this afternoon.
- (3) What were the times and destinations of the first and last trains affected by this forced diversion.
- (4) How long did the Passenger Information Display Screen (PIDS) monitors take to display a message 'Take trams to Flinders Street' or similar at Parliament, Melbourne Central and Flagstaff railway stations after this diversion commenced.
- (5) Why were the PIDS screens still displaying incorrect information at 17:00 hours.
- (6) Is each entrance to underground loop stations equipped with whiteboards and text colours.
- (7) Why were no whiteboards advising of this change to services displayed at the Lonsdale Street entrance to Parliament station at 17:00 hours.
- (8) Can the public address system be improved so that announcements in these circumstances can be clearly heard by passengers entering the underground stations but who have not yet passed through ticket barriers.
- (9) What would be the cost of any such works to improve the public address system at each of the three underground stations.

255 CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE IN LANGUAGES — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of three centres of excellence in languages —

- (1) Where will the centres be established.
- (2) When will the centres be established.
- (3) Who will have access to these facilities.
- (4) Who will not have access to these facilities.
- (5) What will be the eligibility criteria.
- (6) What will be the indicators of success.
- (7) What will be the languages taught at each centre.
- (8) Against what criteria will the languages be selected.

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- (9) What programs and facilities will these centres offer.
- (10) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 256 **VICTORIAN SCHOOLS OF LANGUAGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of an additional five Victorian schools of languages —
- (1) What new programs or resources will these schools provide compared with the existing School of Languages.
- (2) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 257 **ACCESS TO EXCELLENCE PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What is the working definition of 'excellence' for the purpose of the program.
- (2) What are the factors inhibiting teenagers' engagement at school which the program will address and how will the program address these problems.
- (3) What methods will be used to gauge the effectiveness of the program on teenage engagement.
- (4) What criteria defines an approach as 'locally relevant' and who will undertake this assessment and make the determination.
- (5) What criteria will be applied to determine if an approach is 'innovative'.
- (6) Which programs have been deemed not to be 'innovative'.
- (7) Which schools classify as schools in need of 'assistance to achieve outcomes' for the purposes of the program.
- (8) Who in the Department of Education and Training makes these determinations.
- (9) What are the criteria used to determine these decisions.
- (10) What outcomes will the program help these schools achieve.
- (11) What methods will be used to measure performance.
- (12) What will be the ratio of teachers to students within the program.
- (13) How many additional hours of contact on a per student basis does the program anticipate per year.

- (14) What method or methods will be used to measure the effectiveness in the schools involved in this project of the 300 additional teachers in the system with reference to their impact on —
- (a) absenteeism;
 - (b) literacy levels;
 - (c) numeracy levels;
 - (d) retention rates; and
 - (e) post-school transition.
- 258 **INTERNET COSTS IN NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the allocation of \$8 million towards internet costs in non-government schools connected to the VicOne network — has any of the money been spent; if so, what are the details; if not, how will the money be allocated.
- 259 **CLASS ROOM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the \$14 million already spent on the relocatable class room upgrade program — what precise works was the \$14 million allocation spent on.
- 260 **SCHOOL INTRUDER LAWS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the announcement by the New South Wales Government of new school intruder laws that will 'see people who enter schools and intimidate teachers and pupils face five new offences and a sentence of up to 12 years imprisonment' —
- (1) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers in total were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (2) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers by intruders or visitors on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (3) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers by students on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (4) How many incidences of assault of teachers in total were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (5) How many incidences of assault of teachers by students on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
- 261 **SCHOOLS TV PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 83 received on 26 August 2003 — how many hours of programming were transmitted via each of satellite, broadband and other internet in 2002 and 2003 respectively.

- 262 **SCHOOLS TV PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 83 received on 26 August 2003 — how many hours of videoconferenced classes were transmitted in 2002 and 2003 respectively.
- 263 **SCHOOLS TV PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 83 received on 26 August 2003 — what were the results of the last regular evaluation of the performance and effectiveness of Schools' Television.
- 264 **SCHOOL MAINTENANCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 84 received on 26 August 2003 — what are the priority zero items in the 2000 audit which have not been funded.
- 265 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) When did the review commence.
 - (2) What are the time-lines for such a review.
 - (3) Who will conduct the review.
 - (4) What documents have been produced by those conducting the review and are any of these public documents.
 - (5) What documents have been prepared for those conducting the review and are any of these public documents.
- 266 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 — what reports does the Minister have on the cost-benefit analysis of installing sprinklers in —
- (1) Existing schools.
 - (2) New schools.
 - (3) Portables.
- 267 **ALBERT PARK, BAYSIDE, COPPERFIELD, CRAIGIEBURN, EPPING, FERNTREE, HEATHERHILL, LALOR NORTH, RESERVOIR DISTRICT AND SOUTH OAKLEIGH SECONDARY COLLEGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 108a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the precise protocols for public release of data referred to, when were they last reviewed and by whom.

- 268 **UNQUALIFIED MATHEMATICS TEACHERS IN STATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 110b received on 26 August 2003 — does the Minister or the Department have any knowledge or data on how many people teaching mathematics in Victorian secondary schools have no tertiary qualifications in mathematics; if yes, what is that knowledge or data; if no, why has no attempt been made to ascertain the situation.
- 269 **UNTRAINED MATHEMATICS TEACHERS IN STATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 110b received on 26 August 2003 — does the Minister or the Department have any knowledge or data on how many people teaching mathematics in Victorian secondary schools have no training in the teaching of mathematics; if yes, what is that knowledge or data; if no, why has no attempt been made to ascertain the situation.
- 270 **QUALIFIED MATHEMATICS TEACHERS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 111b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What is the Government's policy position regarding whether mathematics classes should be taught by qualified mathematics teachers.
 - (2) How does the Government intend to set about implementing this policy.
- 271 **MATHEMATICS TEACHERS IN VICTORIAN STATE PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 112a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) How many regional Numeracy Leaders are there.
 - (2) How many school-based co-ordinators have been trained.
- 272 **MATHEMATICS TEACHERS IN VICTORIAN STATE PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 112a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What assessment been made of the quality or usefulness of the 'CDROM of the training program' for middle years numeracy.
 - (2) What 'on-line resources' for middle year numeracy have been provided to date.
- 273 **MIDDLE YEARS NUMERACY PROGRAM IN SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 115a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What is the form of the 'school compacts'.
 - (2) What are the rewards for meeting the 'school compacts'.

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- (3) What are the sanctions for failing to meet the 'school compacts'.
- (4) Does the Minister or the Department have any advice or results on the efficacy of the 'school compacts'.
- 274 **CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 135b received on 26 August 2003 — what are the names of the regular schools which have more than 30 students who receive additional funding through the Program for Students with Disabilities.
- 275 **CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON STATE SCHOOL GROUNDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 172b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) In each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (a) how many criminal activities reports were made by state schools to the Department of Education and Training; and
- (b) what are the details of the types and numbers of criminal activities.
- (2) Were there any schools or geographic areas where the number of reports were significantly higher than the average.
- 276 **CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON CATHOLIC SCHOOL GROUNDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 172b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) In each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (a) how many criminal activities reports were made by catholic schools to the Department of Education and Training; and
- (b) what are the details of the types and numbers of criminal activities.
- (2) Were there any schools or geographic areas where the number of reports were significantly higher than the average.
- 277 **CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL GROUNDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 172b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) In each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (a) how many criminal activities reports were made by independent schools to the Department of Education and Training; and
- (b) what are the details of the types and numbers of criminal activities.

- (2) Were there any schools or geographic areas where the number of reports were significantly higher than the average.

280 **TEACHER OFFENCES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 173c received on 26 August 2003 —

- (1) For each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date, how many teachers were found to have breached their duty of trust to students.
- (2) What are the bases for such findings, and how many of the said teachers were removed for each such reason.

281 **NOTICES SERVED BY WORKCOVER** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

281a Minister for Education Services

281b Minister for WorkCover

Have any notices been served on the Department of Education and Training or any schools by WorkCover or any other government authority as a result of any dangerous or unsafe conditions; if so, what were the notices and the conditions identified.

282 **UNSAFE CONDITIONS IN SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 175 received on 26 August 2003 — in each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —

- (1) How many schools have applied for supplementary Physical Resources Management System (PRMS) funding.
- (2) What are the names for the schools which have applied for supplementary PRMS funding and for what purpose(s).
- (3) How many, and which, schools have received supplementary PRMS funding.

283 **MARK SENSE PROCEDURES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 198a received on 26 August 2003 —

- (1) What audits, if any, of the mark sense procedures have taken place in the last five years and what have they found.
- (2) What documents on the procedures have been prepared and not made public and for what reason.

284 **ON TRACK PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 191 received on 26 August 2003 — what, if any, contractual arrangements exist between the Department of Education and Training and Professor Richard Teese or any other entity with respect to the program.

- 285 **VICTORIAN STUDENT ASSESSMENT MONITOR (VSAM)** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 188a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) Has the study being carried out by RMIT Test Lab been completed and what are the results.
 - (2) Is there a written report and will it be made available publicly.
- 286 **FRAMEWORK FOR STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 185b received on 26 August 2003 — has there been any audit or review of the student welfare and curriculum teams; if yes, what are the results.
- 287 **CARDIO PULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND FIRST AID** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 167 received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) Does the Minister or the Department know how many teachers are trained in cardio pulmonary resuscitation and first aid.
 - (2) Can the Minister guarantee that every state school has at least one teacher or other staff member trained in cardio pulmonary resuscitation and first aid.
- 288 **PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 89 received on 26 August 2003 — for each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (1) How many decisions by principals were made that the most appropriate type of support for a student was a full-time integration aide.
 - (2) How many of these positions were funded under the program.
- 289 **PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 89 received on 26 August 2003 — for each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (1) How many appeals regarding decisions about a student's eligibility for the program or the level of funding were made by schools.
 - (2) How many appeals were successful.
- 290 **CHILDREN WITH LANGUAGE DISORDERS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to an article by Sasha Jamieson in the *Leader-Heidelberger* of Wednesday 10 September 2003 in which the following comments by the Minister are noted — 'Ms Allan said there had been unprecedented growth in the number of children with language disorders, which she said was beyond reasonable expectation' —

- (1) What has been the unprecedented growth.
- (2) Why is it beyond reasonable expectation.
- (3) Does the Minister have any expert reports or advice on this matter; if yes, what is it.

293 **PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY PROGRAM** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training —

- (1) How many members of parliament participated in the program.
- (2) Which parties did the members represent.
- (3) How many principals for a day worked in —
 - (a) rural and regional schools; and
 - (b) metropolitan schools.
- (4) What criteria were applied to the selection process for principals for a day.
- (5) Were police clearances a requirement for the program; if yes, how many principals for a day obtained police clearance.

295 **VICTORIAN CULTURAL HERITAGE INSPECTOR LICENCE REVOCATION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs with reference to the decision to revoke the licence of Annette Xiberras as a Victorian Cultural Heritage Inspector —

- (1) What was the reason for the removal of the licence.
- (2) What principles of natural justice had been accorded to Annette Xiberras prior to the licence being revoked.
- (3) What was the method of notification to Annette Xiberras.
- (4) To whom was this decision relayed prior to notice being given to Annette Xiberras.
- (5) Who supplied the information upon which the Minister acted.
- (6) Was Annette Xiberras given the opportunity to provide evidence of events leading up to the revocation of the licence.
- (7) How many licences have been revoked in Victoria in the past 10 years.

297 **COMPLETION OF LYNBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located south east of Dandenong —

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- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 298 **COMPLETION OF 'CHEESE FACTORY' PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located at Centre Road, Berwick —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 299 **COMPLETION OF STRATHAIRD PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Narre Warren South —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 300 **COMPLETION OF ROXBURGH PARK NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Narre Warren South —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 301 **COMPLETION OF JAMIESON WAY PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Point Cook —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 302 **COMPLETION OF TRUGANINA SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north of Werribee —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.

- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

303 **COMPLETION OF TARNEIT PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north west of Werribee —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

304 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

305 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES SECONDARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

306 **COMPLETION OF LAURIMAR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located near Yan Yean —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

307 **COMPLETION OF EPPING NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

- 308 **COMPLETION OF CAROLINE SPRINGS SCHOOL YEARS 9–12 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 309 **TIMBARRA SECONDARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — what works have been undertaken at the school, located in Berwick.
- 310 **COMPLETION OF WALLAN YEARS 7–8 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 311 **SOMERVILLE YEARS 7–10 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — what works have been undertaken.
- 312 **CAROLINE SPRINGS PREP TO YEAR 8 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — what works have been undertaken.
- 313 **SCHOOLYARD BLITZ PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 59 received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What plans and consultations have been undertaken under this program.
 - (2) What are the details on the proposed implementation of this program other than the fact that it appears in the Government's election policy document.
- 314 **RURAL CAMPUS LEARNING PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 57 received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What plans and consultations have been undertaken in respect of this program.
 - (2) What are the details of the program.

315 **MINISTERIAL TRIPS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

315a Minister for Education and Training

315b Minister for Education Services

- (1) What overseas and interstate trips on ministerial business has the Minister undertaken since the 2002 election.
- (2) What were the purposes of each such trip.

316 **STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL INTEGRATION AIDES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 89 received on 26 August 2003 —

- (1) How many of the 4,700 integration aides were full-time.
- (2) For each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
 - (a) how many appeals were made by schools against decisions to fund a part-time aide when the schools has applied for a full-time aide; and
 - (b) how many appeals were successful.
- (3) What advice does the Government have on the effectiveness of part-time aides.
- (4) What advice does the Government have on the difficulties experienced by schools in circumstances where a part-time aide has been allocated to students who need a full-time aide.

317 **FORECASTING TEACHER DEMAND SURVEY** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 117b received on 26 August 2003 — what information did the survey reveal in respect of —

- (1) Mathematics teachers.
- (2) Science teachers.
- (3) Languages other than English.

318 **BUSES WITHOUT SEATBELTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

318a Minister for Education and Training

318b Minister for Education Services

What is the Government's policy in respect of the transport of school children in buses without seatbelts.

- 319 **SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR NON-CUSTODIAL PARENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 319a Minister for Education and Training
319b Minister for Education Services
- (1) What is the Government's policy on the right of access to school information for non-custodial parents.
 - (2) When was this policy last updated.
 - (3) What guidelines are there on this matter.
- 321 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — has any money been committed; if yes, on what.
- 322 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — what works have been undertaken.
- 323 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — are there any guidelines under which areas of specialisation for each local community will be determined.
- 324 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — have any new facilities for innovative programs been implemented; if so, where and against what criteria is innovation measured.

QUESTION ASKED ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2003

- 328 **POSSUMS IN THE SANDRINGHAM ELECTORATE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to concerns of residents in the Sandringham electorate regarding the increasing number of possums living in trees, houeroofs and outbuildings —
- (1) What is the policy of the Government to —
 - (a) avert damage to property (wiring and ceilings);
 - (b) avert damage to plants, shrubs and trees, many of which are being destroyed;
 - (c) avert disruptions to domestic pets;
 - (d) prevent health risks; and

- (c) prevent power blackouts.
- (2) Apart from advocating a possum curfew, what plans does the Government have to minimise disturbance to the quiet enjoyment of property by Sandringham electorate residents as a consequence of the expanding possum population.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 7 OCTOBER 2003

- 329 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the article ‘School blaze costs \$1m’ by Cameron Smith and Jeremy Calvert in the *Herald Sun* of Tuesday 23 September 2003 and the comment therein — “But last night, Government spokesman Tim Mitchell said sprinklers will not necessarily save schools from fire. ‘It will cost the taxpayer \$250 million to install fire sprinklers in all of Victoria’s 1600 schools,’ Mr Mitchell said. He said the Bracks Government was developing a fire strategy and would make an announcement about it in the coming months” and with further reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 — on what factual basis did Mr Tim Mitchell make the assertion ‘It will cost the taxpayer \$250 million to install fire sprinklers in all of Victoria’s 1600 schools’.
- 330 **VICTORIAN TEACHERS WORKING OVERSEAS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article ‘Exodus hurts schools’ published in the *Doncaster Templestowe News* of Wednesday 24 September 2003 which said, in part, ‘According to the Australian Education Union, about 30,000 Victorian teachers are working in the United Kingdom this year and thousands more are destined for the US’ — what advice does the Minister have on the number of Victorian teachers working overseas.
- 331 **TEACHERS ON LEAVE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article ‘Exodus hurts schools’ published in the *Doncaster Templestowe News* of Wednesday 24 September 2003 which said, in part, ‘Department of Education and Training spokesman Paul Barber said there was no record of the number of teachers who had left Victoria to teach overseas. Mr Barber also refused to say how many teachers were on leave and said the department was not concerned about the number of teachers working overseas’ — how many teachers are on the following forms of leave —
- (1) Adoption leave.
 - (2) Auxiliary medical leave.
 - (3) Compassionate leave.
 - (4) Infectious diseases leave.
 - (5) Leave without pay.
 - (6) Long service leave.

- (7) Maternity leave.
- (8) Parental leave.
- (9) Paternity leave.
- (10) Sabbatical leave.
- (11) Study leave.
- (12) Temporary release of staff to external organisations.
- (13) Temporary release of teachers to non-school based (OSE) locations.
- (14) Trade union training leave.
- (15) Transport accident leave.
- (16) Working outside the department.

- 332 **MARYBOROUGH EDUCATION PRECINCT PRINCIPALS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 129a received on 26 August 2003 — has the master-plan been completed.
- 333 **MARYBOROUGH EDUCATION PRECINCT MASTER-PLAN** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 129a received on 26 August 2003 — how many school principals will be employed.
- 334 **CONDUCT AND ETHICS BRANCH OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article in the *Herald Sun* of 25 September 2003 entitled 'Job cuts may help teacher pedophiles' which said, in part, 'The State Government's plan to weed out pedophiles from schools could be hindered by their own job cuts. The Education Department's conduct and ethics branch employs 10 staff whose roles include checking some teachers' police records and doing background checks on non-teaching staff. The conduct and ethics branch, as part of the department's central office, is in the firing line of a restructure announced by Education Minister Lynne Kosky last month, which will slash about 330 Education Department jobs' — is any change to the branch planned; if so, what is it and why is it being done.
- 335 **BALANCED SCORECARD APPROACH** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 86a received on 26 August 2003 — what documents and data are produced by schools as part of the balanced scorecard approach and to whom are these documents made available.

- 336 **BALANCED SCORECARD APPROACH** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 86a received on 26 August 2003 — what documents are produced by the Department of Education and Training as part of the balanced scorecard approach to analysing the strengths and weaknesses of each school and to whom are those documents made available.
- 337 **ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK — MARIBYRNONG SECONDARY COLLEGE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the responses to questions 86a and 132a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the strengths and weaknesses of Maribyrnong Secondary College.
- 338 **ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK — BROADMEADOWS, LALOR AND PETER LALOR SECONDARY COLLEGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the responses to questions 86a and 132a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the strengths and weaknesses of Broadmeadows, Lalor and Peter Lalor Secondary Colleges.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 8 OCTOBER 2003

- 341 **FUNDING TO NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Savage to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to recent concerns of funding to non-government schools —
- (1) Is the Government prepared to fund needy non-government schools at least to the national average.
 - (2) Will the Government index the grants to non-government schools in need, as happens in every other state and territory along with Commonwealth grants to non-government schools.
- 343 **V/LINE FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What was the amount collected in farebox revenue for V/Line Passenger rail and coach services in Victoria and interstate in each of 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 through the sale of—
 - (a) ordinary adult single tickets;
 - (b) ordinary adult return tickets;
 - (c) weekly adult tickets;
 - (d) date-to-date adult tickets;
 - (e) discounted weekday adult return tickets;
 - (f) discounted weekend adult return tickets;

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- (g) concession single tickets;
 - (h) concession return tickets; and
 - (i) other tickets.
- (2) What was the total V/Line farebox revenue in 2002–2003 derived from sales of tickets that included a journey commencing or terminating at:
- (a) Geelong;
 - (b) North Geelong;
 - (c) South Geelong;
 - (d) North Shore;
 - (e) Corio;
 - (f) Lara;
 - (g) Little River;
 - (h) Ballarat;
 - (i) Ballan;
 - (j) Heathcote Junction;
 - (k) Wandong;
 - (l) Kilmore East;
 - (m) Broadford;
 - (n) Tallarook;
 - (o) Seymour;
 - (p) Avenel;
 - (q) Euroa;
 - (r) Clarkefield;
 - (s) Riddells Creek;
 - (t) Gisborne;
 - (u) Macedon;

- (v) Woodend; and
 - (w) Kyneton.
- (3) What percentage of V/Line journeys are made by passengers who pay an adult fare, whether or not that fare is at the ordinary rate or calculated at a periodical or discounted rate.
- (4) What trends, if any, are evident in farebox revenue in 2003–2004 to date.
- (5) How many passenger journeys were made on the V/Line network in 2002–2003 beyond the inter-urban boundaries of —
- (a) South Geelong;
 - (b) Kyneton;
 - (c) Ballarat;
 - (d) Seymour; and
 - (e) Traralgon.
- (6) How much farebox revenue was derived in 2002–2003 from passenger journeys made on all V/Line coach services.
- (7) How much revenue was derived in 2002–2003 from V/Line Passenger journeys made on longer distance rail services operating beyond the inter-urban area to locations such as Albury, Swan Hill and Sale, excluding inter-urban journeys such as Melbourne to Seymour made on these services.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 14 OCTOBER 2003

- 344 **TEACHER RELEASE TO INDUSTRY PROGRAM** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What has been the funding commitment to the Program for 1998–1999, 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004.
 - (2) How many teachers participated in the Program for the period 1998 to 2003.
 - (3) What were the range of industries in which the teachers were involved.
 - (4) What evaluation has been undertaken of the Program and what were the chief recommendations.
 - (5) What is the Government's funding commitment for 2004.

347 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer —

- (1) Which authorities (as defined in the *Audit Act 1994*) that report to the Treasurer have, since October 1999, initiated projects costing \$1 million or more for the upgrade, expansion or enhancement of their information technology.
- (2) When did each such project commence.
- (3) When did each such project that has been completed finish, and what is the estimated finishing date for each such project not yet completed.
- (4) What were the objectives of each such project.
- (5) What did each such project consist of.
- (6) What has been the cost of each such project that has been completed, and what is the estimated cost of each such project not yet completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 15 OCTOBER 2003**348 SITTING FEES FOR MEMBERS OF STATUTORY BOARDS — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the practice of members of statutory boards being paid daily or half daily sitting fees —**

- (1) Does a full day mean —
 - (a) 24 hours;
 - (b) 7.6 hours;
 - (c) 3.9 hours; or
 - (d) some other time frame.
- (2) Does a half day mean —
 - (a) 12 hours;
 - (b) 3.8 hours; or
 - (c) some other time frame.
- (3) What plans (if any) does the Government have to clarify the statutory definition of a sitting day or half sitting day for boards so that ambiguities regarding sitting fees for members of statutory boards might be clarified.

- 349 **NORTHERN PACIFIC SEASTAR IN VICTORIAN WATERS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment —
- (1) What is the current estimated number of Seastar in Port Phillip Bay.
 - (2) Has the Seastar been detected in Western Port Bay.
 - (3) What is the funding allocation for research into the Seastar in 2003–2004.
 - (4) What has been the allocation for research funding into the problem of the Seastar on a per year basis over the last four years.
- 350 **FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for the Transport — what was the farebox revenue collected in each of 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 for each of Zone 1, Zone 2, Zone 3, Zones 1+2, Zones 2+3 and Zones 1+2+3 in Melbourne's public transport system for the following ticket types —
- (1) Adult 2 hour.
 - (2) Adult daily.
 - (3) Adult weekly.
 - (4) Adult monthly.
 - (5) Adult yearly.
 - (6) Concession 2 hour.
 - (7) Concession daily (excluding 60-plus).
 - (8) Concession weekly.
 - (9) Concession monthly.
 - (10) Concession yearly.
 - (11) Adult short trip (Zone 1 only).
 - (12) Adult rail plus two (Zone 1 only).
 - (13) Adult two hour x 10.
 - (14) Concession two hour x 10.
 - (15) Adult short trip x 10.
 - (16) Concession short trip x 10.
 - (17) 60-plus.

- (18) Group Get-a-bout.
- (19) Melbourne Delegate Card.
- (20) Family daily.
- (21) Adult off-peak saver (Zone 2 and Zone 3 only).
- (22) Concession off-peak saver (Zone 2 and Zone 3 only).
- (23) Student pass (six monthly validity).
- (24) Student pass (yearly validity).

QUESTION ASKED ON 15 OCTOBER 2003

352 **GRAFFITI** — Mr Mulder to ask the Honourable the Minister for the Transport with reference to the response to question 38 received on 8 May 2003 —

- (1) Why has M>Train or VicTrack still not removed the graffiti from South Yarra's redundant signal box at the Melbourne end of the South Yarra platforms.
- (2) What is meant by the words 'promptly remove graffiti'.

QUESTION ASKED ON 16 OCTOBER 2003

354 **TRUANCY DATA** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the Minister's comments quoted in *The Age* on 9 May 2003 which said in part: 'The Education Department will also keep more detailed data on truancy. Previously, truancy and absences approved by parents were listed in the one figure. From this year, the department will collect separate data. You do need to get a sense of why the non-attendance has happened and whether it's sporadic days or whether it's groups of days'— what detailed data has been collected and what does the data show.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 28 OCTOBER 2003

355 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum — what is the rationale for the proposal and what progress has been made in implementing it.

- 356 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the growing interest in VCE psychology among young people and the high rates of mental illness and suicide — how is a proposal to remove mental health issues from the curriculum justified.
- 357 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the suggestion that one of the main reasons for the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum is the lack of sufficiently well trained teachers in this subject — what resources has the Department put into recruiting and training the teachers needed for this subject.
- 358 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 358a Minister for Community Services
 358b Minister for Education and Training
 358c Minister for Education Services
- (1) Have some families been on the early intervention waiting list for the Service for over two years.
- (2) What is the Government doing to eliminate waiting lists for these families in such a crucial time for their children.
- 359 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 359a Minister for Community Services
 359b Minister for Education and Training
 359c Minister for Education Services
- Are there any plans for additional government support to employ more travelling teachers for the Service to eliminate waiting lists, so families can expect the service they deserve and need for immediate early intervention.
- 360 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 360b Minister for Agriculture
 360c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
 360e Attorney-General
 360i Minister for Education and Training
 360j Minister for Education Services
 360k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
 360l Minister for Environment
 360n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
 360p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
 360ah Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
 360ai Treasurer

360aj Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
 360ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology
 360am Minister for Victorian Communities
 360an Minister for Water
 360ap Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department or private office since 27 March 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

361 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

361c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
 361e Attorney-General
 361f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
 361h Minister for Corrections
 361i Minister for Education and Training
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 361ai Treasurer
 361aj Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
 361ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology
 361am Minister for Victorian Communities
 361ap Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 5 December 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

362 **AUTISTIC CHILDREN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) For each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 how many parents (or carers) of autistic children have relinquished their children to the care of the Department of Human Services.
- (2) For each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 how many parents (or carers) of autistic children have threatened the Department of Human Services with relinquishing their children to the care of the Department.

- 364 **STATE HOME LOANS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the various State Home Loans (such as the HOLS and SHOS schemes) —
- (1) How many people still have loans with the Office of Housing.
 - (2) How many people have taken advantage of the Government's home loans offer since it was introduced.
 - (3) How many of the borrowers who still have loans with the Office of Housing are eligible for the Government scheme.
- 366 **HOUSE PURCHASES IN THE BENDIGO REGION** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —
- (1) How many houses has the Government purchased in the Bendigo region for transitional housing between December 1999 and October 2003.
 - (2) What was the total cost of the houses purchased.
 - (3) By suburb, what are the locations of the properties purchased.
 - (4) What is the size of each property purchased.
- 367 **OFFICE OF HOUSING HOUSES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —
- (1) How many houses has the Office of Housing sold in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 respectively, by Department of Human Services region.
 - (2) How many properties has the Office of Housing acquired in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 respectively, by Department of Human Services region.
- 368 **REDEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —
- (1) What is the itemised list of estates earmarked for redevelopment or neighbourhood renewal programs, including a progress report on each public housing site.
 - (2) Whether the redevelopment of these estates involves contributions in kind from the not-for-profit sector or private developers, including details of the type of contribution made towards each such redevelopment.
 - (3) What are the details of public estates where the Government has already undertaken or proposes to undertake the subdivision and sell the land for private sector development.

- (4) What are the details of the type of contractual arrangement the Government proposes to negotiate with 'private developers' to encourage a mix of private and public housing developments on Government-owned sites.
- (5) What are the details of private investors who have submitted a joint venture proposal for the redevelopment of public housing estates.

369 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AT RALEIGH STREET, WINDSOR** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of the estate —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the Council; if so, when.
- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) What is the 2002–2003 budget for the redevelopment.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.

370 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of each of Victory Boulevard in Ashburton, Thomson Estate in Geelong East, Rathdowne Street in Carlton, Raglan Ingles Estate in Port Melbourne, Elizabeth Street in Richmond, Kensington Estate in Kensington, Long Gully in Bendigo, Maidstone/Braybrook Estate, Mark/Rundle Estate in Wodonga, Parkside Estate in Shepparton and Peace Court in Doveton —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the relevant Council; if so, when.
- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) How much has been budgeted for this development in 2003–2004.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.
- (8) Broken down by the number of bedrooms, how many units will be available as a result of this redevelopment for —

- (a) public housing; and
- (b) private housing.

371 **WENDOREE WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PROJECT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the total expected cost of the project.
- (2) What is the amount in the 2003–2004 State budget for the project.
- (3) When is work scheduled to commence on the 11 properties whose tenants have decided on design options for their properties.
- (4) What is the budget for 2003–2004 for —
 - (a) physical improvements and redevelopment of properties; and
 - (b) all other elements of the project.
- (5) How many public properties will be redeveloped as part of this project.
- (6) What is the total cost of the redevelopment of these properties.
- (7) Has a developer been selected for the redevelopment; if so, who.
- (8) What is the commencement date of the works.
- (9) What is the anticipated completion date of the works.

QUESTION ASKED ON 29 OCTOBER 2003

372 **ASBESTOS IN MELBOURNE YARD STABLING SIDINGS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each of the Broadmeadows, Cranbourne, Frankston, Pakenham, Sandringham, Watergardens, Werribee, Williamstown and Upfield lines between 15 and 24 October 2003 inclusive as a result of asbestos being found in the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.
- (2) What was the scheduled time of departure from its terminus of all trains cancelled on each line, and on what dates was each cancelled.
- (3) What steps are being taken to ensure that any further asbestos residues are immediately discovered and then removed from inner city stabling sidings such as in the North Melbourne area, closer to North Melbourne station than the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 NOVEMBER 2003

373 **M>TRAIN** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) When will M>Train next change its timetables on all its lines.
- (2) When will six carriage trains on the Upfield line be introduced.
- (3) Will the change to six carriage trains on the Upfield line be in peak hours only.
- (4) How many of M>Train's six carriage sets are required to operate each of the current morning and afternoon weekday peak services.
- (5) How many of each of Hitachi, Comeng and Siemens six carriage sets were in service with M>Train on 5 November 2003.

375 **PUBLIC TRANSPORT FARE INCREASE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Will fares increase in either December 2003 or January 2004.
- (2) What is the likely percentage increase.

QUESTION ASKED ON 6 NOVEMBER 2003

376 **VICTORIA POLICE PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — what are the targets for 2003–2004 for —

- (1) Police presence in the community listed by each of total number of patrol hours and total hours of assistance to the community at police stations/work areas.
- (2) Community safety programs listed by total hours of police service.
- (3) Response readiness listed by total number of joint emergency response exercises conducted.
- (4) Response to incidents listed by number of calls for assistance to which a response was dispatched.
- (5) Investigation of crimes against the person listed by total hours of investigation.
- (6) Investigation of crimes against property listed by total hours of investigation.
- (7) Investigation of illegal drug activity listed by total hours of investigation.
- (8) Road safety strategies and awareness listed by each of total hours committed to road safety strategies and awareness programs.

- (9) Road traffic law enforcement listed by total hours of operation.
- (10) Managing people in custody listed by total hours of prisoner supervision.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 18 NOVEMBER 2003

378 **HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES** — Mr Ryan to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) Why is the Hazardous Waste Siting Advisory Committee not mentioned in any of the material released by the Government and did it play any role in the site selection.
- (2) Where were the other 100, 14 and six sites that were originally identified before the Government came up with the final three at Violet Town, Pittong and Tiega.
- (3) Why is it that the soil recycling facility at Dutson Downs will not be subject to an environmental effects statement when these three sites will be.
- (4) What were the '30 stringent criteria' used by the Government to identify the three sites.
- (5) On what criteria were two thirds of the State ruled out through computer mapping alone.
- (6) How can it be possible that no suitable Crown land could be found.
- (7) Why is it that, given the Government expects the facility to be highly secure, no sites were short-listed in the metropolitan area where the bulk of the waste will come from.
- (8) How long has this process been underway and were any tests taken on private land without the consent of landholders.

379 **GUN BUYBACK SCHEME** — Mr Ryan to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —

- (1) How many handguns have been surrendered.
- (2) What is the total cost of the buyback plan at this stage and how does this compare with Government estimates.

380 **BASSLINK PTY LTD** — Mr Ingram to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to the construction of the Basslink Pty Ltd marine cable and its impact on commercial and recreational fisheries —

- (1) In relation to the code of conduct for commercial fishers as required by the Minister for Planning —
 - (a) has Basslink Pty Ltd prepared a code of conduct for commercial fishers as required;

- (b) has the Government approved the code and when will it be publicly available;
 - (c) will the code be agreed to before the Basslink project commences;
 - (d) if a code of conduct cannot be agreed to, will the Minister ensure that issues of concern are addressed;
 - (e) with which fishing groups and individuals did the proponents consult in developing the code; and
 - (f) did the proponents consult with Gippsland fishers such as those from Yarram, Port Albert, McLoughlin's Beach, Lakes Entrance, Port Welshpool and Port Franklin, if not, why not; if so, with whom.
- (2) In the consultation process, what changes were made from the draft code of conduct to reflect the concerns raised by the commercial fishers.
 - (3) Did the proponents consult with the recreational fishers of Gippsland who will actually be fishing and anchoring in the Victorian waters where the sub-sea cables are proposed to be laid.
 - (4) As the planned use of the metallic return cable results in a magnetic field which will cause deviation of magnetic boat compasses, how is this safety information being provided to all Gippsland fishers.
 - (5) As the commercial fishers at Port Albert have not accepted the use of the Bruce anchor, why is it still being endorsed by Basslink.
 - (6) As the movement of the strong Bass Strait currents through the magnetic field of the bundled sub-sea cables creates an induced electric field which will be detected by sharks and rays, what studies have been conducted by Basslink to confirm the changes in shark and ray behaviour which may occur when the cables are in use.
 - (7) Will the operating cables cause more sharks to swim inshore close to the public swimming beaches along the tourist attraction of the Ninety Mile Beach.
 - (8) What studies have been undertaken to assess the impact on tourism in the area.
 - (9) If, in the event that Basslink is constructed with metallic return marine cables bundled together instead of the more benign coaxial cable, and sharks and rays follow the cable as scientific research suggests, will the Government have the power to force the operators to turn off the cable.
 - (10) Will the Government have the power to force the owner of the cable to remove the metallic return configuration and have it replaced with coaxial cable.
 - (11) If the cable needs to be modified after construction, who will be required to bear the cost of modification.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 19 NOVEMBER 2003

- 381 **VICROADS TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to VicRoads 'traffic controllers' (boxes) that control signalised intersections —
- (1) Within how many days must reported graffiti be removed.
 - (2) How many are located in each of VicRoads Metropolitan South East, Metropolitan North West, Eastern, Northeastern, Southwestern and Western regional areas.
 - (3) How many complaints were received about faults in each region's signalised intersections in each of October 2002 and October 2003.
 - (4) What were the main categories, by number, about which complaints were concerned.
 - (5) How many of the complaints in each of the above months included a name, address and telephone contact number.
- 382 **V/LINE FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — what total V/Line farebox revenue in 2002–2003 was derived from sales of tickets that included a journey commencing, or terminating, at each of Nar Nar Goon, Garfield, Tynong, Bunyip, Longwarry, Drouin, Warragul, Yarragon, Trafalgar, Moe, Morwell and Traralgon.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 NOVEMBER 2003

- 383 **GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to funding for languages other than english (LOTE) as part of the formal curriculum and out of school hours program — what has been the Government funding commitment for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004.
- 384 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to train cancellations on the Dandenong line and in particular the cancellation of the 10.00 pm city bound train from Oakleigh on 27 October 2003 — what have been the reasons for service cancellations.
- 385 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BEACH ROAD, BEAUMARIS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,657 fines being issued following 195.77 hours of operation and raising \$403,864 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.

- 386 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BLUFF ROAD, HAMPTON** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,522 fines being issued following 134.94 hours of operation and raising \$383,344 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.
- 387 **CHILD MIGRANTS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Premier with reference to the Senate Community Affairs Committee's Report on child migrants, *Lost Innocents: Righting the Record*, and the recommendation that the Victorian Government contributes to the fund which provides for former British and Maltese child migrants wishing to visit their birthplaces —
- (1) What funding has the Government committed to assist former child migrants complete their reunion visits to their country of origin in 2002–2003.
 - (2) What plans does the Government have to commit funding pursuant to the Senate recommendation in 2003–2004.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 NOVEMBER 2003

- 388 **ERRATIC OR DANGEROUS DRIVING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 388a Minister for Police and Emergency Services
388b Minister for Transport
- (1) How many reports of persons aged 65 or over claimed to be driving erratically or dangerously have Victoria Police submitted to VicRoads since 1 January 2003.
 - (2) How many of these reports emanated from driving instructors.
 - (3) How many driving licences held by persons aged 65 years or over have been suspended or had conditions placed on them for alleged erratic or dangerous driving since 1 January 2003.
- 389 **FARE RISES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — what fare rises will apply from 1 January 2004 to —
- (1) Geelong urban bus services.
 - (2) Bendigo urban bus services.
 - (3) Ballarat urban bus services.
 - (4) Latrobe Valley urban bus services, including services between Moe, Morwell, Traralgon, Churchill and Yallourn.

- (5) Shepparton urban bus services.
 - (6) Warrnambool urban bus services.
 - (7) Each of V/Line rail and coach passenger services.
- 390 **LIBRA CONSULTING** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to services provided to Victoria Police by Libra Consulting — how many hours of service were invoiced, and what were the total amounts paid to Libra Consulting in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003.
- 391 **VICTORIA POLICE VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the Victoria Police vehicle fleet as at 1 June 2000, 1 June 2001, 1 June 2002 and 1 June 2003 —
- (1) How many vehicles were ‘on loan’.
 - (2) How many vehicles were deployed to Traffic Operations Group duties.
 - (3) How many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria.
- 392 **VICTORIA POLICE MATERNITY AND PATERNITY LEAVE** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — with reference to Victoria Police full-time or equivalent sworn members as at 1 June 2000, 1 June 2001, 1 June 2002 and 1 June 2003 —
- (1) How many were provided maternity leave.
 - (2) What was the total equivalent number of hours of leave granted to members provided with maternity leave.
 - (3) How many were provided paternity leave.
 - (4) What was the total equivalent number of hours of leave granted to members provided with paternity leave.

QUESTION ASKED ON 17 NOVEMBER 2003

- 393 **REVENUE RECEIVED** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer — what was the amount of revenue received in 2002–2003, and what is the estimated amount of revenue to be received in 2003–2004 from each of the following heads of duty —
- (1) Transfers of real property.
 - (2) Declarations of trust.
 - (3) Public liability insurance policies.

- (4) Other non-life insurance policies.
- (5) Mortgages.
- (6) New motor vehicles.
- (7) Used motor vehicles.
- (8) Transport Accident Charge.
- (9) Hire of goods.
- (10) Temporary or term life insurance policies.
- (11) Other life insurance policies.
- (12) Sale of cattle.
- (13) Sale of sheep and goats.
- (14) Any other head of duty.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 2 MARCH 2004

- 394 **TRANSPORT MURAL AT SPENCER STREET STATION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport — what plans does the Government have to relocate the heritage-listed mural by Harold Freedman and David Jack, from the Victorian State Studio, which notes the significant transport modes of the first 100 years of settlement in Victoria to an appropriate public place.
- 395 **CHIEF JUSTICE APPOINTMENT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the recent appointment of the new Chief Justice which followed a period of public advertising — how much money was spent advertising the position in —
- (1) Victoria.
 - (2) Tasmania.
 - (3) South Australia.
 - (4) Western Australia.
 - (5) Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.
 - (6) Queensland.
 - (7) New South Wales.

396 **BUSH NURSING CENTRES IN VICTORIA** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care —

- (1) To provide a list of the Centres which have been funded by the Department of Human Services.
- (2) To provide details of the value of administration grants paid to each Centre.

397 **SCHOOL SERVICES OFFICERS (SSO)** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

397a Minister for Education Services

397b Minister for Education and Training

- (1) What percentage of SSO vacancies listed in the Education Times include contract positions which are filled by the incumbent holder of the contract in the previous year.
- (2) What is the Minister's response to the proposition put by an existing SSO that 'SSOs who are in excess and need to be redeployed, are required to ring around to establish whether listed vacancies are "real" jobs, go through the process of letter applications, multiple copies for panel members, go through an interview, only to be given a predetermined and predictable result'.
- (3) What is the Minister's response to the proposition put by an existing SSO that 'the minister introduce a list of "real" vacancies with many tagged ongoing to reduce the inefficiency of the current system and improve morale and job prospects for SSOs in government schools'.

398 **OFFICE EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

398a Minister for Innovation

398b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003, what are the details of expenses of the office of the Minister, including —

- (1) Number of ministerial staff allocated to the Minister.
- (2) Staff salaries and on-costs.
- (3) Other recurrent ministerial office operating expenses.
- (4) Minister's and/or office international flights and destination of international flights.
- (5) Minister's and/or office domestic flights.
- (6) Travel-related expenses.
- (7) Alcohol costs.

399 **DEPARTMENTAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

399a Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

399b Minister for Innovation

399c Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all advertising campaigns relating to the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration, indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 January 2003.

400 **CHARTER FLIGHT COSTS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

400a Minister for Innovation

400b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003 to date, what are the details for all charter flights, including helicopters and light planes, used by the Minister and/or the Minister's office indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Carrier.
- (3) Destination.
- (4) Cost.
- (5) Purpose.

401 **CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

401a Minister for Innovation

401b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of each consultancy commissioned by the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration since 1 January 2003, indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Cost.
- (3) Purpose.
- (4) Name and address of consultant.
- (5) Recommendations made.
- (6) Action taken in response to any recommendations.

- (7) Whether tenders were called.

402 **DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

402a Minister for Innovation

402b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all publications produced by the Minister's department, indicating in each case —

- (1) Title.
- (2) Date of issue and distribution.
- (3) Cost of production.
- (4) Number printed.
- (5) Printer's name.
- (6) Details of distribution, including numbers and cost.
- (7) The purpose of the production.

403 **ADVERTISING BUDGET IN ETHNIC MEDIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs —

- (1) What percentage of their campaign advertising budget has each department and agency spent in the ethnic media for 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003.
- (2) Which government departments and agencies have not met government guidelines relating to the requirement to spend a minimum of five per cent of their advertising budget in ethnic media.
- (3) What action is the Government taking in relation to those departments and agencies that do not spend the minimum amount of five per cent of their advertising budget in ethnic media.

404 **MULTICULTURAL INITIATIVES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs —

- (1) How much did each department and agency spend on multicultural initiatives in 2002–2003.
- (2) How much does each department and agency expect to spend on multicultural initiatives in 2003–2004.

- (3) Has there been an increase or decrease in spending in multicultural initiatives between 2002 and 2004.

405 **ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

405a Minister for Innovation

405b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

With reference to the Minister's office and/or departmental resources used by the Minister, what are the details of all entertainment expenses incurred, indicating —

- (1) The total costs.
- (2) Itemised details of all expenditure over \$500 including —
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) number of guests;
 - (c) cost;
 - (d) purpose; and
 - (e) name of the service provider.

406 **FEDERATION SQUARE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to Federation Square Management Pty Ltd —

- (1) On what date was the decision made to reclassify a \$14.2 million loan to 'forgiveness of debt'.
- (2) What were the reason/s for this decision being made.

407 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIOS** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

407a Minister for Innovation

407b Minister for Major Projects

407c Minister for State and Regional Development

With reference to work undertaken since 4 December 2003 at the Studios —

- (1) What are the names of the consultants who undertook work in relation to the Studios.
- (2) Briefly describe the type of work undertaken.
- (3) What remuneration did the named consultants receive.
- (4) What dates was the work performed.

- 408 **FIXED TRAFFIC CAMERAS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the fixed camera at the corner of Thomas Street and North Road, Brighton East —
- (1) What date was the camera installed.
 - (2) How many fines have been issued.
- 409 **FIXED TRAFFIC CAMERAS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —
- (1) What are the sites (other than the corner of Thomas Street and North Road, Brighton East) in the electorate of Brighton (suburbs of Brighton, Brighton East, parts of the suburbs of Elsternwick, Elwood, Gardenvale, Hampton and Hampton East) that have fixed traffic cameras installed.
 - (2) Are there any plans to install additional fixed traffic cameras in the electorate of Brighton.
- 410 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 410a Premier
 - 410b Minister for Agriculture
 - 410c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
 - 410d Minister for the Arts
 - 410e Attorney-General
 - 410f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
 - 410g Minister for Community Services
 - 410h Minister for Corrections
 - 410i Minister for Education Services
 - 410j Minister for Education and Training
 - 410k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
 - 410l Minister for Environment
 - 410m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
 - 410n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
 - 410o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
 - 410p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
 - 410q Minister for Financial Services Industry
 - 410r Minister for Gaming
 - 410s Minister for Health
 - 410t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
 - 410u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
 - 410v Minister for Industrial Relations
 - 410w Minister for Innovation
 - 410x Minister for Major Projects
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 410ae Minister for Tourism
 410af Minister for Transport
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 410aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
 410ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
 410al Minister for Victorian Communities
 410am Minister for Water
 410an Minister for Women's Affairs
 410ao Minister for WorkCover
 410ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) Since 20 October 1999, how many jobs awarded to the company were exempted from the Victorian Government Purchasing Board.
- (2) On what grounds were exemptions given.
- (3) Was a certificate of exemption issued.
- (4) Who signed the documents granting exemption.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 3 MARCH 2004

411 **WORKPLACE BULLYING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

411a Premier
 411b Minister for Agriculture
 411c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
 411d Minister for the Arts
 411e Attorney-General
 411f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
 411g Minister for Community Services
 411h Minister for Corrections
 411i Minister for Education Services
 411j Minister for Education and Training
 411k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
 411l Minister for Environment
 411m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
 411n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
 411o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
 411p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
 411q Minister for Financial Services Industry
 411r Minister for Gaming
 411s Minister for Health
 411t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care

- 411u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
- 411v Minister for Industrial Relations
- 411w Minister for Innovation
- 411x Minister for Major Projects
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- (1) How many cases of bullying in the workplace have been reported to each department or agency under the aegis of the Minister between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2003.
- (2) How many of these claims resulted in WorkCover cases being established.
- (3) What was the total cost of these claims.
- (4) What has been the dollar increase in premiums for each individual department or agency due to claims for bullying in the workplace.

412 **SIEMENS THREE CAR SETS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Siemens three car sets had been accepted by M>Train following testing as at 1 March 2004.
- (2) How many further three car sets are expected to be delivered by —
 - (a) 31 May 2004;
 - (b) 31 August 2004;
 - (c) 30 November 2004;
 - (d) 28 February 2005.

- 413 **CHILD-SEX OFFENDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the visit of convicted child-sex offender Paul Cudmore to Northcote Shopping Plaza —
- (1) What was the outcome of the full examination and inquiry by the Department of Human Services announced by the Premier on 23 February 2004 into how Paul Cudmore was able to abscond from his guardians and will the Minister make public the outcome of the inquiry.
 - (2) Was recommendation 20 of the September 2001 Report of the Review Panel to Consider the Operation of the Disability Services at the Statewide Forensic Service (SFS) followed and had the staff member accompanying Mr Cudmore —
 - (a) worked for SFS for at least six months;
 - (b) undertaken and satisfactorily completed the workplace orientation and induction program;
 - (c) completed at least 18 shifts within Mr Cudmore's unit of residence.
 - (3) Why were SFS rules concerning community access (leave), which state that SFS clients with a history of child-sex offences should not be taken to areas frequented by children, ignored in this case.
- 414 **INQUIRY INTO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the inquiry into the juvenile justice system by Mr Bob Falconer, announced by the Premier on 16 February 2004, to provide —
- (1) Terms of reference.
 - (2) Timelines.
 - (3) Costs.
- 415 **PROPOSED CLOSURE OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the proposed closure of the Central Health Interpreter Service — what formal consultation took place with —
- (1) Representatives from the Ethnic Communities Council of Victoria.
 - (2) Representatives of the Victorian Multicultural Commission.
 - (3) Professional representatives of the Australian Institute of Interpreters and Translators.
 - (4) Representatives of the Ethnic Community Organisation in Victoria.
 - (5) The Office of the Premier or the Office of the Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs.
 - (6) Rural and regional health network administrators and medical practitioners.

- 416 **CHAIRPERSON OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the appointment of Mr Stan Naylor as Chairperson of the Central Health Interpreter Service —
- (1) What were the terms of reference for his appointment.
 - (2) What were the reasons all former Board members declined to be reappointed.
 - (3) What was the name of the report prepared by Mr Naylor which reviewed the Service.
 - (4) What were the recommendations in the report.
- 417 **HEALTH SERVICE INTERPRETER SERVICES IN RURAL AND REGIONAL AREAS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the provision of interpreter services for migrant Victorians in rural and regional Victorian health networks and the pending closure of the Central Health Interpreter Service on 26 March 2004, a service which has been funded by the Department of Human Services for over 23 years —
- (1) What guarantee does the Government give that only National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters Level 3 health specialist interpreter services will be available in rural and regional Victoria on an ongoing basis.
 - (2) Whether rural and regional hospitals have been informed of any interim procedures which will allow for the continuing delivery of services at the same level of health specialist expertise.
- 418 **CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health — what guarantees and accountability measures are in place to ensure that the distribution of the \$1.8 million currently funding the Central Health Interpreter Service will be spent in the delivery of interpreter services by health networks.
- 419 **MELBOURNE 2030** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — how many submissions on the implementation of Melbourne 2030 supported the changes to the Urban Growth Boundary in the Lyndhurst Area, in accordance with the Government's decision as introduced in November 2003, and from whom were those submissions received.
- 420 **YEAR OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what is the total amount of funding dedicated to the Year of the Built Environment.
- 421 **BOYD HOUSE** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what has been the total cost of consultancies, including legal fees, engaged by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, and Heritage Victoria and/or their representatives and agents, concerning action taken in relation to 666 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, otherwise known as the 'Boyd House', and its owner Maria Rajendrau, for each year since 30 June 1999.

- 422 **REGISTERED ROOF FIXING PLUMBERS** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — how many applications to become a registered roof fixing plumber were approved by the Plumbing Industry Commission during the limited period of time in December 2003 and January 2004 when the Commission determined to allow applications by any person regardless of the length of time they have been doing such work.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 30 MARCH 2004

- 423 **BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS (BEST)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —
- (1) Is there a register maintained of declared gifts, gratuities or other benefits, as received by BEST management, employees and contractors, from external companies, organisations or individuals.
 - (2) If there is no register, what probity measures are in place to ensure that BEST management, employees and contractors are not subjected to offers of, or accept, monetary or non-monetary inducements/benefits from potential bidders, actual bidders or other stakeholders, on projects managed or overseen by BEST.
 - (3) Have any gifts, gratuities or other benefits been declared by BEST management, employees and contractors in relation to three current projects under management of BEST — the Mobile Data Terminal Network (MDT), the Melbourne Metropolitan Radio Network (MMR) and the Emergency Altering System (EAS).
- 424 **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY BURWOOD CAMPUS NORTHERN OVAL** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the discussions with the Burwood campus of Deakin University regarding the ownership and use of the site known as the Northern Oval —
- (1) When did the discussions start.
 - (2) How many discussions or meetings have taken place.
 - (3) What specifically has been discussed so far.
 - (4) What is still to be discussed.
 - (5) What agreements have been reached.
 - (6) Is one of the points of discussion about a long term recreation space agreement and, if so, how long would that agreement last.
 - (7) Has the Government offered Deakin University a price for the land and, if so, how much.
 - (8) When will the Deakin-owned portion of the Northern Oval be transferred to public ownership as stated in an e-mail from the Minister's office dated 22 November 2002 and has it been determined what it will take to make this now 15-month old promise happen.

425 **FLAME RETARDANT CURTAINS AND INTERNAL FITTING IN SCHOOLS** —
Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

425a Minister for Education Services

425b Minister for Education and Training

How many schools are fitted out with flame retardant curtains and internal fittings as required under the Uniform Building Code of Australia in each of —

- (1) State primary schools.
- (2) State secondary schools.
- (3) Catholic schools.
- (4) Independent schools.

426 **M>TRAIN TRAINS IN SERVICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how many Siemens six-car trains were in revenue-carrying passenger service for M>Train on Tuesday 30 March 2004.

427 **M>TRAIN SIEMENS CARS** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

427a Minister for Transport

427b Treasurer

427c Treasurer for the Minister for Finance

- (1) What is the monthly cost to M>Train for leasing —
 - (a) Siemens motor cars;
 - (b) Siemens trailer cars that have been accepted from the manufacturer after completing testing.
- (2) What is the period of lease for each car.
- (3) What is the monthly cost of security guards employed at each of Dandenong and St Albans Stations to monitor stored Siemens train sets.
- (4) What amount is being paid for security guards at each of Dandenong and St Albans Stations by —
 - (a) M>Train;
 - (b) Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) Department of Treasury and Finance;
 - (d) Siemens Rail Services or other associated companies;

(c) other entities.

428 **BOX HILL BUS TERMINAL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Box Hill bus terminal above Centro Box Hill —

- (1) How often is the terminal cleaned.
- (2) Will the timetables missing from the cases relating to National Bus routes 284 and 315 be replaced at these locations and, if so, when.
- (3) How many outbound journeys are made by passengers joining at the terminal on a typical weekday when school terms and university semesters are underway.

429 **M>TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to trains operated by M>Train —

- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each line operated by M>Train on —
 - (a) Monday 29 March 2004;
 - (b) Tuesday 30 March 2004.
- (2) What time was each service scheduled to depart Flinders Street Station and to which destination.
- (3) What was the reason for each cancellation.

430 **DIRECTOR OF VICTORIAN OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs — whether the position of Director or Acting Director of the Victorian Office of Multicultural Affairs has been filled and, if so, what process was followed to select the successful candidate.

431 **TRAM NETWORK RESTRICTIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) On what, if any, sections or full routes of Melbourne's tram network are the following types of trams unable to operate —
 - (a) 'D1' class three-section Combinos;
 - (b) 'D2' class five-section Combinos;
 - (c) Citadis trams.
- (2) What action, if any, does Yarra Trams or the Department of Infrastructure intend to take to rectify any such deficiencies in the network and by what date will each specific restriction be lifted.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 31 MARCH 2004

- 432 **STAMP DUTY COLLECTED IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer — what was the dollar amount of stamp duty collected for 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004 to date from the suburbs of —
- (1) Brighton (postcode 3186).
 - (2) Brighton East (postcode 3187).
- 433 **SCHOOLS IN THE BRIGHTON ELECTORATE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What is/will be the amount of recurrent expenditure and any other annual or one-off grants in 2003-2004 for —
 - (a) Brighton Primary School; and
 - (b) Brighton Secondary College.
 - (2) What funds have been/will be directed in 2003-2004 to —
 - (a) St Leonard's College, East Brighton;
 - (b) Star of the Sea College, Gardenvale; and
 - (c) Haileybury College, East Brighton.
- 434 **DRAG RACING IN ELWOOD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to drag racing on Ormond Esplanade, Elwood —
- (1) What measures have police taken to reduce this activity.
 - (2) How many people have been fined for such activity in 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 435 **FEDERATION SQUARE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer —
- (1) On what date was the decision made to reclassify a \$14.2 million loan to 'forgiveness of debt'.
 - (2) What were the reasons for this decision being made.
- 436 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services — what was the aggregate sum approved for flood relief by the Department of Human Services for the December 2003 floods and the January 2004 floods in metropolitan Melbourne.

437 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services receive for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.

- (2) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services approve for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 51

Tuesday 20 April 2004

438 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO PROBITY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to the *Probity Plan for the Docklands Film and Television Studio Complex Project* —

- (1) Was the template Confidentiality Agreement Annex B used; if not, why.
- (2) Were confidentiality statements obtained from all Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor.
- (3) On what date/s were the confidentiality statements obtained.
- (4) How many confidentiality statements were not obtained and from whom were they not obtained.
- (5) If there was a failure to obtain confidentiality statements, including from any new consultants and team members, what was the reason.
- (6) Were all 'movements of submissions' logged and monitored, and how many were there.
- (7) In Phase 3 (Request for Tender) were the confidentiality statements for Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor confirmed; if not, why.
- (8) If the confidentiality statements were confirmed, on what date/s were they confirmed.
- (9) How many 'interviews and presentations' took place during the Request for Tender stage.
- (10) On what dates, and with which tenderer, did these 'interviews and presentations' take place.
- (11) Were records of interviews, meetings, agendas and file notes kept of all these 'interviews and presentations'; if not, on which dates and in relation to which tenderers were written records not kept.
- (12) Who were the 'authorised persons' with access to 'documents which contain tender related commercially sensitive information'.
- (13) Were all documents containing tender related commercially sensitive information 'stored at all times in secure conditions'.
- (14) Where precisely and under what circumstances was this information stored.

- (15) Was a 'Movement Control Register' maintained; if so, how many movements were recorded in the register.
- (16) Which tenders appeared on the Movement Control Register, on which dates were the tenders moved and returned, and to whom were the tenders issued.
- (17) Was the electronic information kept in the manner prescribed.
- (18) What were all the dates of meetings with Central City Studios (CCS) and were all these meetings attended by the required two persons; if not, on which date/s did meetings take place without the stipulated two persons being present.
- (19) On which date/s was a minute taker not present.

439 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —

- (1) Did the Minister meet with Central City Studios (CCS) or any person/s purporting to represent CCS; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
- (2) Did the Minister meet with Mr Peter Bartels; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.

440 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT AUDITOR** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — why was no probity auditor appointed as at 30 August 2001 when Expression of Interests (EOIs) had already been called for.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 52

Wednesday 21 April 2004

- 441 **UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ON NOTICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will questions 77, 225, 253, 254, 343, 350, 352, 372, 373, 375, 381, 382, 388b and 389 asked between 25 March 2003 and 25 November 2003 be answered.
- 442 **REDUNDANT TRAM DRIVERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) When will all former M>Tram and Yarra Trams tram drivers recently forced into redundancy as a result of Yarra Trams commencing to operate all of Melbourne's tram network be paid their full entitlements.
 - (2) Have some drivers who have returned all M>Tram keys and property issued to them still not received their entitlements a week after returning the keys and property.
 - (3) What is the total amount owing to former M>Tram drivers made redundant.
- 443 **TIME SAVINGS ON TRAM JOURNEYS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — what time savings will occur on each tram route between the terminus and final destination as a result of the *Tram to It* program on a typical —
- (1) Inbound weekday morning peak hour journey.
 - (2) Outbound weekday afternoon peak hour journey.
 - (3) Off-peak weekday journey.
 - (4) Saturday daytime journey.
 - (5) Sunday daytime journey.
- 444 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many M>Train (or from 18 April 2004, Connex) services scheduled to run express between Cheltenham and Caulfield, or Caulfield and Cheltenham, have been cancelled on each weekday between 29 March 2004 and 21 April 2004 inclusive.
 - (2) What time and date was each cancelled service timetabled to depart either Cheltenham (for an 'up' service) or Caulfield (for a 'down' service).

- (3) Have any 'stopping all stations' services on the Frankston line exceeded 800 passengers on board at any one station as a result of these cancellations.

445 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train (or from 18 April 2004, Connex) services have been cancelled on the Sandringham line on each weekday between 29 March 2004 and 21 April 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Sandringham (for an 'up' service).
- (3) Have inbound passengers in the morning peak hour routinely been unable to board the next train at stations like Prahran as a result of such cancellations.

446 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train (or from 18 April 2004, Connex) services have been cancelled on the Dandenong, Pakenham and Cranbourne lines on each weekday between 29 March 2004 and 21 April 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Pakenham, Cranbourne or Dandenong (for an 'up' service).

447 **CONCRETE SLEEPERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What is the manufacturing cost of 160,000 broad gauge only concrete sleepers as used on the Bendigo upgrade.
- (2) What is the estimated manufacturing cost of 160,000 gauge convertible concrete sleepers.

448 **BIG HILL TUNNEL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What speed is presently allowed through the tunnel on the existing double track between Kyneton and Bendigo.
- (2) What would be the fastest safe speed for a 'V'locity' train through the tunnel if double track was retained in the exact position it is now and the track upgraded with concrete sleepers and 60 kg/m rail.
- (3) What is the predicted actual speed of trains through the tunnel once the upgrade is complete travelling —
 - (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.

- (4) If double track was retained through the tunnel and 'V'LOCITY' trains slowed (if necessary) to the maximum safe speed through the tunnel, what would be the delay in seconds solely due to the tunnel speed restriction for trains travelling —
- (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.

449 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What is the maximum speed a 'V'LOCITY' train running on the high standard track specified for the Bendigo upgrade can reach without its predicted kinematic envelope exceeding the actual kinematic envelope of a Sprinter running at 130 km/h on the existing track.
- (2) If double track was retained and upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) track under Conlans Road Bridge at Taradale, what would be the maximum speed under the bridge of a 'V'LOCITY' train that would be 'not less safe' than existing Sprinter trains passing under Conlans Road Bridge on the existing track at 130 km/h.
- (3) Between Elphinstone and Bendigo, what are the locations of the present 'up' track that will require removal in order to realign the existing 'down' track for higher speeds and, at each location, what speed will apply after the realignment, and what would be the maximum possible safe speed if double track was retained.
- (4) What time saving is achieved solely due to each section of realigned track between Elphinstone and Bendigo, and what is the total time saving between these locations due to realigned track.

450 **NARROW HERITAGE ROAD OVERBRIDGES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — with reference to the Bendigo Line Fast Rail Project 'Fact Sheet' (November 2003) and Regional Fast Rail Passenger Information Bulletin (February 2004), which both state that there are 28 narrow heritage road overbridges between Kyneton and Bendigo — what are the road names and locations of the seven narrow heritage road overbridges not shown in the Department of Infrastructure drawing No 214 11-004-01-043 which lists only the following 21 narrow heritage road overbridges — Harpers Lane, Flynn's Lane, Lasslett Street, Daylesford-Malmsbury Road, Boundary Road, Unnamed Road 105.737 km, Conlans Road, Railway Street (111.297 km), Railway Dam Road, Tunnel Hill Road, Railway Street (120.056 km), Eureka Street, Hitchcock Street, Ross Drive, Sawmill Road, Gaaschs Road, Old Calder Highway, Beilharz Road, Phillis Street, Hunter Street and Thistle Street.

451 **TRAIN LINE BETWEEN KYNETON AND BENDIGO** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) For each of the four sections of track to be singled between Kyneton and Bendigo, what proportion of the rail was manufactured prior to 1955.

- (2) If double track was retained between Kyneton and Bendigo with one track upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) as well as the planned upgrade between Sydenham and Kyneton, and trains slowed if necessary for heritage structures, what would be the expected running time for a 'V'LOCITY' train running express from Sydenham to Bendigo.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 53

Thursday 22 April 2004

This issue provides a numerical reference to questions remaining unanswered.

The full text of unanswered questions will be issued on a periodical basis during the session. The text was last issued in Questions on Notice No 50.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

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1	Tuesday 25 February 2003	Nos 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11.
3	Thursday 27 February 2003	Nos 34 and 36.
7	Tuesday 25 March 2003	No 77.
12	Tuesday 29 April 2003	Nos 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164 and 165.
16	Thursday 8 May 2003	No 183.
17	Tuesday 20 May 2003	Nos 186a and 186b.
21	Wednesday 4 June 2003	No 209.
23	Tuesday 26 August 2003	Nos 225, 230, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245 and 246.
24	Wednesday 27 August 2003	Nos 238aj, 238ao, 239aj, 239ao and 247.
26	Tuesday 16 September 2003	Nos 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 280, 281a, 281b, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 293, 295, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309,

		310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315a, 315b, 316, 317, 318a, 318b, 319a, 319b, 321, 322, 323 and 324.
28	Thursday 18 September 2003	No 328.
29	Tuesday 7 October 2003	Nos 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337 and 338.
30	Wednesday 8 October 2003	Nos 341 and 343.
32	Tuesday 14 October 2003	Nos 344 and 347.
33	Wednesday 15 October 2003	Nos 348, 349, 350 and 352.
34	Thursday 16 October 2003	No 354.
35	Tuesday 28 October 2003	Nos 355, 356, 357, 358a, 358b, 358c, 359a, 359b, 359c, 360b, 360c, 360e, 360i, 360j, 360k, 360l, 360n, 360p, 360ah, 360ai, 360aj, 360ak, 360am, 360an, 360ap, 361c, 361e, 361f, 361h, 361i, 361j, 361k, 361n, 361p, 361ac, 361ah, 361ai, 361aj, 361ak, 361am, 361ap, 362, 364, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370 and 371.
36	Wednesday 29 October 2003	No 372.
38	Wednesday 5 November 2003	Nos 373 and 375.
39	Thursday 6 November 2003	No 376.
40	Tuesday 18 November 2003	Nos 378, 379 and 380.
41	Wednesday 19 November 2003	Nos 381 and 382.
42	Thursday 20 November 2003	Nos 383, 384, 385, 386 and 387.
43	Tuesday 25 November 2003	Nos 388a, 388b, 389, 390, 391 and 392.
44	Thursday 27 November 2003	No 393.
45	Tuesday 2 March 2004	Nos 394, 395, 396, 397a, 397b, 398a, 398b, 399a, 399b, 399c, 400a, 400b, 401a, 401b, 402a, 402b, 403, 404, 405a, 405b, 406, 407a, 407b, 407c, 408, 409, 410a, 410b, 410c, 410d, 410e, 410f, 410g, 410h, 410i, 410j, 410k, 410l, 410m, 410n, 410o, 410p, 410q, 410r, 410s, 410t, 410u, 410v, 410w, 410x, 410y, 410z, 410aa, 410ab, 410ac, 410ad,

		410ac, 410af, 410ag, 410ah, 410ai, 410aj, 410ak, 410al, 410am, 410an, 410ao and 410ap.
46	Wednesday 3 March 2004	Nos 411a, 411b, 411c, 411d, 411e, 411f, 411g, 411h, 411i, 411j, 411k, 411l, 411m, 411n, 411o, 411p, 411q, 411r, 411s, 411t, 411u, 411v, 411w, 411x, 411y, 411z, 411aa, 411ab, 411ac, 411ad, 411ae, 411af, 411ag, 411ah, 411ai, 411aj, 411ak, 411al, 411am, 411an, 411ao, 411ap, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421 and 422.
48	Tuesday 30 March 2004	Nos 423, 424, 425a, 425b, 426, 427a, 427b, 427c, 428, 429, 430 and 431.
49	Wednesday 31 March 2004	Nos 432, 433, 434, 435, 436 and 437.
51	Tuesday 20 April 2004	Nos 438, 439 and 440.
52	Wednesday 21 April 2004	Nos 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450 and 451.

NEW QUESTION

452 **SANDRINGHAM TRAIN LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the frequency of train services on the Sandringham line —

- (1) What have been the number, and times, of train services disrupted or cancelled on weekdays between Sandringham and the city on a weekday basis between 1 March 2004 and 21 April 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What have been the reasons for such disruptions and cancellations.
- (3) By way of comparison, what has been the level of service reliability in percentage terms for services on the Sandringham line for the months of March 2003, March 2002 and March 2001.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 54

Tuesday 4 May 2004

- 453 **BUILDING APPROVAL FIGURES IN BAYSIDE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Planning — what have been the number of single dwelling approvals, dual occupancy approvals and multi-unit development approvals respectively on an annual basis for the City of Bayside for the period 1995–2004 to date.
- 454 **ADVERTISING EXPENDITURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — what was the total amount of expenditure across the whole of the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development for advertising promotions in 2002–2003.
- 455 **VICURBAN HOUSING ACCESS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what measures have been or will be put into place to ensure future housing developments by VicUrban are more accessible, for both entry and inside the dwelling, for people with a disability.
- 456 **VICURBAN GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL AUCTION** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what was the total amount of funds raised from the VicUrban house and land package auction for the Royal Children’s Hospital’s Good Friday Appeal in each of 2003 and 2004 for the —
- (1) Property in Lynbrook estate.
 - (2) Property in Cairnlea estate.
- 457 **MAJOR PROJECTS TENDER PROCESS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the Docklands Film and Television Studio Complex Project and the document ‘Docklands Studio Development — selection of preferred tenderer following request for tender submissions from short listed tenderers’, Section 2 ‘Receipt, storage and handling of tenders’ —
- (1) Were all tenders transferred from the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development to Major Projects Victoria for storage and evaluation; if not, why.
 - (2) Were all tenders kept in a locked room at Major Projects Victoria at all times unless they were being assessed; if so, what was the room and what type of lock was on the door for that room; if not, where were the tenders kept and what was the type of security/locking mechanism.
 - (3) Was a register of all people accessing the tenders maintained.

- (4) Who maintained the register.
- (5) How many times, on what dates, and by whom were the tenders accessed.
- (6) If a register was not maintained, or was only partially maintained, why was this so.
- (7) Who was the 'authorised person' supervising copying of tenders.
- (8) Was a 'tender movement control register' maintained.
- (9) How many copies of the tenders were made, on what dates and by whom.
- (10) What were the reasons given in all cases for making copies.
- (11) Was each copy numbered and initialised as required.
- (12) Who was the representative from Major Projects Victoria who maintained the 'movement control register'.
- (13) If the 'movement control register' was not established, why was this so.
- (14) If the 'movement control register' was not maintained in full, why was this so.

458 **SUBURBAN TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to train cancellations —

- (1) How many cancellations occurred on each line operated by Connex between 18 April and 24 April 2004 inclusive, and 25 April and 1 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What was the cause of each cancellation, by line.
- (3) How many of the cancellations on each line occurred for services scheduled to leave the originating station on —
 - (a) weekdays between 6.00 am and 9.00 am;
 - (b) weekdays between 3.30 pm and 7.00 pm;
 - (c) Saturday;
 - (d) Sunday.

459 **PUBLISHING TRAIN PUNCTUALITY STATISTICS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will Connex commence publicly reporting its punctuality and reliability statistics on a line-by-line basis rather than on a system-wide basis.

- 460 **YARRA TRAMS PUNCTUALITY AND RELIABILITY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) Are there any plans for Yarra Trams to report its punctuality and reliability statistics on a line-by-line basis similar to the practice of the now defunct M>Train; if so, from what month will this occur.
 - (2) What was the punctuality and reliability percentage performance for each tram route between 18 April and 30 April 2004.
- 461 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND RAILWAY BOOM GATES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many malfunctions of traffic lights installed in conjunction with railway boom barriers/flashing lights occurred between 1 March and 4 May 2004.
 - (2) What was the longest delay applying between reporting to the VicRoads call centre, VicTrack switchboard, M>Train or Connex, and the traffic lights and boom barriers returning to normal operation.
 - (3) At how many locations are combined traffic light and railway boom barriers or flashing lights installed —
 - (a) in metropolitan Melbourne;
 - (b) more than 60 kilometres from the GPO.
- 462 **WIDE ROPE BARRIERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many new installations of wire rope barriers along freeways or other roads have occurred in 2003–2004.
 - (2) What was the location and cost of each installation.
- 463 **SOUTHERN AND EASTERN INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AUTHORITY STAFF** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport
- (1) How many staff employed at the Authority were employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.

- (2) What is the expected total for remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority in —
 - (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2004–2005.
- (3) How much has been expended in remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority to 4 May 2004.
- (4) During 2004–2005 what number of staff will be employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.

464 **KPMG CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many consultancies have been awarded to KPMG in 2003 and 2004 and, in respect of each, what was the nature, scope and cost.

465 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

466 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ and the injured person was a member of staff in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

467 **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many emergency notifications were sent by Emergency and Security Management where the type of incident included the word ‘assault’ in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 to each of —

- (1) Barwon South Western Region.
- (2) Central Highlands Wimmera Region.
- (3) Gippsland Region.
- (4) Goulburn North Eastern Region.
- (5) Loddon Campaspe Mallee Region.
- (6) Eastern Metropolitan Region.

- (7) Northern Metropolitan Region.
- (8) Southern Metropolitan Region.
- (9) Western Metropolitan Region.

468 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — which schools received capital upgrades in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 and what are the details of each capital upgrade.

469 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services —

- (1) How many, and which, schools campuses received capital upgrades in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- (2) What are the details of every capital upgrade.

470 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the Minister's statement in the adjournment debate on 20 April 2004 that capital upgrades reduce the cost of maintenance — how many new buildings are replacing severely ageing buildings (Physical Resources Management System (PRMS) rating 1–3).

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 55

Wednesday 5 May 2004

- 471 **FREQUENCY OF TRAINS ON SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — is the 20 minute frequency of rail services on the Sandringham line on Sunday evening still under review by Connex, in line with previously published M>Train timetables.
- 472 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) When are speed restrictions, slowing passenger trains between Sale and Bairnsdale, expected to be lifted.
 - (2) What is the current line speed for passenger trains between Traralgon and Sale.
 - (3) Do any railway bridges between Traralgon and Sale require replacement or urgent remedial work; if so —
 - (a) what is the likely cost for each location;
 - (b) when will the works be undertaken;
 - (c) what speed limits currently apply for passenger or freight trains at each location.
- 473 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) Apart from the bridge works previously publicised in the Leongatha area, have any contracts been entered into for works to reinstate regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains between —
 - (a) Ballarat, Maryborough and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
 - (2) If so —
 - (a) what was each contract for;
 - (b) with whom was it entered into;
 - (c) what amount was it for;
 - (d) when does each contract conclude.

- (3) When will regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains again run between —
- (a) Ballarat and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
- 474 **GAUGE STANDARDISATION PROJECT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how much would the project announced in 2001 at a cost of \$96 million, and subsequently deferred, cost in May 2004.
- 475 **IMPROVED ROAD SHOULDERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many kilometres of rural Victorian roads will receive improved shoulders in —
 - (a) 2004–2005;
 - (b) 2005–2006.
 - (2) What is the road name, locality and length in kilometres or hundreds of metres for each proposed improvement.
- 476 **V/LINE CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many claims for compensation has V/Line Passenger Pty Ltd, V/Line Passenger Corporation, VicTrip or the Department of Infrastructure received for V/Line's failure to meet punctuality targets in March 2004 on each corridor where this occurred.
 - (2) How much has been paid in compensation for claims made in March 2004 on each corridor.
- 477 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 55 — what are the names of each of the primary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.
- 478 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 — what are the names of each of the secondary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.
- 479 **YEARS 5–9 STUDENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the output described as 'Years 5–9 students opinion of their connectedness with school' in *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 —
- (1) What was the methodology for collecting this data.

- (2) What is it intended to measure.
- (3) What is the Department of Education and Training's interpretation of the result.
- (4) Are there any comparative measures or studies in other jurisdictions; if so —
 - (a) what are they;
 - (b) how does Victoria compare.

480 **YEARS 5–9 STUDENTS MEASURES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the outputs in *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 — what is the explanation for the difference between 'Years 5–9 students opinion of their connectedness with school' and the next measure, 'Years 5–9 students opinion of their motivation to learn'.

481 **NEW LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the measures in *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 — what were the 'new leadership programs' accessed by the eight additional principals last year.

482 **ESL IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the measure 'eligible students in regular schools receiving English as a Second Language (ESL) support in primary schools' —

482a Minister for Education Services

482b Minister for Education and Training

What is the reason almost nine per cent of eligible students miss out on ESL support.

483 **KOORI EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the 15 Koori educators employed —

482a Minister for Education Services

482b Minister for Education and Training

(1) Where are they employed.

(2) What are their duties.

484 **HOME LIAISON EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the six home liaison officers employed —

484a Minister for Education Services

484b Minister for Education and Training

(1) Where are they employed.

(2) What are their duties.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 56

Thursday 6 May 2004

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 57

Tuesday 11 May 2004

485 **CLEANING OF TRAIN STATIONS AND TRACKS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the high volume of litter, including bottles, food containers, plastic and other general rubbish, on the train tracks near Patterson station in early May —

- (1) When was this precinct last cleaned.
- (2) What is the frequency of programmed cleaning of both the station and the tracks.
- (3) What steps are being taken to improve the cleaning of railway land and to minimise littering.

486 **STATE DISABILITY PLAN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to page 47 of the State Disability Plan 2002–2012 which refers to the commitment of the Government to undertake a yearly review of the priority strategies and to publish reports that show the Government's progress —

- (1) Has the yearly review been completed; if so, what was the date of completion of the review and what were its findings.
- (2) Have the reports which show the Government's progress been completed; if so, what were the dates of completion of the reports and what were their findings.

487 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE COMPENSATION** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

487a Minister for Education and Training

487b Minister for Education Services

487c Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

- (1) Has the Government agreed to compensate the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people for allowing the Somerville Secondary College Campus to be built; if so, what form will this compensation take.
- (2) What agreement exists between any, and which, representatives of the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people.
- (3) What payments have been made to any, and which, of these representatives.
- (4) What changes to the school design will be made as a result of any such compensation agreements.

488 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

488a Minister for Education and Training

488b Minister for Education Services

- (1) Is it anticipated that the school will open with all portable/transportable classrooms.
- (2) Will there be a school oval.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 58

Wednesday 12 May 2004

489 TRAIN CANCELLATIONS BETWEEN CHELTENHAM AND CAULFIELD —
Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services scheduled to run express between Cheltenham and Caulfield, or Caulfield and Cheltenham, have been cancelled on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service timetabled to depart either Cheltenham (for an 'up' service) or Caulfield (for a 'down' service).
- (3) Have some 'stopping all stations' services on the Frankston line exceeded 800 passengers on board at any one station as a result of these cancellations.

490 TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Sandringham line on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Sandringham (for an 'up' service).
- (3) Have passengers in the morning peak hour routinely been unable to board the next train at stations like Prahran as a result of these cancellations.

491 TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON DANDENONG, PAKENHAM AND CRANBOURNE LINES — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Dandenong, Pakenham and Cranbourne lines on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart Flinders Street or Dandenong (for a 'down' service) or Pakenham, Cranbourne or Dandenong (for an 'up' service).

- 492 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training — since 1 May 2004, has the Department of Education and Training's Gippsland Regional Director or any, and which, other officer met the School Council of Traralgon South Primary School to discuss the upgrade of their classrooms to permanent structures; if so, what are the results of those discussions.
- 493 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL'S 'SCHOOLYARD BLITZ'** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — will Traralgon South Primary School receive funds under the 'Schoolyard Blitz' program; if not, why.

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NEW QUESTION

494 **BOAT LAUNCHING RAMPS ON PORT PHILLIP BAY** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the siltation around a number of boat launching ramps on Port Phillip Bay —

- (1) Which level of Government is responsible for dredging sand around boat launching ramps.
- (2) Which level of Government is responsible for the area to the low water mark.

- (3) Which level of Government is responsible for the area between the low water mark and the high water mark.
- (4) What arrangements are in place to dredge or remove the sand around the Black Rock launching ramp at Half Moon Bay and what is the time frame for such works to be undertaken.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 60

Tuesday 25 May 2004

495 **BIRRALEE PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the growth in student numbers at the school in the last five years under the leadership of its principal, Ashley Ryan —

- (1) Is the school under entitlement in any, and which, areas.
- (2) Is the school under entitlement for the —
 - (a) administration area;
 - (b) sick bay;
 - (c) staff areas.
- (3) If the school is under any entitlement, what plans does the Government have for providing funding to the school to do the necessary works.
- (4) What is the Government's response to school's request for a staff administration upgrade as part of the minor capital works program in the current financial year.

496 **MELBOURNE WHOLESALE MARKET** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to the redevelopment and relocation of the market —

- (1) On what day will a decision be made relating to the new site for the market.
- (2) Has a business case study on remaining on the existing site been undertaken, and —
 - (a) if so, what are the results;
 - (b) if not, why.
- (3) Can the Minister guarantee that no wholesaler currently operating at the market will be worse off from the relocation.

497 **SANDRINGHAM RAILWAY LINE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to train cancellations and delays on the Sandringham line —

- (1) How many cancellations occurred on this line operated by Connex from 1 May 2004.
- (2) What was the cause of each cancellation.

- (3) How many of the cancellations occurred for services scheduled to leave the originating station on —
- (a) weekdays between 6.00 am and 9.00 am;
 - (b) weekdays between 3.30 pm and 7.00 pm.
- (4) What is the percentage of train services delayed on this line from 1 May 2004.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 61

Wednesday 26 May 2004

498 **TAFE FEES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to Mark Latham's promise to abolish Tertiary and Further Education (TAFE) fees for secondary school students and his statement on the ABC *7:30 Report* on 12 May 2004 that Jenny Macklin has received the approval of the states and territories for this proposal —

498a Minister for Education and Training

498b Minister for Education Services

- (1) Has Jenny Macklin spoken to the Minister about this proposal.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) when were these discussions undertaken;
 - (b) when was the abolition of any TAFE fees first discussed;
 - (c) how many/what proportion of school students actually pay TAFE fees;
 - (d) what fees are proposed to be paid by —
 - (i) students doing Vocational Education and Training (VET) in schools;
 - (ii) students doing a year 12 equivalent;
 - (e) will the Government pick up the cost of the TAFE fees or will the student be required to pay, if a student drops out of secondary school;
 - (f) will the Government abolish fees for school-based new apprentices;
 - (g) does a student who starts a school-based new apprenticeship in year 12, and the fee is abolished, have to pay TAFE fees in the second year;
 - (h) will the proposal also cover early enrolment in TAFE degrees, worth up to \$12,000 a place;
 - (i) what will be the impact on State revenue;
 - (j) how much compensation will the State receive for each TAFE fee abolished.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 62

Thursday 27 May 2004

This issue provides a numerical reference to questions remaining unanswered.

The full text of unanswered questions will be issued on a periodical basis during the session. The text was last issued in Questions on Notice No 50.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

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16	Thursday 8 May 2003	No 183.
17	Tuesday 20 May 2003	Nos 186a and 186b.
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23	Tuesday 26 August 2003	Nos 225, 230, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245 and 246.
24	Wednesday 27 August 2003	Nos 238aj, 238ao, 239aj, 239ao and 247.
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28	Thursday 18 September 2003	No 328.
29	Tuesday 7 October 2003	Nos 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337 and 338.
30	Wednesday 8 October 2003	Nos 341 and 343.
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33	Wednesday 15 October 2003	Nos 348, 349, 350 and 352.
34	Thursday 16 October 2003	No 354.
35	Tuesday 28 October 2003	Nos 355, 356, 357, 358a, 358b, 358c, 359a, 359b, 359c, 360b, 360c, 360e, 360i, 360j, 360k, 360l, 360n, 360p, 360ah, 360ai, 360aj, 360ak, 360am, 360an, 360ap, 361c, 361e, 361f, 361h, 361i, 361j, 361k, 361n, 361p, 361ac, 361ah, 361ai, 361aj, 361ak, 361am, 361ap, 362, 364, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370 and 371.
36	Wednesday 29 October 2003	No 372.
38	Wednesday 5 November 2003	Nos 373 and 375.
39	Thursday 6 November 2003	No 376.
40	Tuesday 18 November 2003	Nos 378, 379 and 380.
41	Wednesday 19 November 2003	Nos 381 and 382.
42	Thursday 20 November 2003	Nos 383, 384, 385, 386 and 387.
43	Tuesday 25 November 2003	Nos 388a, 388b, 389, 390, 391 and 392.
44	Thursday 27 November 2003	No 393.
45	Tuesday 2 March 2004	Nos 394, 395, 396, 397a, 397b, 398a, 398b, 399a, 399b, 399c, 400a, 400b, 401a, 401b, 402a, 402b, 403, 404, 405a, 405b, 406, 407a, 407b, 407c, 408, 409, 410a, 410b, 410c, 410d, 410e, 410f, 410g, 410h, 410i, 410j, 410k, 410l, 410m, 410n, 410o, 410p, 410q, 410r, 410s, 410t, 410u, 410v, 410w, 410x, 410y, 410z, 410aa, 410ab, 410ac, 410ad, 410ac, 410af, 410ag, 410ah, 410ai, 410aj,

		410ak, 410al, 410am, 410an, 410ao and 410ap.
46	Wednesday 3 March 2004	Nos 411a, 411b, 411c, 411d, 411e, 411f, 411g, 411h, 411i, 411j, 411k, 411l, 411m, 411n, 411o, 411p, 411q, 411r, 411s, 411t, 411u, 411v, 411w, 411x, 411y, 411z, 411aa, 411ab, 411ac, 411ad, 411ae, 411af, 411ag, 411ah, 411ai, 411aj, 411ak, 411al, 411am, 411an, 411ao, 411ap, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421 and 422.
48	Tuesday 30 March 2004	Nos 423, 424, 425a, 425b, 426, 427a, 427b, 427c, 428, 429, 430 and 431.
49	Wednesday 31 March 2004	Nos 432, 433, 434, 435, 436 and 437.
51	Tuesday 20 April 2004	Nos 438, 439 and 440.
52	Wednesday 21 April 2004	Nos 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450 and 451.
53	Thursday 22 April 2004	No 452.
54	Tuesday 4 May 2004	Nos 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469 and 470.
55	Wednesday 5 May 2004	Nos 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482a, 482b, 483a, 483b, 484a and 484b.
57	Tuesday 11 May 2004	Nos 485, 486, 487a, 487b, 487c, 488a and 488b.
58	Wednesday 12 May 2004	Nos 489, 490, 491, 492 and 493.
59	Thursday 13 May 2004	No 494.
60	Tuesday 25 May 2004	Nos 495, 496 and 497.
61	Wednesday 26 May 2004	Nos 498a and 498b.

NEW QUESTIONS

499 **FAULTY TRAM TICKET VALIDATORS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Were OneLink tram ticket validators with serial numbers 034-03300 and 034-02035 displaying 'Invalid' when commuters inserted their tram tickets on a Port Melbourne

bound route 109 service that passed Parliament House at about 8.20 am on 27 May 2004.

- (2) Were the same validators displaying a green indication at their top at the same time as showing 'Invalid' when tickets were inserted.
- (3) Are such instances of validators not functioning for this reason reported in *Track Record* each quarter.
- (4) How many instances of this type of fault occurred —
 - (a) between January and March 2004;
 - (b) in April 2004;
 - (c) in May 2004 to date.

500 **TRAM TICKET VALIDATORS AND VENDING MACHINES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many instances of 'Wrong Zone' readings when valid Zone 1 tram tickets were inserted into onboard tram validators while the tram was travelling within Zone 1 were there on each of route 109, route 75 and route 86 in each of —
 - (a) January to March 2004;
 - (b) April 2004;
 - (c) May 2004 to date.
- (2) How many instances of 'Wrong Zone' readings when valid Zone 2 tram tickets were inserted into onboard tram validators while the tram was travelling within Zone 2 were there on each of route 109, route 75 and route 86 in each of —
 - (a) January to March 2004;
 - (b) April 2004;
 - (c) May 2004 to date.
- (3) Does such a fault require OneLink technicians to attend the tram to correct the fault or can the OneLink validators be reset by the tram driver.
- (4) Is any time specified in the OneLink or Yarra Trams contracts within which a technician must attend to reported faults affecting onboard tram ticket vending machines or onboard tram validators, where the tram is in revenue service when the fault is reported.

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- (5) How many faults with OneLink onboard tram ticket vending machines have occurred in —
- (a) April 2004;
 - (b) May 2004 to date.
- (6) How many faults with OneLink onboard tram validators have occurred in —
- (a) April 2004;
 - (b) May 2004 to date.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 63

Tuesday 1 June 2004

501 TRAIN CANCELLATIONS BETWEEN CHELTENHAM AND CAULFIELD —
Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services scheduled to run express between Cheltenham and Caulfield, or Caulfield and Cheltenham, have been cancelled on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service timetabled to depart either Cheltenham (for an 'up' service) or Caulfield (for a 'down' service).
- (3) Have some 'stopping all stations' services on the Frankston line exceeded 800 passengers on board at any one station as a result of these cancellations.

502 TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Sandringham line on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Sandringham (for an 'up' service).
- (3) Have passengers in the morning peak hour routinely been unable to board the next train at stations like Prahran as a result of these cancellations.

503 TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON DANDENONG, PAKENHAM AND CRANBOURNE LINES — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Dandenong, Pakenham and Cranbourne lines on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart Flinders Street or Dandenong (for a 'down' service) or Pakenham, Cranbourne or Dandenong (for an 'up' service).

- 504 **TRAVELLING WITHOUT A VALID TICKET ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What percentage of journeys are estimated to have been made without a valid ticket between 18 April 2004 and 1 June 2004 on each of —
 - (a) Connex;
 - (b) Yarra Trams;
 - (c) V/Line;
 - (d) Melbourne's private bus operators.
 - (2) What amount of revenue has been lost for each of the four modes or operators as a result.
- 505 **FARE PAYING STUDENTS ON SCHOOL BUSES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Education Services —
- (1) How many students were approved to travel as fare paying passengers on school buses in Victoria in 2003.
 - (2) How much revenue was collected from the students.
 - (3) Which government department was the beneficiary of the revenue raised.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 64

Thursday 3 June 2004

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 FEBRUARY 2003

- 4 **ENTERPRISE BARGAINING AGREEMENT — UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION —** Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the agreement signed with the Country Fire Authority (CFA) and the Metropolitan Fire Emergency Services Board (MFESB) —
- (1) What is the total additional financial impact of the agreement on the budget of each of the CFA and the MFESB, in dollar and percentage terms, for the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
 - (2) What is the direct additional budgetary contribution of the State Government, in dollar and percentage terms, towards such increased expenditures in each of the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
- 5 **VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VEHICLE FLEET —** Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002.
- 8 **COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY VEHICLE FLEET —** Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002 —
- How many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria.
- (1) How many tankers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (2) What was the average age (years of service) of the tankers deployed.
 - (3) How many pumpers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (4) What was the average age (years of service) of pumpers deployed.
- 9 **ACTIVE COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY PERSONNEL —** Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002, what was the number of active Country Fire Authority —

- (1) Volunteers.
 - (2) Career firefighters.
- 10 **ACTIVE VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many active volunteers were there as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002.
- 11 **EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISE (CORE)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Corrections, as at 31 December 1999, 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002, what was —
- (1) The total number of effective full-time employees.
 - (2) The actual cost of employee remuneration and entitlements.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 FEBRUARY 2003

- 34 **STAFF NUMBERS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Innovation —
- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff, part-time staff and casual staff are employed in the Private Office of the Minister, as at 25 February 2003.
 - (2) How many full-time equivalent staff, part-time staff and casual staff are employed in the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development, as at 25 February 2003.
- 36 **GOVERNMENT'S DIGITAL MEDIA FUND** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —
- (1) What amount has MediaNet received from the fund.
 - (2) On what date did MediaNet receive this amount.

QUESTION ASKED ON 25 MARCH 2003

- 77 **MITCHAM/FRANKSTON FREEWAY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How much has already been expended on land acquisition for the Freeway.
 - (2) How much of this funding came from —
 - (a) VicRoads;

- (b) the Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) the Commonwealth Government; and
 - (d) other sources.
- (3) With reference to the acquisition of parcels of land over 100 square metres —
- (a) how many remain to be acquired for the Freeway;
 - (b) which suburb is each parcel of land located in;
 - (c) what is the size of each parcel;
 - (d) what are the nearest cross streets or other identifiers;
 - (e) what is the total estimated cost of the remaining land acquisitions; and
 - (f) what is the proposed timetable for each of the land acquisitions yet to be completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 29 APRIL 2003

- 147 **BUSINESS INNOVATION WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Business Innovation Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$240,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 148 **EXPORT VALUE CHAIN NETWORKS AND CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Value Chain Networks and Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —

- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

149 **FINANCE FOR GROWTH** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Finance for Growth funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$60,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

150 **FIRST STEP EXPORT PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the First Step Export Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

151 **GLOBAL PURCHASING STRATEGY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Global Purchasing Strategy funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —

- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

152 **GOING GLOBAL** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Going Global funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

153 **HIGH PERFORMANCE MANUFACTURING CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the High Performance Manufacturing Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$190,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

154 **INDUSTRY CAPABILITY MISSIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Industry Capability Missions funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$930,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —

- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

155 **INNOVATION INSIGHTS VISITS PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Innovation Insights Visits Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

156 **KEYNOTE CONFERENCE AND SEMINARS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to keynote conference and seminars funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

157 **NEW TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to new technology demonstrations funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$310,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.

- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

158 **PARTNERS AT WORK (HIGH PERFORMANCE WORKPLACES)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Partners at Work (High Performance Workplaces) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$900,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

159 **PROMOTING THE IMAGE OF MANUFACTURING AND MANUFACTURING HALL OF FAME** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to promoting the Image of Manufacturing and Manufacturing Hall of Fame funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$500,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 160 **STRATEGIC AUDIT OF VICTORIAN INDUSTRY PLANS IMPLEMENTATION (PARTNERS AT WORK)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Strategic Audit of Victorian Industry Plans implementation (Partners at Work) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$1,600,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 161 **SCHOLARSHIPS IN AREAS OF FUTURE SKILLS NEEDS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Scholarships in Areas of Future Skills Needs funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 162 **TECHNOLOGY EVALUATION PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Evaluation Projects funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and

- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

163 **TECHNOLOGY ROADMAP AND SKILLS STUDIES** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Roadmap and Skills Studies funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

164 **VALUE CHAIN WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Value Chain Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$160,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

165 **EXPORT COMMUNICATION NETWORK** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Communication Network funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$410,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;

- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

QUESTION ASKED ON 8 MAY 2003

- 183 **INQUIRY INTO PAST ADOPTION PRACTICES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Community Services — when does the Government propose to honour its 1999 election commitment to hold a Parliamentary inquiry into past adoption practices, particularly in the period after the second world war until the proclamation of the *Adoption Act 1984*.

QUESTION ASKED ON 20 MAY 2003

- 186 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) CABINET SUBCOMMITTEE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

186a Premier

186b Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

With reference to the Minister for Information and Communication Technology's announcement of 6 May 2003 of a new Government ICT strategy subcommittee of Cabinet to be chaired by the Premier, in recognition of the strategic importance of ICT —

- (1) Who is on the subcommittee.
- (2) Who will service and/or advise the subcommittee.
- (3) What are the duties of the subcommittee.

QUESTION ASKED ON 4 JUNE 2003

- 209 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the breakdown of the \$660 million that the Government has committed to ICT, as stated in the media release of 17 October 2002 entitled *Victoria's Information Technology Report*, including details of each component of the \$660 million and individual expenditure items within each component.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 26 AUGUST 2003

- 225 **BOX HILL TRAM VALIDATORS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Was the OneLink tram validator, serial number 034-03233, not validating Zone Two tickets inserted into it at Box Hill tram terminus on Saturday 5 July 2003.
- (2) Is this a common problem with the Box Hill extension of tram route 109.
- (3) What proportion of on-board tram validators incorrectly accept a Zone One only ticket that a passenger attempts to validate at Box Hill tram terminus.
- (4) Have any complaints been received by the Department of Infrastructure or Yarra Trams regarding the incorrect working of tram validators on the Box Hill extension; if so, how many and on what dates.
- (5) What action is OneLink, Yarra Trams or the Director of Public Transport taking to ensure that route 109 validators work correctly for the Zone One and Zone Two sections of the route.

- 230 **MAINTENANCE FOR POINT NEPEAN DEFENCE LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for the Environment — from where will the promised \$10-\$15 million maintenance funding for the land be sourced.
- 240 **CeBIT AMERICA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — how much funding was provided to each of the five Victorian companies that attended CeBIT America, an information technology trade fair, in New York this year.
- 241 **E-COMMERCE ROADSHOWS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to e-commerce roadshows —
- (1) How many have taken place between 1 June 2002 and 26 August 2003.
 - (2) What was the location and date of each.
 - (3) What was the cost of each.
- 243 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SYNCHROTRON** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Innovation — has the Government sought financial assistance or support from the Commonwealth Government in relation to the construction of the Synchrotron or for beamline funding; if so, when was this request made.
- 244 **GROWING TOMORROW'S INDUSTRIES TODAY STATEMENT** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to the statement and the targets for information and communication technologies — which companies contributed to the 800 new jobs created in Victoria last year and what was the number each contributed.

245 **MULTIMEDIA VICTORIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

- (1) What is the total number of full-time equivalent staff within Multimedia Victoria as at 26 August 2003.
- (2) How will Multimedia Victoria —
 - (a) improve the operation of business and government;
 - (b) increase the use of information and communication technologies by Victorians;
 - (c) reduce the inequity in the use of information and communication technologies across Victoria; and
 - (d) grow the information industries sector.

246 **TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM FUNDING** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the total amount of funding provided by the Government since 2000, the name of each recipient and the amount received by each recipient under the —

- (1) Customer Access Network Demonstration Program.
- (2) E-Commerce Exhibition Projects Program.
- (3) E-gaps funding.
- (4) Skills.net funding.
- (5) Next Wave Program.
- (6) My Connected Community program.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 AUGUST 2003

¹238 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

238aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

239ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.

¹ Question published in substitution of No 238 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

²239 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

239aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

239ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 July 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

247 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for WorkCover —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001, with the exception of the Transport Accident Commission and the Victorian WorkCover Authority where the commencement date should be from 1 July 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2003

253 **TRAM ACCIDENT AT RICHMOND NORTH** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the accident involving trams and a bus at the intersection of Hoddle and Victoria Streets, Richmond North on 2 September 2003 at 8.15 am —

- (1) Have either of Yarra Trams' Citadis trams involved in the accident been written off; if so —
- (a) will these vehicle(s) be replaced with further new Citadis trams;
- (b) at what cost to the Government; and
- If not, what is the estimated cost of repairs to each tram.
- (2) Has the National Bus Company bus involved in the accident been written off; if so —
- (a) will this vehicle be replaced;

² Question published in substitution of No 239 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

(b) at what cost to the Government; and

If not, what is the estimated cost of repairs to the bus.

- (3) How many seconds does a bus turning from south to west at this intersection typically have on its applicable traffic signal phase to proceed through the intersection.
- (4) What is the number of seconds that each 'B' or 'T' signal phase for buses or trams in each direction operates for at this location.
- (5) How many motor vehicles pass through this intersection on each of a typical weekday, Saturday and Sunday, not during school holidays, travelling —
- (a) eastbound;
- (b) westbound;
- (c) northbound; and
- (d) southbound.
- (6) What is the estimated rate of annual growth in motor vehicle traffic through this intersection for travel —
- (a) eastbound;
- (b) westbound;
- (c) northbound; and
- (d) southbound.
- (7) Is it feasible for public transport turning phases to operate slightly longer, or for there to be a slightly longer gap between the ending of a motor vehicle phase and the commencement of a public transport vehicle phase, at the traffic signals at this location.
- (8) Is any action being taken to minimise accidents at this location; if so —
- (a) what is the cost of any works;
- (b) when are any works scheduled to commence and be completed; and
- (c) which stakeholders have been, or will be, consulted on any such works.
- (9) Will the Minister or the Department of Infrastructure receive a copy of any reports into this accident compiled by National Express, Yarra Trams or the Victoria Police; if so, when.
- (10) Will any costs of repairs to the trams or bus involved be met by the franchisees/operators or will there be a cost to the Government; if so, what is the cost.

254 NORTHERN LOOP BROKEN RAIL — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Was there a broken rail between Flinders Street and Parliament railway stations in the Northern Loop on 2 September 2003; if so, how, and at what time, was this fault discovered.
- (2) How many Northern Group services operated direct from Flinders Street rather than via the City Loop on this afternoon.
- (3) What were the times and destinations of the first and last trains affected by this forced diversion.
- (4) How long did the Passenger Information Display Screen (PIDS) monitors take to display a message 'Take trams to Flinders Street' or similar at Parliament, Melbourne Central and Flagstaff railway stations after this diversion commenced.
- (5) Why were the PIDS screens still displaying incorrect information at 17:00 hours.
- (6) Is each entrance to underground loop stations equipped with whiteboards and texta colours.
- (7) Why were no whiteboards advising of this change to services displayed at the Lonsdale Street entrance to Parliament station at 17:00 hours.
- (8) Can the public address system be improved so that announcements in these circumstances can be clearly heard by passengers entering the underground stations but who have not yet passed through ticket barriers.
- (9) What would be the cost of any such works to improve the public address system at each of the three underground stations.

255 CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE IN LANGUAGES — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of three centres of excellence in languages —

- (1) Where will the centres be established.
- (2) When will the centres be established.
- (3) Who will have access to these facilities.
- (4) Who will not have access to these facilities.
- (5) What will be the eligibility criteria.
- (6) What will be the indicators of success.
- (7) What will be the languages taught at each centre.
- (8) Against what criteria will the languages be selected.

- (9) What programs and facilities will these centres offer.
- (10) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 256 **VICTORIAN SCHOOLS OF LANGUAGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of an additional five Victorian schools of languages —
- (1) What new programs or resources will these schools provide compared with the existing School of Languages.
- (2) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 257 **ACCESS TO EXCELLENCE PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What is the working definition of 'excellence' for the purpose of the program.
- (2) What are the factors inhibiting teenagers' engagement at school which the program will address and how will the program address these problems.
- (3) What methods will be used to gauge the effectiveness of the program on teenage engagement.
- (4) What criteria defines an approach as 'locally relevant' and who will undertake this assessment and make the determination.
- (5) What criteria will be applied to determine if an approach is 'innovative'.
- (6) Which programs have been deemed not to be 'innovative'.
- (7) Which schools classify as schools in need of 'assistance to achieve outcomes' for the purposes of the program.
- (8) Who in the Department of Education and Training makes these determinations.
- (9) What are the criteria used to determine these decisions.
- (10) What outcomes will the program help these schools achieve.
- (11) What methods will be used to measure performance.
- (12) What will be the ratio of teachers to students within the program.
- (13) How many additional hours of contact on a per student basis does the program anticipate per year.

- (14) What method or methods will be used to measure the effectiveness in the schools involved in this project of the 300 additional teachers in the system with reference to their impact on —
- (a) absentecism;
 - (b) literacy levels;
 - (c) numeracy levels;
 - (d) retention rates; and
 - (e) post-school transition.
- 258 **INTERNET COSTS IN NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the allocation of \$8 million towards internet costs in non-government schools connected to the VicOne network — has any of the money been spent; if so, what are the details; if not, how will the money be allocated.
- 259 **CLASS ROOM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the \$14 million already spent on the relocatable class room upgrade program — what precise works was the \$14 million allocation spent on.
- 260 **SCHOOL INTRUDER LAWS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the announcement by the New South Wales Government of new school intruder laws that will 'see people who enter schools and intimidate teachers and pupils face five new offences and a sentence of up to 12 years imprisonment' —
- (1) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers in total were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (2) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers by intruders or visitors on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (3) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers by students on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (4) How many incidences of assault of teachers in total were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (5) How many incidences of assault of teachers by students on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
- 261 **SCHOOLS TV PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 83 received on 26 August 2003 — how many hours of programming were transmitted via each of satellite, broadband and other internet in 2002 and 2003 respectively.

- 262 **SCHOOLS TV PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 83 received on 26 August 2003 — how many hours of videoconferenced classes were transmitted in 2002 and 2003 respectively.
- 263 **SCHOOLS TV PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 83 received on 26 August 2003 — what were the results of the last regular evaluation of the performance and effectiveness of Schools' Television.
- 264 **SCHOOL MAINTENANCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 84 received on 26 August 2003 — what are the priority zero items in the 2000 audit which have not been funded.
- 265 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) When did the review commence.
 - (2) What are the time-lines for such a review.
 - (3) Who will conduct the review.
 - (4) What documents have been produced by those conducting the review and are any of these public documents.
 - (5) What documents have been prepared for those conducting the review and are any of these public documents.
- 266 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 — what reports does the Minister have on the cost-benefit analysis of installing sprinklers in —
- (1) Existing schools.
 - (2) New schools.
 - (3) Portables.
- 267 **ALBERT PARK, BAYSIDE, COPPERFIELD, CRAIGIEBURN, EPPING, FERNTREE, HEATHERHILL, LALOR NORTH, RESERVOIR DISTRICT AND SOUTH OAKLEIGH SECONDARY COLLEGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 108a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the precise protocols for public release of data referred to, when were they last reviewed and by whom.

- 268 **UNQUALIFIED MATHEMATICS TEACHERS IN STATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 110b received on 26 August 2003 — does the Minister or the Department have any knowledge or data on how many people teaching mathematics in Victorian secondary schools have no tertiary qualifications in mathematics; if yes, what is that knowledge or data; if no, why has no attempt been made to ascertain the situation.
- 269 **UNTRAINED MATHEMATICS TEACHERS IN STATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 110b received on 26 August 2003 — does the Minister or the Department have any knowledge or data on how many people teaching mathematics in Victorian secondary schools have no training in the teaching of mathematics; if yes, what is that knowledge or data; if no, why has no attempt been made to ascertain the situation.
- 270 **QUALIFIED MATHEMATICS TEACHERS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 111b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What is the Government's policy position regarding whether mathematics classes should be taught by qualified mathematics teachers.
 - (2) How does the Government intend to set about implementing this policy.
- 271 **MATHEMATICS TEACHERS IN VICTORIAN STATE PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 112a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) How many regional Numeracy Leaders are there.
 - (2) How many school-based co-ordinators have been trained.
- 272 **MATHEMATICS TEACHERS IN VICTORIAN STATE PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 112a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What assessment been made of the quality or usefulness of the 'CDROM of the training program' for middle years numeracy.
 - (2) What 'on-line resources' for middle year numeracy have been provided to date.
- 273 **MIDDLE YEARS NUMERACY PROGRAM IN SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 115a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What is the form of the 'school compacts'.
 - (2) What are the rewards for meeting the 'school compacts'.

- (3) What are the sanctions for failing to meet the 'school compacts'.
- (4) Does the Minister or the Department have any advice or results on the efficacy of the 'school compacts'.
- 274 **CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 135b received on 26 August 2003 — what are the names of the regular schools which have more than 30 students who receive additional funding through the Program for Students with Disabilities.
- 275 **CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON STATE SCHOOL GROUNDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 172b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) In each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (a) how many criminal activities reports were made by state schools to the Department of Education and Training; and
- (b) what are the details of the types and numbers of criminal activities.
- (2) Were there any schools or geographic areas where the number of reports were significantly higher than the average.
- 276 **CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON CATHOLIC SCHOOL GROUNDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 172b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) In each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (a) how many criminal activities reports were made by catholic schools to the Department of Education and Training; and
- (b) what are the details of the types and numbers of criminal activities.
- (2) Were there any schools or geographic areas where the number of reports were significantly higher than the average.
- 277 **CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL GROUNDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 172b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) In each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (a) how many criminal activities reports were made by independent schools to the Department of Education and Training; and
- (b) what are the details of the types and numbers of criminal activities.

- (2) Were there any schools or geographic areas where the number of reports were significantly higher than the average.

280 **TEACHER OFFENCES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 173c received on 26 August 2003 —

- (1) For each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date, how many teachers were found to have breached their duty of trust to students.
- (2) What are the bases for such findings, and how many of the said teachers were removed for each such reason.

281 **NOTICES SERVED BY WORKCOVER** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

281a Minister for Education Services

281b Minister for WorkCover

Have any notices been served on the Department of Education and Training or any schools by WorkCover or any other government authority as a result of any dangerous or unsafe conditions; if so, what were the notices and the conditions identified.

282 **UNSAFE CONDITIONS IN SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 175 received on 26 August 2003 — in each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —

- (1) How many schools have applied for supplementary Physical Resources Management System (PRMS) funding.
- (2) What are the names for the schools which have applied for supplementary PRMS funding and for what purpose(s).
- (3) How many, and which, schools have received supplementary PRMS funding.

283 **MARK SENSE PROCEDURES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 198a received on 26 August 2003 —

- (1) What audits, if any, of the mark sense procedures have taken place in the last five years and what have they found.
- (2) What documents on the procedures have been prepared and not made public and for what reason.

284 **ON TRACK PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 191 received on 26 August 2003 — what, if any, contractual arrangements exist between the Department of Education and Training and Professor Richard Teese or any other entity with respect to the program.

- 285 **VICTORIAN STUDENT ASSESSMENT MONITOR (VSAM)** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 188a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) Has the study being carried out by RMIT Test Lab been completed and what are the results.
 - (2) Is there a written report and will it be made available publicly.
- 286 **FRAMEWORK FOR STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 185b received on 26 August 2003 — has there been any audit or review of the student welfare and curriculum teams; if yes, what are the results.
- 287 **CARDIO PULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND FIRST AID** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 167 received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) Does the Minister or the Department know how many teachers are trained in cardio pulmonary resuscitation and first aid.
 - (2) Can the Minister guarantee that every state school has at least one teacher or other staff member trained in cardio pulmonary resuscitation and first aid.
- 288 **PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 89 received on 26 August 2003 — for each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (1) How many decisions by principals were made that the most appropriate type of support for a student was a full-time integration aide.
 - (2) How many of these positions were funded under the program.
- 289 **PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 89 received on 26 August 2003 — for each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
- (1) How many appeals regarding decisions about a student's eligibility for the program or the level of funding were made by schools.
 - (2) How many appeals were successful.
- 290 **CHILDREN WITH LANGUAGE DISORDERS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to an article by Sasha Jamieson in the *Leader-Heidelberger* of Wednesday 10 September 2003 in which the following comments by the Minister are noted — 'Ms Allan said there had been unprecedented growth in the number of children with language disorders, which she said was beyond reasonable expectation' —

- (1) What has been the unprecedented growth.
- (2) Why is it beyond reasonable expectation.
- (3) Does the Minister have any expert reports or advice on this matter; if yes, what is it.

293 **PRINCIPAL FOR A DAY PROGRAM** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training —

- (1) How many members of parliament participated in the program.
- (2) Which parties did the members represent.
- (3) How many principals for a day worked in —
 - (a) rural and regional schools; and
 - (b) metropolitan schools.
- (4) What criteria were applied to the selection process for principals for a day.
- (5) Were police clearances a requirement for the program; if yes, how many principals for a day obtained police clearance.

295 **VICTORIAN CULTURAL HERITAGE INSPECTOR LICENCE REVOCATION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs with reference to the decision to revoke the licence of Annette Xiberras as a Victorian Cultural Heritage Inspector —

- (1) What was the reason for the removal of the licence.
- (2) What principles of natural justice had been accorded to Annette Xiberras prior to the licence being revoked.
- (3) What was the method of notification to Annette Xiberras.
- (4) To whom was this decision relayed prior to notice being given to Annette Xiberras.
- (5) Who supplied the information upon which the Minister acted.
- (6) Was Annette Xiberras given the opportunity to provide evidence of events leading up to the revocation of the licence.
- (7) How many licences have been revoked in Victoria in the past 10 years.

297 **COMPLETION OF LYNBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located south east of Dandenong —

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- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 298 **COMPLETION OF 'CHEESE FACTORY' PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located at Centre Road, Berwick —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 299 **COMPLETION OF STRATHAIRD PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Narre Warren South —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 300 **COMPLETION OF ROXBURGH PARK NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Narre Warren South —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 301 **COMPLETION OF JAMIESON WAY PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Point Cook —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 302 **COMPLETION OF TRUGANINA SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north of Werribee —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.

- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

303 **COMPLETION OF TARNEIT PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north west of Werribee —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

304 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

305 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES SECONDARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

306 **COMPLETION OF LAURIMAR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located near Yan Yean —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

307 **COMPLETION OF EPPING NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

- 308 **COMPLETION OF CAROLINE SPRINGS SCHOOL YEARS 9–12 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 309 **TIMBARRA SECONDARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — what works have been undertaken at the school, located in Berwick.
- 310 **COMPLETION OF WALLAN YEARS 7–8 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 311 **SOMERVILLE YEARS 7–10 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — what works have been undertaken.
- 312 **CAROLINE SPRINGS PREP TO YEAR 8 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — what works have been undertaken.
- 313 **SCHOOLYARD BLITZ PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 59 received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What plans and consultations have been undertaken under this program.
 - (2) What are the details on the proposed implementation of this program other than the fact that it appears in the Government's election policy document.
- 314 **RURAL CAMPUS LEARNING PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 57 received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What plans and consultations have been undertaken in respect of this program.
 - (2) What are the details of the program.
- 315 **MINISTERIAL TRIPS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 315a Minister for Education and Training
- 315b Minister for Education Services

- (1) What overseas and interstate trips on ministerial business has the Minister undertaken since the 2002 election.
- (2) What were the purposes of each such trip.

316 **STATE PRIMARY SCHOOL INTEGRATION AIDES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 89 received on 26 August 2003 —

- (1) How many of the 4,700 integration aides were full-time.
- (2) For each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
 - (a) how many appeals were made by schools against decisions to fund a part-time aide when the schools has applied for a full-time aide; and
 - (b) how many appeals were successful.
- (3) What advice does the Government have on the effectiveness of part-time aides.
- (4) What advice does the Government have on the difficulties experienced by schools in circumstances where a part-time aide has been allocated to students who need a full-time aide.

317 **FORECASTING TEACHER DEMAND SURVEY** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 117b received on 26 August 2003 — what information did the survey reveal in respect of —

- (1) Mathematics teachers.
- (2) Science teachers.
- (3) Languages other than English.

318 **BUSES WITHOUT SEATBELTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

318a Minister for Education and Training

318b Minister for Education Services

What is the Government's policy in respect of the transport of school children in buses without seatbelts.

319 **SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR NON-CUSTODIAL PARENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

319a Minister for Education and Training

319b Minister for Education Services

- (1) What is the Government's policy on the right of access to school information for non-custodial parents.
- (2) When was this policy last updated.
- (3) What guidelines are there on this matter.

321 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — has any money been committed; if yes, on what.

322 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — what works have been undertaken.

323 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — are there any guidelines under which areas of specialisation for each local community will be determined.

324 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — have any new facilities for innovative programs been implemented; if so, where and against what criteria is innovation measured.

QUESTION ASKED ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2003

328 **POSSUMS IN THE SANDRINGHAM ELECTORATE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to concerns of residents in the Sandringham electorate regarding the increasing number of possums living in trees, housetops and outbuildings —

- (1) What is the policy of the Government to —
 - (a) avert damage to property (wiring and ceilings);
 - (b) avert damage to plants, shrubs and trees, many of which are being destroyed;
 - (c) avert disruptions to domestic pets;
 - (d) prevent health risks; and
 - (e) prevent power blackouts.
- (2) Apart from advocating a possum curfew, what plans does the Government have to minimise disturbance to the quiet enjoyment of property by Sandringham electorate residents as a consequence of the expanding possum population.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 7 OCTOBER 2003

- 329 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the article ‘School blaze costs \$1m’ by Cameron Smith and Jeremy Calvert in the *Herald Sun* of Tuesday 23 September 2003 and the comment therein — “But last night, Government spokesman Tim Mitchell said sprinklers will not necessarily save schools from fire. ‘It will cost the taxpayer \$250 million to install fire sprinklers in all of Victoria’s 1600 schools,’ Mr Mitchell said. He said the Bracks Government was developing a fire strategy and would make an announcement about it in the coming months” and with further reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 — on what factual basis did Mr Tim Mitchell make the assertion ‘It will cost the taxpayer \$250 million to install fire sprinklers in all of Victoria’s 1600 schools’.
- 330 **VICTORIAN TEACHERS WORKING OVERSEAS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article ‘Exodus hurts schools’ published in the *Doncaster Templestowe News* of Wednesday 24 September 2003 which said, in part, ‘According to the Australian Education Union, about 30,000 Victorian teachers are working in the United Kingdom this year and thousands more are destined for the US’ — what advice does the Minister have on the number of Victorian teachers working overseas.
- 331 **TEACHERS ON LEAVE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article ‘Exodus hurts schools’ published in the *Doncaster Templestowe News* of Wednesday 24 September 2003 which said, in part, ‘Department of Education and Training spokesman Paul Barber said there was no record of the number of teachers who had left Victoria to teach overseas. Mr Barber also refused to say how many teachers were on leave and said the department was not concerned about the number of teachers working overseas’ — how many teachers are on the following forms of leave —
- (1) Adoption leave.
 - (2) Auxiliary medical leave.
 - (3) Compassionate leave.
 - (4) Infectious diseases leave.
 - (5) Leave without pay.
 - (6) Long service leave.
 - (7) Maternity leave.
 - (8) Parental leave.
 - (9) Paternity leave.
 - (10) Sabbatical leave.

- (11) Study leave.
 - (12) Temporary release of staff to external organisations.
 - (13) Temporary release of teachers to non-school based (OSE) locations.
 - (14) Trade union training leave.
 - (15) Transport accident leave.
 - (16) Working outside the department.
- 332 **MARYBOROUGH EDUCATION PRECINCT PRINCIPALS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 129a received on 26 August 2003 — has the master-plan been completed.
- 333 **MARYBOROUGH EDUCATION PRECINCT MASTER-PLAN** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 129a received on 26 August 2003 — how many school principals will be employed.
- 334 **CONDUCT AND ETHICS BRANCH OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article in the *Herald Sun* of 25 September 2003 entitled 'Job cuts may help teacher pedophiles' which said, in part, 'The State Government's plan to weed out pedophiles from schools could be hindered by their own job cuts. The Education Department's conduct and ethics branch employs 10 staff whose roles include checking some teachers' police records and doing background checks on non-teaching staff. The conduct and ethics branch, as part of the department's central office, is in the firing line of a restructure announced by Education Minister Lynne Kosky last month, which will slash about 330 Education Department jobs' — is any change to the branch planned; if so, what is it and why is it being done.
- 335 **BALANCED SCORECARD APPROACH** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 86a received on 26 August 2003 — what documents and data are produced by schools as part of the balanced scorecard approach and to whom are these documents made available.
- 336 **BALANCED SCORECARD APPROACH** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 86a received on 26 August 2003 — what documents are produced by the Department of Education and Training as part of the balanced scorecard approach to analysing the strengths and weaknesses of each school and to whom are those documents made available.
- 337 **ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK — MARIBYRNONG SECONDARY COLLEGE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the responses to questions 86a and 132a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the strengths and weaknesses of Maribyrnong Secondary College.

- 338 **ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK — BROADMEADOWS, LALOR AND PETER LALOR SECONDARY COLLEGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the responses to questions 86a and 132a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the strengths and weaknesses of Broadmeadows, Lalor and Peter Lalor Secondary Colleges.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 8 OCTOBER 2003

- 341 **FUNDING TO NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Savage to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to recent concerns of funding to non-government schools —
- (1) Is the Government prepared to fund needy non-government schools at least to the national average.
 - (2) Will the Government index the grants to non-government schools in need, as happens in every other state and territory along with Commonwealth grants to non-government schools.
- 343 **V/LINE FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What was the amount collected in farebox revenue for V/Line Passenger rail and coach services in Victoria and interstate in each of 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 through the sale of —
 - (a) ordinary adult single tickets;
 - (b) ordinary adult return tickets;
 - (c) weekly adult tickets;
 - (d) date-to-date adult tickets;
 - (e) discounted weekday adult return tickets;
 - (f) discounted weekend adult return tickets;
 - (g) concession single tickets;
 - (h) concession return tickets; and
 - (i) other tickets.
 - (2) What was the total V/Line farebox revenue in 2002–2003 derived from sales of tickets that included a journey commencing or terminating at:
 - (a) Geelong;
 - (b) North Geelong;

- (c) South Geelong;
 - (d) North Shore;
 - (e) Corio;
 - (f) Lara;
 - (g) Little River;
 - (h) Ballarat;
 - (i) Ballan;
 - (j) Heathcote Junction;
 - (k) Wandong;
 - (l) Kilmore East;
 - (m) Broadford;
 - (n) Tallarook;
 - (o) Seymour;
 - (p) Avenel;
 - (q) Euroa;
 - (r) Clarkefield;
 - (s) Riddells Creek;
 - (t) Gisborne;
 - (u) Macedon;
 - (v) Woodend; and
 - (w) Kyneton.
- (3) What percentage of V/Line journeys are made by passengers who pay an adult fare, whether or not that fare is at the ordinary rate or calculated at a periodical or discounted rate.
- (4) What trends, if any, are evident in farebox revenue in 2003–2004 to date.
- (5) How many passenger journeys were made on the V/Line network in 2002–2003 beyond the inter-urban boundaries of —

- (a) South Geelong;
 - (b) Kyneton;
 - (c) Ballarat;
 - (d) Seymour; and
 - (e) Traralgon.
- (6) How much farebox revenue was derived in 2002–2003 from passenger journeys made on all V/Line coach services.
- (7) How much revenue was derived in 2002–2003 from V/Line Passenger journeys made on longer distance rail services operating beyond the inter-urban area to locations such as Albury, Swan Hill and Sale, excluding inter-urban journeys such as Melbourne to Seymour made on these services.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 14 OCTOBER 2003

344 **TEACHER RELEASE TO INDUSTRY PROGRAM** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training —

- (1) What has been the funding commitment to the Program for 1998–1999, 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004.
- (2) How many teachers participated in the Program for the period 1998 to 2003.
- (3) What were the range of industries in which the teachers were involved.
- (4) What evaluation has been undertaken of the Program and what were the chief recommendations.
- (5) What is the Government's funding commitment for 2004.

347 **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer —

- (1) Which authorities (as defined in the *Audit Act 1994*) that report to the Treasurer have, since October 1999, initiated projects costing \$1 million or more for the upgrade, expansion or enhancement of their information technology.
- (2) When did each such project commence.
- (3) When did each such project that has been completed finish, and what is the estimated finishing date for each such project not yet completed.
- (4) What were the objectives of each such project.

- (5) What did each such project consist of.
- (6) What has been the cost of each such project that has been completed, and what is the estimated cost of each such project not yet completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 15 OCTOBER 2003

348 **SITTING FEES FOR MEMBERS OF STATUTORY BOARDS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the practice of members of statutory boards being paid daily or half daily sitting fees —

- (1) Does a full day mean —
 - (a) 24 hours;
 - (b) 7.6 hours;
 - (c) 3.9 hours; or
 - (d) some other time frame.
- (2) Does a half day mean —
 - (a) 12 hours;
 - (b) 3.8 hours; or
 - (c) some other time frame.
- (3) What plans (if any) does the Government have to clarify the statutory definition of a sitting day or half sitting day for boards so that ambiguities regarding sitting fees for members of statutory boards might be clarified.

349 **NORTHERN PACIFIC SEASTAR IN VICTORIAN WATERS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment —

- (1) What is the current estimated number of Seastar in Port Phillip Bay.
- (2) Has the Seastar been detected in Western Port Bay.
- (3) What is the funding allocation for research into the Seastar in 2003–2004.
- (4) What has been the allocation for research funding into the problem of the Seastar on a per year basis over the last four years.

350 **FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for the Transport — what was the farebox revenue collected in each of 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 for each of Zone 1, Zone 2,

Zone 3, Zones 1+2, Zones 2+3 and Zones 1+2+3 in Melbourne's public transport system for the following ticket types —

- (1) Adult 2 hour.
- (2) Adult daily.
- (3) Adult weekly.
- (4) Adult monthly.
- (5) Adult yearly.
- (6) Concession 2 hour.
- (7) Concession daily (excluding 60-plus).
- (8) Concession weekly.
- (9) Concession monthly.
- (10) Concession yearly.
- (11) Adult short trip (Zone 1 only).
- (12) Adult rail plus two (Zone 1 only).
- (13) Adult two hour x 10.
- (14) Concession two hour x 10.
- (15) Adult short trip x 10.
- (16) Concession short trip x 10.
- (17) 60-plus.
- (18) Group Get-a-bout.
- (19) Melbourne Delegate Card.
- (20) Family daily.
- (21) Adult off-peak saver (Zone 2 and Zone 3 only).
- (22) Concession off-peak saver (Zone 2 and Zone 3 only).
- (23) Student pass (six monthly validity).
- (24) Student pass (yearly validity).

QUESTION ASKED ON 15 OCTOBER 2003

- 352 **GRAFFITI** — Mr Mulder to ask the Honourable the Minister for the Transport with reference to the response to question 38 received on 8 May 2003 —
- (1) Why has M>Train or VicTrack still not removed the graffiti from South Yarra's redundant signal box at the Melbourne end of the South Yarra platforms.
 - (2) What is meant by the words 'promptly remove graffiti'.

QUESTION ASKED ON 16 OCTOBER 2003

- 354 **TRUANCY DATA** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the Minister's comments quoted in *The Age* on 9 May 2003 which said in part: 'The Education Department will also keep more detailed data on truancy. Previously, truancy and absences approved by parents were listed in the one figure. From this year, the department will collect separate data. You do need to get a sense of why the non-attendance has happened and whether it's sporadic days or whether it's groups of days'— what detailed data has been collected and what does the data show.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 28 OCTOBER 2003

- 355 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum — what is the rationale for the proposal and what progress has been made in implementing it.
- 356 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the growing interest in VCE psychology among young people and the high rates of mental illness and suicide — how is a proposal to remove mental health issues from the curriculum justified.
- 357 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the suggestion that one of the main reasons for the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum is the lack of sufficiently well trained teachers in this subject — what resources has the Department put into recruiting and training the teachers needed for this subject.
- 358 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 358a Minister for Community Services
358b Minister for Education and Training

358c Minister for Education Services

- (1) Have some families been on the early intervention waiting list for the Service for over two years.
- (2) What is the Government doing to eliminate waiting lists for these families in such a crucial time for their children.

359 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

359a Minister for Community Services

359b Minister for Education and Training

359c Minister for Education Services

Are there any plans for additional government support to employ more travelling teachers for the Service to eliminate waiting lists, so families can expect the service they deserve and need for immediate early intervention.

360 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

360b Minister for Agriculture

360c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources

360e Attorney-General

360i Minister for Education and Training

360j Minister for Education Services

360k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs

360l Minister for Environment

360n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games

360p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation

360ah Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries

360ai Treasurer

360aj Treasurer for the Minister for Finance

360ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

360am Minister for Victorian Communities

360an Minister for Water

360ap Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department or private office since 27 March 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

361 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

361c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources

361e Attorney-General

- 361f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
 361h Minister for Corrections
 361i Minister for Education and Training
 361j Minister for Education Services
 361k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
 361n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
 361p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
 361ac Minister for Police and Emergency Services
 361ah Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
 361ai Treasurer
 361aj Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
 361ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology
 361am Minister for Victorian Communities
 361ap Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 5 December 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

362 **AUTISTIC CHILDREN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) For each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 how many parents (or carers) of autistic children have relinquished their children to the care of the Department of Human Services.
- (2) For each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 how many parents (or carers) of autistic children have threatened the Department of Human Services with relinquishing their children to the care of the Department.

364 **STATE HOME LOANS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the various State Home Loans (such as the HOLS and SHOS schemes) —

- (1) How many people still have loans with the Office of Housing.
- (2) How many people have taken advantage of the Government's home loans offer since it was introduced.
- (3) How many of the borrowers who still have loans with the Office of Housing are eligible for the Government scheme.

366 **HOUSE PURCHASES IN THE BENDIGO REGION** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) How many houses has the Government purchased in the Bendigo region for transitional housing between December 1999 and October 2003.

- (2) What was the total cost of the houses purchased.
- (3) By suburb, what are the locations of the properties purchased.
- (4) What is the size of each property purchased.

367 **OFFICE OF HOUSING HOUSES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) How many houses has the Office of Housing sold in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 respectively, by Department of Human Services region.
- (2) How many properties has the Office of Housing acquired in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 respectively, by Department of Human Services region.

368 **REDEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the itemised list of estates earmarked for redevelopment or neighbourhood renewal programs, including a progress report on each public housing site.
- (2) Whether the redevelopment of these estates involves contributions in kind from the not-for-profit sector or private developers, including details of the type of contribution made towards each such redevelopment.
- (3) What are the details of public estates where the Government has already undertaken or proposes to undertake the subdivision and sell the land for private sector development.
- (4) What are the details of the type of contractual arrangement the Government proposes to negotiate with 'private developers' to encourage a mix of private and public housing developments on Government-owned sites.
- (5) What are the details of private investors who have submitted a joint venture proposal for the redevelopment of public housing estates.

369 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AT RALEIGH STREET, WINDSOR** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of the estate —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the Council; if so, when.

- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) What is the 2002–2003 budget for the redevelopment.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.

370 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of each of Victory Boulevard in Ashburton, Thomson Estate in Geelong East, Rathdowne Street in Carlton, Raglan Ingles Estate in Port Melbourne, Elizabeth Street in Richmond, Kensington Estate in Kensington, Long Gully in Bendigo, Maidstone/Braybrook Estate, Mark/Rundle Estate in Wodonga, Parkside Estate in Shepparton and Peace Court in Doveton —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the relevant Council; if so, when.
- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) How much has been budgeted for this development in 2003–2004.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.
- (8) Broken down by the number of bedrooms, how many units will be available as a result of this redevelopment for —
 - (a) public housing; and
 - (b) private housing.

371 **WENDOUREE WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PROJECT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the total expected cost of the project.
- (2) What is the amount in the 2003–2004 State budget for the project.
- (3) When is work scheduled to commence on the 11 properties whose tenants have decided on design options for their properties.
- (4) What is the budget for 2003–2004 for —
 - (a) physical improvements and redevelopment of properties; and
 - (b) all other elements of the project.

- (5) How many public properties will be redeveloped as part of this project.
- (6) What is the total cost of the redevelopment of these properties.
- (7) Has a developer been selected for the redevelopment; if so, who.
- (8) What is the commencement date of the works.
- (9) What is the anticipated completion date of the works.

QUESTION ASKED ON 29 OCTOBER 2003

372 **ASBESTOS IN MELBOURNE YARD STABLING SIDINGS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each of the Broadmeadows, Cranbourne, Frankston, Pakenham, Sandringham, Watergardens, Werribee, Williamstown and Upfield lines between 15 and 24 October 2003 inclusive as a result of asbestos being found in the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.
- (2) What was the scheduled time of departure from its terminus of all trains cancelled on each line, and on what dates was each cancelled.
- (3) What steps are being taken to ensure that any further asbestos residues are immediately discovered and then removed from inner city stabling sidings such as in the North Melbourne area, closer to North Melbourne station than the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 NOVEMBER 2003

373 **M>TRAIN** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) When will M>Train next change its timetables on all its lines.
- (2) When will six carriage trains on the Upfield line be introduced.
- (3) Will the change to six carriage trains on the Upfield line be in peak hours only.
- (4) How many of M>Train's six carriage sets are required to operate each of the current morning and afternoon weekday peak services.
- (5) How many of each of Hitachi, Comeng and Siemens six carriage sets were in service with M>Train on 5 November 2003.

375 **PUBLIC TRANSPORT FARE INCREASE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Will fares increase in either December 2003 or January 2004.
- (2) What is the likely percentage increase.

QUESTION ASKED ON 6 NOVEMBER 2003

376 **VICTORIA POLICE PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — what are the targets for 2003–2004 for —

- (1) Police presence in the community listed by each of total number of patrol hours and total hours of assistance to the community at police stations/work areas.
- (2) Community safety programs listed by total hours of police service.
- (3) Response readiness listed by total number of joint emergency response exercises conducted.
- (4) Response to incidents listed by number of calls for assistance to which a response was dispatched.
- (5) Investigation of crimes against the person listed by total hours of investigation.
- (6) Investigation of crimes against property listed by total hours of investigation.
- (7) Investigation of illegal drug activity listed by total hours of investigation.
- (8) Road safety strategies and awareness listed by each of total hours committed to road safety strategies and awareness programs.
- (9) Road traffic law enforcement listed by total hours of operation.
- (10) Managing people in custody listed by total hours of prisoner supervision.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 18 NOVEMBER 2003

378 **HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES** — Mr Ryan to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) Why is the Hazardous Waste Siting Advisory Committee not mentioned in any of the material released by the Government and did it play any role in the site selection.
- (2) Where were the other 100, 14 and six sites that were originally identified before the Government came up with the final three at Violet Town, Pittong and Tiega.

- (3) Why is it that the soil recycling facility at Dutson Downs will not be subject to an environmental effects statement when these three sites will be.
- (4) What were the '30 stringent criteria' used by the Government to identify the three sites.
- (5) On what criteria were two thirds of the State ruled out through computer mapping alone.
- (6) How can it be possible that no suitable Crown land could be found.
- (7) Why is it that, given the Government expects the facility to be highly secure, no sites were short-listed in the metropolitan area where the bulk of the waste will come from.
- (8) How long has this process been underway and were any tests taken on private land without the consent of landholders.

379 **GUN BUYBACK SCHEME** — Mr Ryan to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —

- (1) How many handguns have been surrendered.
- (2) What is the total cost of the buyback plan at this stage and how does this compare with Government estimates.

380 **BASSLINK PTY LTD** — Mr Ingram to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to the construction of the Basslink Pty Ltd marine cable and its impact on commercial and recreational fisheries —

- (1) In relation to the code of conduct for commercial fishers as required by the Minister for Planning —
 - (a) has Basslink Pty Ltd prepared a code of conduct for commercial fishers as required;
 - (b) has the Government approved the code and when will it be publicly available;
 - (c) will the code be agreed to before the Basslink project commences;
 - (d) if a code of conduct cannot be agreed to, will the Minister ensure that issues of concern are addressed;
 - (e) with which fishing groups and individuals did the proponents consult in developing the code; and
 - (f) did the proponents consult with Gippsland fishers such as those from Yarram, Port Albert, Mcloughlin's Beach, Lakes Entrance, Port Welshpool and Port Franklin, if not, why not; if so, with whom.
- (2) In the consultation process, what changes were made from the draft code of conduct to reflect the concerns raised by the commercial fishers.

- (3) Did the proponents consult with the recreational fishers of Gippsland who will actually be fishing and anchoring in the Victorian waters where the sub-sea cables are proposed to be laid.
- (4) As the planned use of the metallic return cable results in a magnetic field which will cause deviation of magnetic boat compasses, how is this safety information being provided to all Gippsland fishers.
- (5) As the commercial fishers at Port Albert have not accepted the use of the Bruce anchor, why is it still being endorsed by Basslink.
- (6) As the movement of the strong Bass Strait currents through the magnetic field of the bundled sub-sea cables creates an induced electric field which will be detected by sharks and rays, what studies have been conducted by Basslink to confirm the changes in shark and ray behaviour which may occur when the cables are in use.
- (7) Will the operating cables cause more sharks to swim inshore close to the public swimming beaches along the tourist attraction of the Ninety Mile Beach.
- (8) What studies have been undertaken to assess the impact on tourism in the area.
- (9) If, in the event that Basslink is constructed with metallic return marine cables bundled together instead of the more benign coaxial cable, and sharks and rays follow the cable as scientific research suggests, will the Government have the power to force the operators to turn off the cable.
- (10) Will the Government have the power to force the owner of the cable to remove the metallic return configuration and have it replaced with coaxial cable.
- (11) If the cable needs to be modified after construction, who will be required to bear the cost of modification.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 19 NOVEMBER 2003

381 **VICROADS TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to VicRoads 'traffic controllers' (boxes) that control signalised intersections —

- (1) Within how many days must reported graffiti be removed.
- (2) How many are located in each of VicRoads Metropolitan South East, Metropolitan North West, Eastern, Northeastern, Southwestern and Western regional areas.
- (3) How many complaints were received about faults in each region's signalised intersections in each of October 2002 and October 2003.
- (4) What were the main categories, by number, about which complaints were concerned.
- (5) How many of the complaints in each of the above months included a name, address and telephone contact number.

- 382 **V/LINE FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — what total V/Line farebox revenue in 2002–2003 was derived from sales of tickets that included a journey commencing, or terminating, at each of Nar Nar Goon, Garfield, Tynong, Bunyip, Longwarry, Drouin, Warragul, Yarragon, Trafalgar, Moc, Morwell and Traralgon.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 NOVEMBER 2003

- 383 **GOVERNMENT FUNDING FOR LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to funding for languages other than english (LOTE) as part of the formal curriculum and out of school hours program — what has been the Government funding commitment for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004.
- 384 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to train cancellations on the Dandenong line and in particular the cancellation of the 10.00 pm city bound train from Oakleigh on 27 October 2003 — what have been the reasons for service cancellations.
- 385 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BEACH ROAD, BEAUMARIS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,657 fines being issued following 195.77 hours of operation and raising \$403,864 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.
- 386 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BLUFF ROAD, HAMPTON** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,522 fines being issued following 134.94 hours of operation and raising \$383,344 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.
- 387 **CHILD MIGRANTS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Premier with reference to the Senate Community Affairs Committee's Report on child migrants, *Lost Innocents: Righting the Record*, and the recommendation that the Victorian Government contributes to the fund which provides for former British and Maltese child migrants wishing to visit their birthplaces —
- (1) What funding has the Government committed to assist former child migrants complete their reunion visits to their country of origin in 2002–2003.
 - (2) What plans does the Government have to commit funding pursuant to the Senate recommendation in 2003–2004.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 NOVEMBER 2003

- 388 **ERRATIC OR DANGEROUS DRIVING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 388a Minister for Police and Emergency Services
388b Minister for Transport
- (1) How many reports of persons aged 65 or over claimed to be driving erratically or dangerously have Victoria Police submitted to VicRoads since 1 January 2003.
 - (2) How many of these reports emanated from driving instructors.
 - (3) How many driving licences held by persons aged 65 years or over have been suspended or had conditions placed on them for alleged erratic or dangerous driving since 1 January 2003.
- 389 **FARE RISES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — what fare rises will apply from 1 January 2004 to —
- (1) Geelong urban bus services.
 - (2) Bendigo urban bus services.
 - (3) Ballarat urban bus services.
 - (4) Latrobe Valley urban bus services, including services between Moe, Morwell, Traralgon, Churchill and Yallourn.
 - (5) Shepparton urban bus services.
 - (6) Warrnambool urban bus services.
 - (7) Each of V/Line rail and coach passenger services.
- 390 **LIBRA CONSULTING** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to services provided to Victoria Police by Libra Consulting — how many hours of service were invoiced, and what were the total amounts paid to Libra Consulting in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003.
- 391 **VICTORIA POLICE VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the Victoria Police vehicle fleet as at 1 June 2000, 1 June 2001, 1 June 2002 and 1 June 2003 —
- (1) How many vehicles were 'on loan'.
 - (2) How many vehicles were deployed to Traffic Operations Group duties.

(3) How many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria.

392 **VICTORIA POLICE MATERNITY AND PATERNITY LEAVE** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — with reference to Victoria Police full-time or equivalent sworn members as at 1 June 2000, 1 June 2001, 1 June 2002 and 1 June 2003 —

(1) How many were provided maternity leave.

(2) What was the total equivalent number of hours of leave granted to members provided with maternity leave.

(3) How many were provided paternity leave.

(4) What was the total equivalent number of hours of leave granted to members provided with paternity leave.

QUESTION ASKED ON 17 NOVEMBER 2003

393 **REVENUE RECEIVED** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer — what was the amount of revenue received in 2002–2003, and what is the estimated amount of revenue to be received in 2003–2004 from each of the following heads of duty —

(1) Transfers of real property.

(2) Declarations of trust.

(3) Public liability insurance policies.

(4) Other non-life insurance policies.

(5) Mortgages.

(6) New motor vehicles.

(7) Used motor vehicles.

(8) Transport Accident Charge.

(9) Hire of goods.

(10) Temporary or term life insurance policies.

(11) Other life insurance policies.

(12) Sale of cattle.

(13) Sale of sheep and goats.

- (14) Any other head of duty.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 2 MARCH 2004

- 394 **TRANSPORT MURAL AT SPENCER STREET STATION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport — what plans does the Government have to relocate the heritage-listed mural by Harold Freedman and David Jack, from the Victorian State Studio, which notes the significant transport modes of the first 100 years of settlement in Victoria to an appropriate public place.
- 395 **CHIEF JUSTICE APPOINTMENT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the recent appointment of the new Chief Justice which followed a period of public advertising — how much money was spent advertising the position in —
- (1) Victoria.
 - (2) Tasmania.
 - (3) South Australia.
 - (4) Western Australia.
 - (5) Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory.
 - (6) Queensland.
 - (7) New South Wales.
- 396 **BUSH NURSING CENTRES IN VICTORIA** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care —
- (1) To provide a list of the Centres which have been funded by the Department of Human Services.
 - (2) To provide details of the value of administration grants paid to each Centre.
- 397 **SCHOOL SERVICES OFFICERS (SSO)** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 397a Minister for Education Services
397b Minister for Education and Training
- (1) What percentage of SSO vacancies listed in the Education Times include contract positions which are filled by the incumbent holder of the contract in the previous year.

- (2) What is the Minister's response to the proposition put by an existing SSO that 'SSOs who are in excess and need to be redeployed, are required to ring around to establish whether listed vacancies are "real" jobs, go through the process of letter applications, multiple copies for panel members, go through an interview, only to be given a predetermined and predictable result'.
- (3) What is the Minister's response to the proposition put by an existing SSO that 'the minister introduce a list of "real" vacancies with many tagged ongoing to reduce the inefficiency of the current system and improve morale and job prospects for SSOs in government schools'.

398 **OFFICE EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

398a Minister for Innovation

398b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003, what are the details of expenses of the office of the Minister, including

- (1) Number of ministerial staff allocated to the Minister.
- (2) Staff salaries and on-costs.
- (3) Other recurrent ministerial office operating expenses.
- (4) Minister's and/or office international flights and destination of international flights.
- (5) Minister's and/or office domestic flights.
- (6) Travel-related expenses.
- (7) Alcohol costs.

399 **DEPARTMENTAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

399a Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

399b Minister for Innovation

399c Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all advertising campaigns relating to the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration, indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 January 2003.

400 **CHARTER FLIGHT COSTS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

400a Minister for Innovation

400b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003 to date, what are the details for all charter flights, including helicopters and light planes, used by the Minister and/or the Minister's office indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Carrier.
- (3) Destination.
- (4) Cost.
- (5) Purpose.

401 **CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

401a Minister for Innovation

401b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of each consultancy commissioned by the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration since 1 January 2003, indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Cost.
- (3) Purpose.
- (4) Name and address of consultant.
- (5) Recommendations made.
- (6) Action taken in response to any recommendations.
- (7) Whether tenders were called.

402 **DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

402a Minister for Innovation

402b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all publications produced by the Minister's department, indicating in each case —

- (1) Title.
- (2) Date of issue and distribution.
- (3) Cost of production.

- (4) Number printed.
- (5) Printer's name.
- (6) Details of distribution, including numbers and cost.
- (7) The purpose of the production.

403 **ADVERTISING BUDGET IN ETHNIC MEDIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs —

- (1) What percentage of their campaign advertising budget has each department and agency spent in the ethnic media for 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003.
- (2) Which government departments and agencies have not met government guidelines relating to the requirement to spend a minimum of five per cent of their advertising budget in ethnic media.
- (3) What action is the Government taking in relation to those departments and agencies that do not spend the minimum amount of five per cent of their advertising budget in ethnic media.

404 **MULTICULTURAL INITIATIVES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs —

- (1) How much did each department and agency spend on multicultural initiatives in 2002–2003.
- (2) How much does each department and agency expect to spend on multicultural initiatives in 2003–2004.
- (3) Has there been an increase or decrease in spending in multicultural initiatives between 2002 and 2004.

405 **ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

405a Minister for Innovation

405b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

With reference to the Minister's office and/or departmental resources used by the Minister, what are the details of all entertainment expenses incurred, indicating —

- (1) The total costs.
- (2) Itemised details of all expenditure over \$500 including —
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) number of guests;

- (c) cost;
- (d) purpose; and
- (e) name of the service provider.

406 **FEDERATION SQUARE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to Federation Square Management Pty Ltd —

- (1) On what date was the decision made to reclassify a \$14.2 million loan to 'forgiveness of debt'.
- (2) What were the reason/s for this decision being made.

407 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIOS** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

407a Minister for Innovation

407b Minister for Major Projects

407c Minister for State and Regional Development

With reference to work undertaken since 4 December 2003 at the Studios —

- (1) What are the names of the consultants who undertook work in relation to the Studios.
- (2) Briefly describe the type of work undertaken.
- (3) What remuneration did the named consultants receive.
- (4) What dates was the work performed.

408 **FIXED TRAFFIC CAMERAS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the fixed camera at the corner of Thomas Street and North Road, Brighton East —

- (1) What date was the camera installed.
- (2) How many fines have been issued.

409 **FIXED TRAFFIC CAMERAS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —

- (1) What are the sites (other than the corner of Thomas Street and North Road, Brighton East) in the electorate of Brighton (suburbs of Brighton, Brighton East, parts of the suburbs of Elsternwick, Elwood, Gardenvale, Hampton and Hampton East) that have fixed traffic cameras installed.

- (2) Are there any plans to install additional fixed traffic cameras in the electorate of Brighton.

410 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

- 410a Premier
- 410b Minister for Agriculture
- 410c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
- 410d Minister for the Arts
- 410e Attorney-General
- 410f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
- 410g Minister for Community Services
- 410h Minister for Corrections
- 410i Minister for Education Services
- 410j Minister for Education and Training
- 410k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
- 410l Minister for Environment
- 410m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
- 410n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
- 410o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
- 410p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 410q Minister for Financial Services Industry
- 410r Minister for Gaming
- 410s Minister for Health
- 410t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
- 410u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
- 410v Minister for Industrial Relations
- 410w Minister for Innovation
- 410x Minister for Major Projects
- 410y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
- 410z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
- 410aa Minister for Planning
- 410ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 410ac Minister for Racing
- 410ad Minister for State and Regional Development
- 410ae Minister for Tourism
- 410af Minister for Transport
- 410ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
- 410ah Treasurer
- 410ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
- 410aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
- 410ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
- 410al Minister for Victorian Communities
- 410am Minister for Water
- 410an Minister for Women's Affairs
- 410ao Minister for WorkCover
- 410ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) Since 20 October 1999, how many jobs awarded to the company were exempted from the Victorian Government Purchasing Board.
- (2) On what grounds were exemptions given.
- (3) Was a certificate of exemption issued.
- (4) Who signed the documents granting exemption.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 3 MARCH 2004

411 **WORKPLACE BULLYING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

- 411a Premier
- 411b Minister for Agriculture
- 411c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
- 411d Minister for the Arts
- 411e Attorney-General
- 411f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
- 411g Minister for Community Services
- 411h Minister for Corrections
- 411i Minister for Education Services
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- 411aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology

411ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
 411al Minister for Victorian Communities
 411am Minister for Water
 411an Minister for Women's Affairs
 411ao Minister for WorkCover
 411ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

- (1) How many cases of bullying in the workplace have been reported to each department or agency under the aegis of the Minister between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2003.
- (2) How many of these claims resulted in WorkCover cases being established.
- (3) What was the total cost of these claims.
- (4) What has been the dollar increase in premiums for each individual department or agency due to claims for bullying in the workplace.

412 **SIEMENS THREE CAR SETS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Siemens three car sets had been accepted by M>Train following testing as at 1 March 2004.
- (2) How many further three car sets are expected to be delivered by —
 - (a) 31 May 2004;
 - (b) 31 August 2004;
 - (c) 30 November 2004;
 - (d) 28 February 2005.

413 **CHILD-SEX OFFENDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the visit of convicted child-sex offender Paul Cudmore to Northcote Shopping Plaza —

- (1) What was the outcome of the full examination and inquiry by the Department of Human Services announced by the Premier on 23 February 2004 into how Paul Cudmore was able to abscond from his guardians and will the Minister make public the outcome of the inquiry.
- (2) Was recommendation 20 of the September 2001 Report of the Review Panel to Consider the Operation of the Disability Services at the Statewide Forensic Service (SFS) followed and had the staff member accompanying Mr Cudmore —
 - (a) worked for SFS for at least six months;
 - (b) undertaken and satisfactorily completed the workplace orientation and induction program;

(c) completed at least 18 shifts within Mr Cudmore's unit of residence.

- (3) Why were SFS rules concerning community access (leave), which state that SFS clients with a history of child-sex offences should not be taken to areas frequented by children, ignored in this case.

414 **INQUIRY INTO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the inquiry into the juvenile justice system by Mr Bob Falconer, announced by the Premier on 16 February 2004, to provide —

- (1) Terms of reference.
- (2) Timelines.
- (3) Costs.

415 **PROPOSED CLOSURE OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the proposed closure of the Central Health Interpreter Service — what formal consultation took place with —

- (1) Representatives from the Ethnic Communities Council of Victoria.
- (2) Representatives of the Victorian Multicultural Commission.
- (3) Professional representatives of the Australian Institute of Interpreters and Translators.
- (4) Representatives of the Ethnic Community Organisation in Victoria.
- (5) The Office of the Premier or the Office of the Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs.
- (6) Rural and regional health network administrators and medical practitioners.

416 **CHAIRPERSON OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the appointment of Mr Stan Naylor as Chairperson of the Central Health Interpreter Service —

- (1) What were the terms of reference for his appointment.
- (2) What were the reasons all former Board members declined to be reappointed.
- (3) What was the name of the report prepared by Mr Naylor which reviewed the Service.
- (4) What were the recommendations in the report.

417 **HEALTH SERVICE INTERPRETER SERVICES IN RURAL AND REGIONAL AREAS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the provision of interpreter services for migrant Victorians in rural and regional Victorian health networks and the pending

closure of the Central Health Interpreter Service on 26 March 2004, a service which has been funded by the Department of Human Services for over 23 years —

- (1) What guarantee does the Government give that only National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters Level 3 health specialist interpreter services will be available in rural and regional Victoria on an ongoing basis.
- (2) Whether rural and regional hospitals have been informed of any interim procedures which will allow for the continuing delivery of services at the same level of health specialist expertise.

418 **CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health — what guarantees and accountability measures are in place to ensure that the distribution of the \$1.8 million currently funding the Central Health Interpreter Service will be spent in the delivery of interpreter services by health networks.

419 **MELBOURNE 2030** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — how many submissions on the implementation of Melbourne 2030 supported the changes to the Urban Growth Boundary in the Lyndhurst Area, in accordance with the Government's decision as introduced in November 2003, and from whom were those submissions received.

420 **YEAR OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what is the total amount of funding dedicated to the Year of the Built Environment.

421 **BOYD HOUSE** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what has been the total cost of consultancies, including legal fees, engaged by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, and Heritage Victoria and/or their representatives and agents, concerning action taken in relation to 666 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, otherwise known as the 'Boyd House', and its owner Maria Rajendrau, for each year since 30 June 1999.

422 **REGISTERED ROOF FIXING PLUMBERS** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — how many applications to become a registered roof fixing plumber were approved by the Plumbing Industry Commission during the limited period of time in December 2003 and January 2004 when the Commission determined to allow applications by any person regardless of the length of time they have been doing such work.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 30 MARCH 2004

423 **BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS (BEST)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —

- (1) Is there a register maintained of declared gifts, gratuities or other benefits, as received by BEST management, employees and contractors, from external companies, organisations or individuals.

- (2) If there is no register, what probity measures are in place to ensure that BEST management, employees and contractors are not subjected to offers of, or accept, monetary or non-monetary inducements/benefits from potential bidders, actual bidders or other stakeholders, on projects managed or overseen by BEST.
- (3) Have any gifts, gratuities or other benefits been declared by BEST management, employees and contractors in relation to three current projects under management of BEST — the Mobile Data Terminal Network (MDT), the Melbourne Metropolitan Radio Network (MMR) and the Emergency Altering System (EAS).

424 **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY BURWOOD CAMPUS NORTHERN OVAL** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the discussions with the Burwood campus of Deakin University regarding the ownership and use of the site known as the Northern Oval —

- (1) When did the discussions start.
- (2) How many discussions or meetings have taken place.
- (3) What specifically has been discussed so far.
- (4) What is still to be discussed.
- (5) What agreements have been reached.
- (6) Is one of the points of discussion about a long term recreation space agreement and, if so, how long would that agreement last.
- (7) Has the Government offered Deakin University a price for the land and, if so, how much.
- (8) When will the Deakin-owned portion of the Northern Oval be transferred to public ownership as stated in an e-mail from the Minister's office dated 22 November 2002 and has it been determined what it will take to make this now 15-month old promise happen.

425 **FLAME RETARDANT CURTAINS AND INTERNAL FITTING IN SCHOOLS** — Mr Pertou to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

425a Minister for Education Services

425b Minister for Education and Training

How many schools are fitted out with flame retardant curtains and internal fittings as required under the Uniform Building Code of Australia in each of —

- (1) State primary schools.
- (2) State secondary schools.
- (3) Catholic schools.
- (4) Independent schools.

- 426 **M>TRAIN TRAINS IN SERVICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how many Siemens six-car trains were in revenue-carrying passenger service for M>Train on Tuesday 30 March 2004.
- 427 **M>TRAIN SIEMENS CARS** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 427a Minister for Transport
427b Treasurer
427c Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
- (1) What is the monthly cost to M>Train for leasing —
 - (a) Siemens motor cars;
 - (b) Siemens trailer cars that have been accepted from the manufacturer after completing testing.
 - (2) What is the period of lease for each car.
 - (3) What is the monthly cost of security guards employed at each of Dandenong and St Albans Stations to monitor stored Siemens train sets.
 - (4) What amount is being paid for security guards at each of Dandenong and St Albans Stations by —
 - (a) M>Train;
 - (b) Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) Department of Treasury and Finance;
 - (d) Siemens Rail Services or other associated companies;
 - (e) other entities.
- 428 **BOX HILL BUS TERMINAL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Box Hill bus terminal above Centro Box Hill —
- (1) How often is the terminal cleaned.
 - (2) Will the timetables missing from the cases relating to National Bus routes 284 and 315 be replaced at these locations and, if so, when.
 - (3) How many outbound journeys are made by passengers joining at the terminal on a typical weekday when school terms and university semesters are underway.
- 429 **M>TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to trains operated by M>Train —

- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each line operated by M>Train on —
 - (a) Monday 29 March 2004;
 - (b) Tuesday 30 March 2004.
- (2) What time was each service scheduled to depart Flinders Street Station and to which destination.
- (3) What was the reason for each cancellation.

430 **DIRECTOR OF VICTORIAN OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs — whether the position of Director or Acting Director of the Victorian Office of Multicultural Affairs has been filled and, if so, what process was followed to select the successful candidate.

431 **TRAM NETWORK RESTRICTIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) On what, if any, sections or full routes of Melbourne's tram network are the following types of trams unable to operate —
 - (a) 'D1' class three-section Combinos;
 - (b) 'D2' class five-section Combinos;
 - (c) Citadis trams.
- (2) What action, if any, does Yarra Trams or the Department of Infrastructure intend to take to rectify any such deficiencies in the network and by what date will each specific restriction be lifted.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 31 MARCH 2004

432 **STAMP DUTY COLLECTED IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer — what was the dollar amount of stamp duty collected for 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004 to date from the suburbs of —

- (1) Brighton (postcode 3186).
- (2) Brighton East (postcode 3187).

433 **SCHOOLS IN THE BRIGHTON ELECTORATE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Education and Training —

- (1) What is/will be the amount of recurrent expenditure and any other annual or one-off grants in 2003–2004 for —

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- (a) Brighton Primary School; and
 - (b) Brighton Secondary College.
- (2) What funds have been/will be directed in 2003–2004 to —
- (a) St Leonard’s College, East Brighton;
 - (b) Star of the Sea College, Gardenvale; and
 - (c) Haileybury College, East Brighton.
- 434 **DRAG RACING IN ELWOOD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to drag racing on Ormond Esplanade, Elwood —
- (1) What measures have police taken to reduce this activity.
 - (2) How many people have been fined for such activity in 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 435 **FEDERATION SQUARE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer —
- (1) On what date was the decision made to reclassify a \$14.2 million loan to ‘forgiveness of debt’.
 - (2) What were the reasons for this decision being made.
- 436 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services — what was the aggregate sum approved for flood relief by the Department of Human Services for the December 2003 floods and the January 2004 floods in metropolitan Melbourne.
- 437 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services —
- (1) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services receive for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.
 - (2) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services approve for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 APRIL 2004

- 438 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO PROBITY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to the *Probity Plan for the Docklands Film and Television Studio Complex Project* —
- (1) Was the template Confidentiality Agreement Annex B used; if not, why.
 - (2) Were confidentiality statements obtained from all Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor.
 - (3) On what date/s were the confidentiality statements obtained.
 - (4) How many confidentiality statements were not obtained and from whom were they not obtained.
 - (5) If there was a failure to obtain confidentiality statements, including from any new consultants and team members, what was the reason.
 - (6) Were all 'movements of submissions' logged and monitored, and how many were there.
 - (7) In Phase 3 (Request for Tender) were the confidentiality statements for Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor confirmed; if not, why.
 - (8) If the confidentiality statements were confirmed, on what date/s were they confirmed.
 - (9) How many 'interviews and presentations' took place during the Request for Tender stage.
 - (10) On what dates, and with which tenderer, did these 'interviews and presentations' take place.
 - (11) Were records of interviews, meetings, agendas and file notes kept of all these 'interviews and presentations'; if not, on which dates and in relation to which tenderers were written records not kept.
 - (12) Who were the 'authorised persons' with access to 'documents which contain tender related commercially sensitive information'.
 - (13) Were all documents containing tender related commercially sensitive information 'stored at all times in secure conditions'.
 - (14) Where precisely and under what circumstances was this information stored.
 - (15) Was a 'Movement Control Register' maintained; if so, how many movements were recorded in the register.
 - (16) Which tenders appeared on the Movement Control Register, on which dates were the tenders moved and returned, and to whom were the tenders issued.

- (17) Was the electronic information kept in the manner prescribed.
- (18) What were all the dates of meetings with Central City Studios (CCS) and were all these meetings attended by the required two persons; if not, on which date/s did meetings take place without the stipulated two persons being present.
- (19) On which date/s was a minute taker not present.
- 439 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —
- (1) Did the Minister meet with Central City Studios (CCS) or any person/s purporting to represent CCS; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
- (2) Did the Minister meet with Mr Peter Bartels; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
- 440 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT AUDITOR** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — why was no probity auditor appointed as at 30 August 2001 when Expression of Interests (EOIs) had already been called for.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 21 APRIL 2004

- 441 **UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ON NOTICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will questions 77, 225, 253, 254, 343, 350, 352, 372, 373, 375, 381, 382, 388b and 389 asked between 25 March 2003 and 25 November 2003 be answered.
- 442 **REDUNDANT TRAM DRIVERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) When will all former M>Tram and Yarra Trams tram drivers recently forced into redundancy as a result of Yarra Trams commencing to operate all of Melbourne's tram network be paid their full entitlements.
- (2) Have some drivers who have returned all M>Tram keys and property issued to them still not received their entitlements a week after returning the keys and property.
- (3) What is the total amount owing to former M>Tram drivers made redundant.
- 443 **TIME SAVINGS ON TRAM JOURNEYS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — what time savings will occur on each tram route between the terminus and final destination as a result of the *Tram to It* program on a typical —
- (1) Inbound weekday morning peak hour journey.

- (2) Outbound weekday afternoon peak hour journey.
- (3) Off-peak weekday journey.
- (4) Saturday daytime journey.
- (5) Sunday daytime journey.

444 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train (or from 18 April 2004, Connex) services scheduled to run express between Cheltenham and Caulfield, or Caulfield and Cheltenham, have been cancelled on each weekday between 29 March 2004 and 21 April 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service timetabled to depart either Cheltenham (for an 'up' service) or Caulfield (for a 'down' service).
- (3) Have any 'stopping all stations' services on the Frankston line exceeded 800 passengers on board at any one station as a result of these cancellations.

445 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train (or from 18 April 2004, Connex) services have been cancelled on the Sandringham line on each weekday between 29 March 2004 and 21 April 2004 inclusive.
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- (3) Have inbound passengers in the morning peak hour routinely been unable to board the next train at stations like Prahran as a result of such cancellations.

446 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train (or from 18 April 2004, Connex) services have been cancelled on the Dandenong, Pakenham and Cranbourne lines on each weekday between 29 March 2004 and 21 April 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Pakenham, Cranbourne or Dandenong (for an 'up' service).

447 **CONCRETE SLEEPERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What is the manufacturing cost of 160,000 broad gauge only concrete sleepers as used on the Bendigo upgrade.

- (2) What is the estimated manufacturing cost of 160,000 gauge convertible concrete sleepers.

448 **BIG HILL TUNNEL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What speed is presently allowed through the tunnel on the existing double track between Kyneton and Bendigo.
- (2) What would be the fastest safe speed for a 'V'locity' train through the tunnel if double track was retained in the exact position it is now and the track upgraded with concrete sleepers and 60 kg/m rail.
- (3) What is the predicted actual speed of trains through the tunnel once the upgrade is complete travelling —
 - (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.
- (4) If double track was retained through the tunnel and 'V'locity' trains slowed (if necessary) to the maximum safe speed through the tunnel, what would be the delay in seconds solely due to the tunnel speed restriction for trains travelling —
 - (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.

449 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What is the maximum speed a 'V'locity' train running on the high standard track specified for the Bendigo upgrade can reach without its predicted kinematic envelope exceeding the actual kinematic envelope of a Sprinter running at 130 km/h on the existing track.
- (2) If double track was retained and upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) track under Conlans Road Bridge at Taradale, what would be the maximum speed under the bridge of a 'V'locity' train that would be 'not less safe' than existing Sprinter trains passing under Conlans Road Bridge on the existing track at 130 km/h.
- (3) Between Elphinstone and Bendigo, what are the locations of the present 'up' track that will require removal in order to realign the existing 'down' track for higher speeds and, at each location, what speed will apply after the realignment, and what would be the maximum possible safe speed if double track was retained.
- (4) What time saving is achieved solely due to each section of realigned track between Elphinstone and Bendigo, and what is the total time saving between these locations due to realigned track.

- 450 **NARROW HERITAGE ROAD OVERBRIDGES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — with reference to the Bendigo Line Fast Rail Project 'Fact Sheet' (November 2003) and Regional Fast Rail Passenger Information Bulletin (February 2004), which both state that there are 28 narrow heritage road overbridges between Kyneton and Bendigo — what are the road names and locations of the seven narrow heritage road overbridges not shown in the Department of Infrastructure drawing No 214 11-004-01-043 which lists only the following 21 narrow heritage road overbridges — Harpers Lane, Flynn's Lane, Lasslett Street, Daylesford—Malmsbury Road, Boundary Road, Unnamed Road 105.737 km, Conlans Road, Railway Street (111.297 km), Railway Dam Road, Tunnel Hill Road, Railway Street (120.056 km), Eureka Street, Hitchcock Street, Ross Drive, Sawmill Road, Gaaschs Road, Old Calder Highway, Beilharz Road, Phillis Street, Hunter Street and Thistle Street.
- 451 **TRAIN LINE BETWEEN KYNETON AND BENDIGO** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) For each of the four sections of track to be singled between Kyneton and Bendigo, what proportion of the rail was manufactured prior to 1955.
 - (2) If double track was retained between Kyneton and Bendigo with one track upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) as well as the planned upgrade between Sydenham and Kyneton, and trains slowed if necessary for heritage structures, what would be the expected running time for a 'V'elocity' train running express from Sydenham to Bendigo.

QUESTION ASKED ON 22 APRIL 2004

- 452 **SANDRINGHAM TRAIN LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the frequency of train services on the Sandringham line —
- (1) What have been the number, and times, of train services disrupted or cancelled on weekdays between Sandringham and the city on a weekday basis between 1 March 2004 and 21 April 2004 inclusive.
 - (2) What have been the reasons for such disruptions and cancellations.
 - (3) By way of comparison, what has been the level of service reliability in percentage terms for services on the Sandringham line for the months of March 2003, March 2002 and March 2001.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 4 MAY 2004

- 453 **BUILDING APPROVAL FIGURES IN BAYSIDE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Planning — what have been the number of single dwelling approvals, dual occupancy approvals and multi-unit development approvals respectively on an annual basis for the City of Bayside for the period 1995–2004 to date.

- 454 **ADVERTISING EXPENDITURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — what was the total amount of expenditure across the whole of the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development for advertising promotions in 2002–2003.
- 455 **VICURBAN HOUSING ACCESS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what measures have been or will be put into place to ensure future housing developments by VicUrban are more accessible, for both entry and inside the dwelling, for people with a disability.
- 456 **VICURBAN GOOD FRIDAY APPEAL AUCTION** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what was the total amount of funds raised from the VicUrban house and land package auction for the Royal Children’s Hospital’s Good Friday Appeal in each of 2003 and 2004 for the —
- (1) Property in Lynbrook estate.
 - (2) Property in Cairnlea estate.
- 457 **MAJOR PROJECTS TENDER PROCESS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the Docklands Film and Television Studio Complex Project and the document ‘Docklands Studio Development — selection of preferred tenderer following request for tender submissions from short listed tenderers’, Section 2 ‘Receipt, storage and handling of tenders’ —
- (1) Were all tenders transferred from the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development to Major Projects Victoria for storage and evaluation; if not, why.
 - (2) Were all tenders kept in a locked room at Major Projects Victoria at all times unless they were being assessed; if so, what was the room and what type of lock was on the door for that room; if not, where were the tenders kept and what was the type of security/locking mechanism.
 - (3) Was a register of all people accessing the tenders maintained.
 - (4) Who maintained the register.
 - (5) How many times, on what dates, and by whom were the tenders accessed.
 - (6) If a register was not maintained, or was only partially maintained, why was this so.
 - (7) Who was the ‘authorised person’ supervising copying of tenders.
 - (8) Was a ‘tender movement control register’ maintained.
 - (9) How many copies of the tenders were made, on what dates and by whom.
 - (10) What were the reasons given in all cases for making copies.
 - (11) Was each copy numbered and initialised as required.

- (12) Who was the representative from Major Projects Victoria who maintained the 'movement control register'.
- (13) If the 'movement control register' was not established, why was this so.
- (14) If the 'movement control register' was not maintained in full, why was this so.

458 **SUBURBAN TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to train cancellations —

- (1) How many cancellations occurred on each line operated by Connex between 18 April and 24 April 2004 inclusive, and 25 April and 1 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What was the cause of each cancellation, by line.
- (3) How many of the cancellations on each line occurred for services scheduled to leave the originating station on —
 - (a) weekdays between 6.00 am and 9.00 am;
 - (b) weekdays between 3.30 pm and 7.00 pm;
 - (c) Saturday;
 - (d) Sunday.

459 **PUBLISHING TRAIN PUNCTUALITY STATISTICS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will Connex commence publicly reporting its punctuality and reliability statistics on a line-by-line basis rather than on a system-wide basis.

460 **YARRA TRAMS PUNCTUALITY AND RELIABILITY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Are there any plans for Yarra Trams to report its punctuality and reliability statistics on a line-by-line basis similar to the practice of the now defunct M>Train; if so, from what month will this occur.
- (2) What was the punctuality and reliability percentage performance for each tram route between 18 April and 30 April 2004.

461 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND RAILWAY BOOM GATES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many malfunctions of traffic lights installed in conjunction with railway boom barriers/flashing lights occurred between 1 March and 4 May 2004.

- (2) What was the longest delay applying between reporting to the VicRoads call centre, VicTrack switchboard, M>Train or Connex, and the traffic lights and boom barriers returning to normal operation.
- (3) At how many locations are combined traffic light and railway boom barriers or flashing lights installed —
 - (a) in metropolitan Melbourne;
 - (b) more than 60 kilometres from the GPO.

462 **WIDE ROPE BARRIERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many new installations of wire rope barriers along freeways or other roads have occurred in 2003–2004.
- (2) What was the location and cost of each installation.

463 **SOUTHERN AND EASTERN INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AUTHORITY STAFF** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport

- (1) How many staff employed at the Authority were employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.
- (2) What is the expected total for remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority in —
 - (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2004–2005.
- (3) How much has been expended in remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority to 4 May 2004.
- (4) During 2004–2005 what number of staff will be employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.

464 **KPMG CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many consultancies have been awarded to KPMG in 2003 and 2004 and, in respect of each, what was the nature, scope and cost.

- 465 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 466 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ and the injured person was a member of staff in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 467 **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many emergency notifications were sent by Emergency and Security Management where the type of incident included the word ‘assault’ in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 to each of —
- (1) Barwon South Western Region.
 - (2) Central Highlands Wimmera Region.
 - (3) Gippsland Region.
 - (4) Goulburn North Eastern Region.
 - (5) Loddon Campaspe Mallee Region.
 - (6) Eastern Metropolitan Region.
 - (7) Northern Metropolitan Region.
 - (8) Southern Metropolitan Region.
 - (9) Western Metropolitan Region.
- 468 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — which schools received capital upgrades in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 and what are the details of each capital upgrade.
- 469 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services —
- (1) How many, and which, schools campuses received capital upgrades in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
 - (2) What are the details of every capital upgrade.
- 470 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the Minister’s statement in the adjournment debate on 20 April 2004 that

capital upgrades reduce the cost of maintenance — how many new buildings are replacing severely ageing buildings (Physical Resources Management System (PRMS) rating 1–3).

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 MAY 2004

- 471 **FREQUENCY OF TRAINS ON SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — is the 20 minute frequency of rail services on the Sandringham line on Sunday evening still under review by Connex, in line with previously published M>Train timetables.
- 472 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) When are speed restrictions, slowing passenger trains between Sale and Bairnsdale, expected to be lifted.
 - (2) What is the current line speed for passenger trains between Traralgon and Sale.
 - (3) Do any railway bridges between Traralgon and Sale require replacement or urgent remedial work; if so —
 - (a) what is the likely cost for each location;
 - (b) when will the works be undertaken;
 - (c) what speed limits currently apply for passenger or freight trains at each location.
- 473 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) Apart from the bridge works previously publicised in the Leongatha area, have any contracts been entered into for works to reinstate regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains between —
 - (a) Ballarat, Maryborough and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
 - (2) If so —
 - (a) what was each contract for;
 - (b) with whom was it entered into;
 - (c) what amount was it for;
 - (d) when does each contract conclude.

- (3) When will regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains again run between —
- (a) Ballarat and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
- 474 **GAUGE STANDARDISATION PROJECT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how much would the project announced in 2001 at a cost of \$96 million, and subsequently deferred, cost in May 2004.
- 475 **IMPROVED ROAD SHOULDERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many kilometres of rural Victorian roads will receive improved shoulders in —
 - (a) 2004–2005;
 - (b) 2005–2006.
 - (2) What is the road name, locality and length in kilometres or hundreds of metres for each proposed improvement.
- 476 **V/LINE CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many claims for compensation has V/Line Passenger Pty Ltd, V/Line Passenger Corporation, VicTrip or the Department of Infrastructure received for V/Line's failure to meet punctuality targets in March 2004 on each corridor where this occurred.
 - (2) How much has been paid in compensation for claims made in March 2004 on each corridor.
- 477 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 55 — what are the names of each of the primary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.
- 478 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 — what are the names of each of the secondary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.
- 479 **YEARS 5–9 STUDENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the output described as 'Years 5–9 students opinion of their connectedness with school' in *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 —
- (1) What was the methodology for collecting this data.

- (2) What is it intended to measure.
- (3) What is the Department of Education and Training's interpretation of the result.
- (4) Are there any comparative measures or studies in other jurisdictions; if so —
 - (a) what are they;
 - (b) how does Victoria compare.

480 **YEARS 5–9 STUDENTS MEASURES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the outputs in *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 — what is the explanation for the difference between 'Years 5–9 students opinion of their connectedness with school' and the next measure, 'Years 5–9 students opinion of their motivation to learn'.

481 **NEW LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the measures in *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 — what were the 'new leadership programs' accessed by the eight additional principals last year.

482 **ESL IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the measure 'eligible students in regular schools receiving English as a Second Language (ESL) support in primary schools' —

482a Minister for Education Services

482b Minister for Education and Training

What is the reason almost nine per cent of eligible students miss out on ESL support.

483 **KOORI EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the 15 Koori educators employed —

483a Minister for Education Services

483b Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Where are they employed.
- (2) What are their duties.

484 **HOME LIAISON EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the six home liaison officers employed —

484a Minister for Education Services

484b Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Where are they employed.

- (2) What are their duties.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 11 MAY 2004

485 **CLEANING OF TRAIN STATIONS AND TRACKS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the high volume of litter, including bottles, food containers, plastic and other general rubbish, on the train tracks near Patterson station in early May —

- (1) When was this precinct last cleaned.
- (2) What is the frequency of programmed cleaning of both the station and the tracks.
- (3) What steps are being taken to improve the cleaning of railway land and to minimise littering.

486 **STATE DISABILITY PLAN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to page 47 of the State Disability Plan 2002–2012 which refers to the commitment of the Government to undertake a yearly review of the priority strategies and to publish reports that show the Government's progress —

- (1) Has the yearly review been completed; if so, what was the date of completion of the review and what were its findings.
- (2) Have the reports which show the Government's progress been completed; if so, what were the dates of completion of the reports and what were their findings.

487 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE COMPENSATION** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

487a Minister for Education and Training

487b Minister for Education Services

487c Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

- (1) Has the Government agreed to compensate the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people for allowing the Somerville Secondary College Campus to be built; if so, what form will this compensation take.
- (2) What agreement exists between any, and which, representatives of the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people.
- (3) What payments have been made to any, and which, of these representatives.
- (4) What changes to the school design will be made as a result of any such compensation agreements.

- 488 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 488a Minister for Education and Training
488b Minister for Education Services

- (1) Is it anticipated that the school will open with all portable/transportable classrooms.
- (2) Will there be a school oval.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 12 MAY 2004

- 489 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS BETWEEN CHELTENHAM AND CAULFIELD** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services scheduled to run express between Cheltenham and Caulfield, or Caulfield and Cheltenham, have been cancelled on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service timetabled to depart either Cheltenham (for an 'up' service) or Caulfield (for a 'down' service).
- (3) Have some 'stopping all stations' services on the Frankston line exceeded 800 passengers on board at any one station as a result of these cancellations.

- 490 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Sandringham line on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Sandringham (for an 'up' service).
- (3) Have passengers in the morning peak hour routinely been unable to board the next train at stations like Prahran as a result of these cancellations.

- 491 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON DANDENONG, PAKENHAM AND CRANBOURNE LINES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Dandenong, Pakenham and Cranbourne lines on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart Flinders Street or Dandenong (for a 'down' service) or Pakenham, Cranbourne or Dandenong (for an 'up' service).

- 492 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training — since 1 May 2004, has the Department of Education and Training's Gippsland Regional Director or any, and which, other officer met the School Council of Traralgon South Primary School to discuss the upgrade of their classrooms to permanent structures; if so, what are the results of those discussions.
- 493 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL'S 'SCHOOLYARD BLITZ'** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — will Traralgon South Primary School receive funds under the 'Schoolyard Blitz' program; if not, why.

QUESTION ASKED ON 13 MAY 2004

- 494 **BOAT LAUNCHING RAMPS ON PORT PHILLIP BAY** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the siltation around a number of boat launching ramps on Port Phillip Bay —
- (1) Which level of Government is responsible for dredging sand around boat launching ramps.
 - (2) Which level of Government is responsible for the area to the low water mark.
 - (3) Which level of Government is responsible for the area between the low water mark and the high water mark.
 - (4) What arrangements are in place to dredge or remove the sand around the Black Rock launching ramp at Half Moon Bay and what is the time frame for such works to be undertaken.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 MAY 2004

- 495 **BIRRALEE PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the growth in student numbers at the school in the last five years under the leadership of its principal, Ashley Ryan —
- (1) Is the school under entitlement in any, and which, areas.
 - (2) Is the school under entitlement for the —
 - (a) administration area;
 - (b) sick bay;
 - (c) staff areas.
 - (3) If the school is under any entitlement, what plans does the Government have for providing funding to the school to do the necessary works.

- (4) What is the Government's response to school's request for a staff administration upgrade as part of the minor capital works program in the current financial year.
- 496 **MELBOURNE WHOLESALE MARKET** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to the redevelopment and relocation of the market —
- (1) On what day will a decision be made relating to the new site for the market.
- (2) Has a business case study on remaining on the existing site been undertaken, and —
- (a) if so, what are the results;
- (b) if not, why.
- (3) Can the Minister guarantee that no wholesaler currently operating at the market will be worse off from the relocation.
- 497 **SANDRINGHAM RAILWAY LINE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to train cancellations and delays on the Sandringham line —
- (1) How many cancellations occurred on this line operated by Connex from 1 May 2004.
- (2) What was the cause of each cancellation.
- (3) How many of the cancellations occurred for services scheduled to leave the originating station on —
- (a) weekdays between 6.00 am and 9.00 am;
- (b) weekdays between 3.30 pm and 7.00 pm.
- (4) What is the percentage of train services delayed on this line from 1 May 2004.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 26 MAY 2004

- 498 **TAFE FEES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to Mark Latham's promise to abolish Tertiary and Further Education (TAFE) fees for secondary school students and his statement on the ABC *7:30 Report* on 12 May 2004 that Jenny Macklin has received the approval of the states and territories for this proposal —
- 498a Minister for Education and Training
- 498b Minister for Education Services
- (1) Has Jenny Macklin spoken to the Minister about this proposal.
- (2) If so —

- (a) when were these discussions undertaken;
- (b) when was the abolition of any TAFE fees first discussed;
- (c) how many/what proportion of school students actually pay TAFE fees;
- (d) what fees are proposed to be paid by —
 - (i) students doing Vocational Education and Training (VET) in schools;
 - (ii) students doing a year 12 equivalent;
- (e) will the Government pick up the cost of the TAFE fees or will the student be required to pay, if a student drops out of secondary school;
- (f) will the Government abolish fees for school-based new apprentices;
- (g) does a student who starts a school-based new apprenticeship in year 12, and the fee is abolished, have to pay TAFE fees in the second year;
- (h) will the proposal also cover early enrolment in TAFE degrees, worth up to \$12,000 a place;
- (i) what will be the impact on State revenue;
- (j) how much compensation will the State receive for each TAFE fee abolished.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 MAY 2004

- 499 **FAULTY TRAM TICKET VALIDATORS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) Were OneLink tram ticket validators with serial numbers 034-03300 and 034-02035 displaying 'Invalid' when commuters inserted their tram tickets on a Port Melbourne bound route 109 service that passed Parliament House at about 8.20 am on 27 May 2004.
 - (2) Were the same validators displaying a green indication at their top at the same time as showing 'Invalid' when tickets were inserted.
 - (3) Are such instances of validators not functioning for this reason reported in *Track Record* each quarter.
 - (4) How many instances of this type of fault occurred —
 - (a) between January and March 2004;
 - (b) in April 2004;
 - (c) in May 2004 to date.

500 **TRAM TICKET VALIDATORS AND VENDING MACHINES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many instances of 'Wrong Zone' readings when valid Zone 1 tram tickets were inserted into onboard tram validators while the tram was travelling within Zone 1 were there on each of route 109, route 75 and route 86 in each of —
 - (a) January to March 2004;
 - (b) April 2004;
 - (c) May 2004 to date.
- (2) How many instances of 'Wrong Zone' readings when valid Zone 2 tram tickets were inserted into onboard tram validators while the tram was travelling within Zone 2 were there on each of route 109, route 75 and route 86 in each of —
 - (a) January to March 2004;
 - (b) April 2004;
 - (c) May 2004 to date.
- (3) Does such a fault require OneLink technicians to attend the tram to correct the fault or can the OneLink validators be reset by the tram driver.
- (4) Is any time specified in the OneLink or Yarra Trams contracts within which a technician must attend to reported faults affecting onboard tram ticket vending machines or onboard tram validators, where the tram is in revenue service when the fault is reported.
- (5) How many faults with OneLink onboard tram ticket vending machines have occurred in —
 - (a) April 2004;
 - (b) May 2004 to date.
- (6) How many faults with OneLink onboard tram validators have occurred in —
 - (a) April 2004;
 - (b) May 2004 to date.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 1 JUNE 2004

501 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS BETWEEN CHELTENHAM AND CAULFIELD** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services scheduled to run express between Cheltenham and Caulfield, or Caulfield and Cheltenham, have been cancelled on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service timetabled to depart either Cheltenham (for an 'up' service) or Caulfield (for a 'down' service).
- (3) Have some 'stopping all stations' services on the Frankston line exceeded 800 passengers on board at any one station as a result of these cancellations.

502 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Sandringham line on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Sandringham (for an 'up' service).
- (3) Have passengers in the morning peak hour routinely been unable to board the next train at stations like Prahran as a result of these cancellations.

503 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON DANDENONG, PAKENHAM AND CRANBOURNE LINES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Dandenong, Pakenham and Cranbourne lines on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart Flinders Street or Dandenong (for a 'down' service) or Pakenham, Cranbourne or Dandenong (for an 'up' service).

504 **TRAVELLING WITHOUT A VALID TICKET ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What percentage of journeys are estimated to have been made without a valid ticket between 18 April 2004 and 1 June 2004 on each of —
 - (a) Connex;
 - (b) Yarra Trams;
 - (c) V/Line;
 - (d) Melbourne's private bus operators.
- (2) What amount of revenue has been lost for each of the four modes or operators as a result.

505 **FARE PAYING STUDENTS ON SCHOOL BUSES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Education Services —

- (1) How many students were approved to travel as fare paying passengers on school buses in Victoria in 2003.
- (2) How much revenue was collected from the students.
- (3) Which government department was the beneficiary of the revenue raised.

NEW QUESTION

QUESTION ASKED ON 3 JUNE 2004

506 **ELETRONIC ELECTIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Premier — has the Premier considered the email dated 27 May 2004 of Anthony van der Craats asking that there be a review into 'the conduct and scrutiny of electronic elections and the role of Victorian Electoral Commission amidst concerns that its software technology fails to meet basic industry standard'; if so, what is the Premier's response.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 65

Tuesday 24 August 2004

507 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN STATE FORESTS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by the Department of Sustainability and Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Buckwong Hut No 1, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built for Gibsons.
- (2) Buckwong Hut No 2, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built by Rusty Connley.
- (3) Carmody's Hut, Wild Boar Range.
- (4) Centenary Mine Hut (Centennial), Guns Creek, West branch of Ovens River above Harrietville.
- (5) Dunstan Logging Huts, Dunstans Logging Road, 0.5 kilometres east of Upper Papas Track —
 - (a) No 1;
 - (b) No 2;
 - (c) No 3;
 - (d) No 4;
 - (e) No 5.
- (6) Gibson's (Old) Hut, Walkers Logging Track, Elliots, Damm Track.
- (7) Mt Selwyn Hut, Mt Selwyn.
- (8) Mulhauser Mine Hut, Bogong Saddle.
- (9) Shower Block Hut, Tee Tree Range Road, Humffray River State Forest.

508 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN ALPINE NATIONAL PARK** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts in Alpine National Park managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Bogong Creek No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.

- (2) Bogong Creek No 2, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (3) Batty's Hut, New Country Spur north of Mt Nelse, Batty Spur.
- (4) Bogong Aqueduct No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (5) Bogong Aqueduct No 5, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (6) Burnside Hut, Burnside Creek, Knocker Track.
- (7) Charlie Creek Hut, Davics Plain Track, Charlie Creek.
- (8) Dr Searles Hut, Gibbo River Junction.
- (9) Federation Hut, Bungalow Spur west of Mt Feathertop.
- (10) Huggins (Honeymoon) Hut, Buckety Plain area.
- (11) MacFarlanes Flat Hut, MacFarlanes Flat — built by Buff.
- (12) McNamara's Hut, Buckety Plain.
- (13) Michell Hut, Eskdale Spur.
- (14) Mt Benambra Fire Tower, Mt Benambra.
- (15) Mussurie Hut, near Pluto Creek, Gibbo River Junction.
- (16) Quintet Mine Hut No 1, Swindlers Spur.
- (17) Quintet Mine Hut No 2, Swindlers Spur.
- (18) Red Hut, Rocky Valley Creek, Roper Saddle.
- (19) Red Robin Battery Hut, West Kiewa River.
- (20) Ropers Hut, Duane Spur.
- (21) Sheever Spur, Dartmouth.
- (22) Springs Saddle Hut, Mt Fainter.
- (23) Sykes Dogman's Hut, New Yard Flat.
- (24) West Humffray Hut, West Humffray Road, Barry Range.

509 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN NATIONAL PARKS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Bon Accord Hut, Bon Accord Spur north of Mt Hotham.
- (2) Briggs Logging Camp Hut (West Kiewa), West Kiewa River west of Mt Fainter.
- (3) Red Robin Mine Hut, North of Mt Loch, Machinery Spur.
- (4) Reservoir Hut, Crystal Brook Reservoir, Mt Buffalo National Park.

510 **CONDITION OF HUTS ON CROWN LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Euco Stephenson's Hut, Nine Mile Creek, near Eight Mile Loop Track.
- (2) Long Plain Hut, Limestone, south of Dead Horse Creek.
- (3) Worcester Mine Hut, Bingo, via Omeo.

511 **CONDITION OF HUT AT MT HOTHAM** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of the Damm Hut, 50 metres north of Alpine Road, Dungay Hollow, on Mt Hotham Resort and if it has not been rebuilt what is the timeline for its reconstruction.

512 **REVIEW OF ACCELERATED LEARNING** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to an article, which appeared on page 15 of the *Mordialloc Chelsea Leader* on 18 August 2004, in which a spokesperson for the Minister announced that the Government will undertake a three-year review of accelerated learning programs across the state — what are the terms of reference of the review and who will be conducting it.

513 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT** — Ms Asher to ask the following ministers with reference to Mr Neil O'Keefe and the Melbourne Showgrounds redevelopment project —

513a Minister for Agriculture

513b Minister for Major Projects

- (1) On what date did Mr O'Keefe, former Chair of the Joint Venture of the Showgrounds redevelopment project, resign.
- (2) On what date was the Minister advised of Mr O'Keefe's resignation.
- (3) What was the reason for Mr O'Keefe's resignation.

514 **TAXES IMPOSED ON BUSINESSES IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to businesses located in postcodes 3186 (Brighton) and 3187 (Brighton East) —

- (1) How many businesses were levied with pay-roll tax in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.

- (2) What was the total value of pay-roll tax for each postcode in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.

- (3) How many individuals and businesses were levied with land tax in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.

- (4) What was the total value of land tax for each postcode in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.

515 **SYNCHROTRON PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Innovation —

- (1) What was the total amount of funding contributed by the company MiniFAB to the project.

- (2) What was the total amount of funding contributed by the company MiniFAB to the Beamlines for the project.

- 516 **BROKEN PROMENADE SEA WALL** — Mr Thomson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the broken promenade sea wall proximate to Third Street, Black Rock —
- (1) What assessment has been made of the cost of repairs.
 - (2) What is the timeframe for the repair of the wall.
 - (3) What steps have been taken to minimise a cost escalation of the repair works due to any inaction on the part of the Government.
- 517 **V/LINE BEAUFORT AND ARARAT STRANDED PASSENGERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — have there been any occasions at Ballarat where passengers for Beaufort or Ararat have been left stranded sitting in a 'Sprinter' railcar that has been detached from the portion of the train proceeding to Ararat; if so —
- (1) On what dates did any such instance occur.
 - (2) Has V/Line used taxis or other vehicles to carry passengers when this has occurred; if so, what was the cost on each occasion.
- 518 **CESSATION OF WEST COAST RAIL SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) Since West Coast Rail ceased operating the service in May 2004, how many single journey scheduled rail services on the Geelong-Colac-Warrnambool corridor have been operated by —
 - (a) trains;
 - (b) road coaches.
 - (2) Has patronage of the service declined since it became a mix of train and coaches; if so, by what percentage.
 - (3) Will V/Line operate the same number of package tours to Warrnambool and beyond as West Coast Rail has previously.
 - (4) How many adult passengers, in each direction, does V/Line hope to carry each year on the South Geelong-Colac-Warrnambool rail service.
 - (5) How many concession passengers, in each direction, does V/Line hope to carry each year on the South Geelong-Colac-Warrnambool rail service.
- 519 **V/LINE 'V'LOCITY' RAILCARS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the new 'V'locity' railcars —
- (1) What provisions do the new railcars have for powering laptop computers.

- (2) How many of the 144 seats per set will have access to such provisions.
- (3) What is the seat pitch in centimetres on the 'V'locity' railcars and how does this compare to 'Sprinters', an 'ACN' and a 'BN' class carriage.

520 **TRAFFIC CONTROLLER JOBS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Metropolitan South East, Metropolitan North West, Eastern, Northeastern, Southwestern and Western regional areas — how many of the VicRoads 'traffic controller' jobs in each of October 2002 and October 2003 were related to —

- (1) Traffic signal.
- (2) Major signal fault.
- (3) Hardware failure.
- (4) Causing traffic delay.
- (5) Accident damage.
- (6) Graffiti.
- (7) Programmed works.
- (8) Other damage such as vandalism.
- (9) Other matters.

521 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What has been the expenditure since 6 May 2004 on restoring passenger services to the rail lines —
 - (a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.
- (2) When will regular V/Line services commence operation on the rail lines —
 - (a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.

522 **LOCOMOTIVE REPAIR** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the V/Line 'N' class locomotive that broke down at Euroa while running the 6.35 am train from Albury on Tuesday 17 August 2004 —

- (1) What has been or is expected to be the cost of repairs to the locomotive.

- (2) How long is the locomotive expected to be out of service.

523 **CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION FOR LATE SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to claims for compensation that V/Line Passenger Services Pty Ltd, V/Line Passenger Corporation, Metlink or the Department of Infrastructure received for V/Line's failure to meet punctuality targets —

- (1) How many claims for compensation were received in each month between April 2004 and July 2004 on each corridor.
- (2) How much has been paid in compensation for each month between April 2004 and July 2004 on each corridor.

524 **ASSESSMENT OF BOONERWRUNG INTERESTS FROM GEOLOGICAL AND TERRITORIAL PERSPECTIVES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs with reference to the report titled '*Assessment of Boonerwung interests from geological and territorial perspectives*' prepared by Dr Clark of the Department of Justice —

- (1) What was the cost of the report.
- (2) For what purpose was it prepared.
- (3) To date, why has access to the report been restricted.

525 **ANTIBES STREET/SEVENTH STREET UPGRADES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Minister's Press Release dated 1 November 2002 in which he stated that upgrades would be carried out in 2003 at Antibes Street/Seventh Street, Parkdale —

- (1) What is the current status of the Government's election promise to put in a state of the art crossover at the end of Seventh Avenue, Parkdale.
- (2) Why have the works not been completed.
- (3) What plans does the Government have to fulfil its election promise and what date will the project be completed.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 66

Thursday 26 August 2004

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 FEBRUARY 2003

- 4 **ENTERPRISE BARGAINING AGREEMENT — UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the agreement signed with the Country Fire Authority (CFA) and the Metropolitan Fire Emergency Services Board (MFESB) —
- (1) What is the total additional financial impact of the agreement on the budget of each of the CFA and the MFESB, in dollar and percentage terms, for the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
 - (2) What is the direct additional budgetary contribution of the State Government, in dollar and percentage terms, towards such increased expenditures in each of the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
- 5 **VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002.
- 8 **COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002 —
- How many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria.
- (1) How many tankers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (2) What was the average age (years of service) of the tankers deployed.
 - (3) How many pumpers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (4) What was the average age (years of service) of pumpers deployed.
- 9 **ACTIVE COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY PERSONNEL** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002, what was the number of active Country Fire Authority —

- (1) Volunteers.
 - (2) Career firefighters.
- 10 **ACTIVE VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many active volunteers were there as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002.
- 11 **EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISE (CORE)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Corrections, as at 31 December 1999, 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002, what was —
- (1) The total number of effective full-time employees.
 - (2) The actual cost of employee remuneration and entitlements.

QUESTION ASKED ON 27 FEBRUARY 2003

- 36 **GOVERNMENT'S DIGITAL MEDIA FUND** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —
- (1) What amount has MediaNet received from the fund.
 - (2) On what date did MediaNet receive this amount.

QUESTION ASKED ON 25 MARCH 2003

- 77 **MITCHAM/FRANKSTON FREEWAY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How much has already been expended on land acquisition for the Freeway.
 - (2) How much of this funding came from —
 - (a) VicRoads;
 - (b) the Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) the Commonwealth Government; and
 - (d) other sources.
 - (3) With reference to the acquisition of parcels of land over 100 square metres —
 - (a) how many remain to be acquired for the Freeway;

- (b) which suburb is each parcel of land located in;
- (c) what is the size of each parcel;
- (d) what are the nearest cross streets or other identifiers;
- (e) what is the total estimated cost of the remaining land acquisitions; and
- (f) what is the proposed timetable for each of the land acquisitions yet to be completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 29 APRIL 2003

147 **BUSINESS INNOVATION WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Business Innovation Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$240,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

148 **EXPORT VALUE CHAIN NETWORKS AND CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Value Chain Networks and Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 149 **FINANCE FOR GROWTH** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Finance for Growth funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$60,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 150 **FIRST STEP EXPORT PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the First Step Export Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 151 **GLOBAL PURCHASING STRATEGY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Global Purchasing Strategy funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 152 **GOING GLOBAL** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Going Global funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 153 **HIGH PERFORMANCE MANUFACTURING CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the High Performance Manufacturing Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$190,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 154 **INDUSTRY CAPABILITY MISSIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Industry Capability Missions funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$930,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 155 **INNOVATION INSIGHTS VISITS PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Innovation Insights Visits Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 156 **KEYNOTE CONFERENCE AND SEMINARS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to keynote conference and seminars funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 157 **NEW TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to new technology demonstrations funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$310,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 158 **PARTNERS AT WORK (HIGH PERFORMANCE WORKPLACES)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Partners at Work (High Performance Workplaces) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$900,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 159 **PROMOTING THE IMAGE OF MANUFACTURING AND MANUFACTURING HALL OF FAME** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to promoting the Image of Manufacturing and Manufacturing Hall of Fame funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$500,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 160 **STRATEGIC AUDIT OF VICTORIAN INDUSTRY PLANS IMPLEMENTATION (PARTNERS AT WORK)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Strategic Audit of Victorian Industry Plans implementation (Partners at Work) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$1,600,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and

- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

161 **SCHOLARSHIPS IN AREAS OF FUTURE SKILLS NEEDS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Scholarships in Areas of Future Skills Needs funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

162 **TECHNOLOGY EVALUATION PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Evaluation Projects funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

163 **TECHNOLOGY ROADMAP AND SKILLS STUDIES** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Roadmap and Skills Studies funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;

- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 164 **VALUE CHAIN WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Value Chain Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$160,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 165 **EXPORT COMMUNICATION NETWORK** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Communication Network funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$410,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

QUESTION ASKED ON 8 MAY 2003

- 183 **INQUIRY INTO PAST ADOPTION PRACTICES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Community Services — when does the Government propose to honour its 1999 election commitment to hold a Parliamentary inquiry into past adoption practices, particularly in the period after the second world war until the proclamation of the *Adoption Act 1984*.

QUESTION ASKED ON 20 MAY 2003

186 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) CABINET SUBCOMMITTEE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

186b Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

With reference to the Minister for Information and Communication Technology's announcement of 6 May 2003 of a new Government ICT strategy subcommittee of Cabinet to be chaired by the Premier, in recognition of the strategic importance of ICT —

- (1) Who is on the subcommittee.
- (2) Who will service and/or advise the subcommittee.
- (3) What are the duties of the subcommittee.

QUESTION ASKED ON 4 JUNE 2003

209 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the breakdown of the \$660 million that the Government has committed to ICT, as stated in the media release of 17 October 2002 entitled *Victoria's Information Technology Report*, including details of each component of the \$660 million and individual expenditure items within each component.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 26 AUGUST 2003

230 **MAINTENANCE FOR POINT NEPEAN DEFENCE LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for the Environment — from where will the promised \$10–\$15 million maintenance funding for the land be sourced.

240 **CeBIT AMERICA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — how much funding was provided to each of the five Victorian companies that attended CeBIT America, an information technology trade fair, in New York this year.

241 **E-COMMERCE ROADSHOWS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to e-commerce roadshows —

- (1) How many have taken place between 1 June 2002 and 26 August 2003.
- (2) What was the location and date of each.

- (3) What was the cost of each.
- 243 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SYNCHROTRON** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Innovation — has the Government sought financial assistance or support from the Commonwealth Government in relation to the construction of the Synchrotron or for beamline funding; if so, when was this request made.
- 244 **GROWING TOMORROW'S INDUSTRIES TODAY STATEMENT** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to the statement and the targets for information and communication technologies — which companies contributed to the 800 new jobs created in Victoria last year and what was the number each contributed.
- 245 **MULTIMEDIA VICTORIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —
- (1) What is the total number of full-time equivalent staff within Multimedia Victoria as at 26 August 2003.
 - (2) How will Multimedia Victoria —
 - (a) improve the operation of business and government;
 - (b) increase the use of information and communication technologies by Victorians;
 - (c) reduce the inequity in the use of information and communication technologies across Victoria; and
 - (d) grow the information industries sector.
- 246 **TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM FUNDING** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the total amount of funding provided by the Government since 2000, the name of each recipient and the amount received by each recipient under the —
- (1) Customer Access Network Demonstration Program.
 - (2) E-Commerce Exhibition Projects Program.
 - (3) E-gaps funding.
 - (4) Skills.net funding.
 - (5) Next Wave Program.
 - (6) My Connected Community program.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 AUGUST 2003

¹238 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

238aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

238ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

²239 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

239aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 July 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

247 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for WorkCover —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001, with the exception of the Transport Accident Commission and the Victorian WorkCover Authority where the commencement date should be from 1 July 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

¹ Question published in substitution of No 238 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

² Question published in substitution of No 239 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2003

- 255 **CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE IN LANGUAGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of three centres of excellence in languages —
- (1) Where will the centres be established.
 - (2) When will the centres be established.
 - (3) Who will have access to these facilities.
 - (4) Who will not have access to these facilities.
 - (5) What will be the eligibility criteria.
 - (6) What will be the indicators of success.
 - (7) What will be the languages taught at each centre.
 - (8) Against what criteria will the languages be selected.
 - (9) What programs and facilities will these centres offer.
 - (10) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 256 **VICTORIAN SCHOOLS OF LANGUAGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of an additional five Victorian schools of languages —
- (1) What new programs or resources will these schools provide compared with the existing School of Languages.
 - (2) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 257 **ACCESS TO EXCELLENCE PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What is the working definition of 'excellence' for the purpose of the program.
 - (2) What are the factors inhibiting teenagers' engagement at school which the program will address and how will the program address these problems.
 - (3) What methods will be used to gauge the effectiveness of the program on teenage engagement.

- (4) What criteria defines an approach as 'locally relevant' and who will undertake this assessment and make the determination.
- (5) What criteria will be applied to determine if an approach is 'innovative'.
- (6) Which programs have been deemed not to be 'innovative'.
- (7) Which schools classify as schools in need of 'assistance to achieve outcomes' for the purposes of the program.
- (8) Who in the Department of Education and Training makes these determinations.
- (9) What are the criteria used to determine these decisions.
- (10) What outcomes will the program help these schools achieve.
- (11) What methods will be used to measure performance.
- (12) What will be the ratio of teachers to students within the program.
- (13) How many additional hours of contact on a per student basis does the program anticipate per year.
- (14) What method or methods will be used to measure the effectiveness in the schools involved in this project of the 300 additional teachers in the system with reference to their impact on —
 - (a) absenteeism;
 - (b) literacy levels;
 - (c) numeracy levels;
 - (d) retention rates; and
 - (e) post-school transition.

259 **CLASS ROOM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the \$14 million already spent on the relocatable class room upgrade program — what precise works was the \$14 million allocation spent on.

260 **SCHOOL INTRUDER LAWS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the announcement by the New South Wales Government of new school intruder laws that will 'see people who enter schools and intimidate teachers and pupils face five new offences and a sentence of up to 12 years imprisonment' —

- (1) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers in total were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.

- (2) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers by intruders or visitors on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (3) How many incidences of intimidation of teachers by students on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (4) How many incidences of assault of teachers in total were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
 - (5) How many incidences of assault of teachers by students on school premises were reported to the Department in 2003 to date.
- 263 **SCHOOLS TV PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 83 received on 26 August 2003 — what were the results of the last regular evaluation of the performance and effectiveness of Schools' Television.
- 264 **SCHOOL MAINTENANCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 84 received on 26 August 2003 — what are the priority zero items in the 2000 audit which have not been funded.
- 265 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) When did the review commence.
 - (2) What are the time-lines for such a review.
 - (3) Who will conduct the review.
 - (4) What documents have been produced by those conducting the review and are any of these public documents.
 - (5) What documents have been prepared for those conducting the review and are any of these public documents.
- 266 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 — what reports does the Minister have on the cost-benefit analysis of installing sprinklers in —
- (1) Existing schools.
 - (2) New schools.
 - (3) Portables.

- 267 **ALBERT PARK, BAYSIDE, COPPERFIELD, CRAIGIEBURN, EPPING, FERNTREE, HEATHERHILL, LALOR NORTH, RESERVOIR DISTRICT AND SOUTH OAKLEIGH SECONDARY COLLEGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 108a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the precise protocols for public release of data referred to, when were they last reviewed and by whom.
- 274 **CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 135b received on 26 August 2003 — what are the names of the regular schools which have more than 30 students who receive additional funding through the Program for Students with Disabilities.
- 276 **CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON CATHOLIC SCHOOL GROUNDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 172b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) In each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
 - (a) how many criminal activities reports were made by catholic schools to the Department of Education and Training; and
 - (b) what are the details of the types and numbers of criminal activities.
 - (2) Were there any schools or geographic areas where the number of reports were significantly higher than the average.
- 277 **CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL GROUNDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 172b received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) In each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date —
 - (a) how many criminal activities reports were made by independent schools to the Department of Education and Training; and
 - (b) what are the details of the types and numbers of criminal activities.
 - (2) Were there any schools or geographic areas where the number of reports were significantly higher than the average.
- 280 **TEACHER OFFENCES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 173c received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) For each of 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002 and 2003 to date, how many teachers were found to have breached their duty of trust to students.
 - (2) What are the bases for such findings, and how many of the said teachers were removed for each such reason.

- 285 **VICTORIAN STUDENT ASSESSMENT MONITOR (VSAM)** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 188a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) Has the study being carried out by RMIT Test Lab been completed and what are the results.
 - (2) Is there a written report and will it be made available publicly.
- 286 **FRAMEWORK FOR STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 185b received on 26 August 2003 — has there been any audit or review of the student welfare and curriculum teams; if yes, what are the results.
- 297 **COMPLETION OF LYNBROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located south east of Dandenong —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 298 **COMPLETION OF 'CHEESE FACTORY' PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located at Centre Road, Berwick —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 299 **COMPLETION OF STRATHAIRD PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Narre Warren South —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 300 **COMPLETION OF ROXBURGH PARK NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Narre Warren South —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.

- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

301 **COMPLETION OF JAMIESON WAY PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Point Cook —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

302 **COMPLETION OF TRUGANINA SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north of Werribee —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

303 **COMPLETION OF TARNEIT PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north west of Werribee —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

304 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

305 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES SECONDARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —

- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

- 306 **COMPLETION OF LAURIMAR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located near Yan Yean —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 307 **COMPLETION OF EPPING NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 308 **COMPLETION OF CAROLINE SPRINGS SCHOOL YEARS 9–12 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 310 **COMPLETION OF WALLAN YEARS 7–8 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 311 **SOMERVILLE YEARS 7–10 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — what works have been undertaken.
- 312 **CAROLINE SPRINGS PREP TO YEAR 8 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — what works have been undertaken.
- 313 **SCHOOLYARD BLITZ PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 59 received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) What plans and consultations have been undertaken under this program.

- (2) What are the details on the proposed implementation of this program other than the fact that it appears in the Government's election policy document.

314 **RURAL CAMPUS LEARNING PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 57 received on 26 August 2003 —

- (1) What plans and consultations have been undertaken in respect of this program.
- (2) What are the details of the program.

315 **MINISTERIAL TRIPS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

315a Minister for Education and Training

315b Minister for Education Services

- (1) What overseas and interstate trips on ministerial business has the Minister undertaken since the 2002 election.
- (2) What were the purposes of each such trip.

319 **SCHOOL INFORMATION FOR NON-CUSTODIAL PARENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

319b Minister for Education Services

- (1) What is the Government's policy on the right of access to school information for non-custodial parents.
- (2) When was this policy last updated.
- (3) What guidelines are there on this matter.

321 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — has any money been committed; if yes, on what.

322 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — what works have been undertaken.

323 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — are there any guidelines under which areas of specialisation for each local community will be determined.

- 324 **FACILITIES FOR EXCELLENCE** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 56 received on 26 August 2003 — have any new facilities for innovative programs been implemented; if so, where and against what criteria is innovation measured.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 7 OCTOBER 2003

- 329 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the article 'School blaze costs \$1m' by Cameron Smith and Jeremy Calvert in the *Herald Sun* of Tuesday 23 September 2003 and the comment therein — "But last night, Government spokesman Tim Mitchell said sprinklers will not necessarily save schools from fire. 'It will cost the taxpayer \$250 million to install fire sprinklers in all of Victoria's 1600 schools,' Mr Mitchell said. He said the Bracks Government was developing a fire strategy and would make an announcement about it in the coming months" and with further reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 — on what factual basis did Mr Tim Mitchell make the assertion 'It will cost the taxpayer \$250 million to install fire sprinklers in all of Victoria's 1600 schools'.
- 333 **MARYBOROUGH EDUCATION PRECINCT MASTER-PLAN** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 129a received on 26 August 2003 — how many school principals will be employed.
- 334 **CONDUCT AND ETHICS BRANCH OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article in the *Herald Sun* of 25 September 2003 entitled 'Job cuts may help teacher pedophiles' which said, in part, 'The State Government's plan to weed out pedophiles from schools could be hindered by their own job cuts. The Education Department's conduct and ethics branch employs 10 staff whose roles include checking some teachers' police records and doing background checks on non-teaching staff. The conduct and ethics branch, as part of the department's central office, is in the firing line of a restructure announced by Education Minister Lynne Kosky last month, which will slash about 330 Education Department jobs' — is any change to the branch planned; if so, what is it and why is it being done.

QUESTION ASKED ON 8 OCTOBER 2003

- 343 **V/LINE FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What was the amount collected in farebox revenue for V/Line Passenger rail and coach services in Victoria and interstate in each of 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 through the sale of —
- (a) ordinary adult single tickets;
 - (b) ordinary adult return tickets;

- (c) weekly adult tickets;
- (d) date-to-date adult tickets;
- (e) discounted weekday adult return tickets;
- (f) discounted weekend adult return tickets;
- (g) concession single tickets;
- (h) concession return tickets; and
- (i) other tickets.

(2) What was the total V/Line farebox revenue in 2002–2003 derived from sales of tickets that included a journey commencing or terminating at:

- (a) Geelong;
- (b) North Geelong;
- (c) South Geelong;
- (d) North Shore;
- (e) Corio;
- (f) Lara;
- (g) Little River;
- (h) Ballarat;
- (i) Ballan;
- (j) Heathcote Junction;
- (k) Wandong;
- (l) Kilmore East;
- (m) Broadford;
- (n) Tallarook;
- (o) Seymour;
- (p) Avenel;
- (q) Euroa;
- (r) Clarkefield;

- (s) Riddells Creek;
 - (t) Gisborne;
 - (u) Macedon;
 - (v) Woodend; and
 - (w) Kyneton.
- (3) What percentage of V/Line journeys are made by passengers who pay an adult fare, whether or not that fare is at the ordinary rate or calculated at a periodical or discounted rate.
- (4) What trends, if any, are evident in farebox revenue in 2003–2004 to date.
- (5) How many passenger journeys were made on the V/Line network in 2002–2003 beyond the inter-urban boundaries of—
- (a) South Geelong;
 - (b) Kyneton;
 - (c) Ballarat;
 - (d) Seymour; and
 - (e) Traralgon.
- (6) How much farebox revenue was derived in 2002–2003 from passenger journeys made on all V/Line coach services.
- (7) How much revenue was derived in 2002–2003 from V/Line Passenger journeys made on longer distance rail services operating beyond the inter-urban area to locations such as Albury, Swan Hill and Sale, excluding inter-urban journeys such as Melbourne to Seymour made on these services.

QUESTION ASKED ON 14 OCTOBER 2003

344 **TEACHER RELEASE TO INDUSTRY PROGRAM** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training —

- (1) What has been the funding commitment to the Program for 1998–1999, 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004.
- (2) How many teachers participated in the Program for the period 1998 to 2003.
- (3) What were the range of industries in which the teachers were involved.

- (4) What evaluation has been undertaken of the Program and what were the chief recommendations.
- (5) What is the Government's funding commitment for 2004.

QUESTION ASKED ON 15 OCTOBER 2003

350 **FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for the Transport — what was the farebox revenue collected in each of 2001–2002 and 2002–2003 for each of Zone 1, Zone 2, Zone 3, Zones 1+2, Zones 2+3 and Zones 1+2+3 in Melbourne's public transport system for the following ticket types —

- (1) Adult 2 hour.
- (2) Adult daily.
- (3) Adult weekly.
- (4) Adult monthly.
- (5) Adult yearly.
- (6) Concession 2 hour.
- (7) Concession daily (excluding 60-plus).
- (8) Concession weekly.
- (9) Concession monthly.
- (10) Concession yearly.
- (11) Adult short trip (Zone 1 only).
- (12) Adult rail plus two (Zone 1 only).
- (13) Adult two hour x 10.
- (14) Concession two hour x 10.
- (15) Adult short trip x 10.
- (16) Concession short trip x 10.
- (17) 60-plus.
- (18) Group Get-a-bout.
- (19) Melbourne Delegate Card.

- (20) Family daily.
- (21) Adult off-peak saver (Zone 2 and Zone 3 only).
- (22) Concession off-peak saver (Zone 2 and Zone 3 only).
- (23) Student pass (six monthly validity).
- (24) Student pass (yearly validity).

QUESTION ASKED ON 16 OCTOBER 2003

- 354 **TRUANCY DATA** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the Minister's comments quoted in *The Age* on 9 May 2003 which said in part: 'The Education Department will also keep more detailed data on truancy. Previously, truancy and absences approved by parents were listed in the one figure. From this year, the department will collect separate data. You do need to get a sense of why the non-attendance has happened and whether it's sporadic days or whether it's groups of days'— what detailed data has been collected and what does the data show.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 28 OCTOBER 2003

- 355 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum — what is the rationale for the proposal and what progress has been made in implementing it.
- 356 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the growing interest in VCE psychology among young people and the high rates of mental illness and suicide — how is a proposal to remove mental health issues from the curriculum justified.
- 357 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the suggestion that one of the main reasons for the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum is the lack of sufficiently well trained teachers in this subject — what resources has the Department put into recruiting and training the teachers needed for this subject.
- 358 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 358a Minister for Community Services
- 358c Minister for Education Services

- (1) Have some families been on the early intervention waiting list for the Service for over two years.
- (2) What is the Government doing to eliminate waiting lists for these families in such a crucial time for their children.

359 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

359a Minister for Community Services

359c Minister for Education Services

Are there any plans for additional government support to employ more travelling teachers for the Service to eliminate waiting lists, so families can expect the service they deserve and need for immediate early intervention.

360 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

360b Minister for Agriculture

360c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources

360e Attorney-General

360i Minister for Education and Training

360j Minister for Education Services

360k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs

360l Minister for Environment

360n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games

360p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation

360ah Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries

360ai Treasurer

360aj Treasurer for the Minister for Finance

360ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

360am Minister for Victorian Communities

360an Minister for Water

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department or private office since 27 March 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

361 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

361c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources

361e Attorney-General

361f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

361h Minister for Corrections

361i Minister for Education and Training

361j Minister for Education Services

361k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
361n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
361p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
361ac Minister for Police and Emergency Services
361ah Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
361ai Treasurer
361aj Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
361ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology
361am Minister for Victorian Communities
361ap Minister for WorkCover

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 5 December 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

368 **REDEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the itemised list of estates earmarked for redevelopment or neighbourhood renewal programs, including a progress report on each public housing site.
- (2) Whether the redevelopment of these estates involves contributions in kind from the not-for-profit sector or private developers, including details of the type of contribution made towards each such redevelopment.
- (3) What are the details of public estates where the Government has already undertaken or proposes to undertake the subdivision and sell the land for private sector development.
- (4) What are the details of the type of contractual arrangement the Government proposes to negotiate with 'private developers' to encourage a mix of private and public housing developments on Government-owned sites.
- (5) What are the details of private investors who have submitted a joint venture proposal for the redevelopment of public housing estates.

369 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AT RALEIGH STREET, WINDSOR** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of the estate —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the Council; if so, when.

- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) What is the 2002–2003 budget for the redevelopment.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.

370 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of each of Victory Boulevard in Ashburton, Thomson Estate in Geelong East, Rathdowne Street in Carlton, Raglan Ingles Estate in Port Melbourne, Elizabeth Street in Richmond, Kensington Estate in Kensington, Long Gully in Bendigo, Maidstone/Braybrook Estate, Mark/Rundle Estate in Wodonga, Parkside Estate in Shepparton and Peace Court in Doveton —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the relevant Council; if so, when.
- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) How much has been budgeted for this development in 2003–2004.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.
- (8) Broken down by the number of bedrooms, how many units will be available as a result of this redevelopment for —
 - (a) public housing; and
 - (b) private housing.

371 **WENDOUREE WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PROJECT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the total expected cost of the project.
- (2) What is the amount in the 2003–2004 State budget for the project.
- (3) When is work scheduled to commence on the 11 properties whose tenants have decided on design options for their properties.
- (4) What is the budget for 2003–2004 for —
 - (a) physical improvements and redevelopment of properties; and
 - (b) all other elements of the project.

- (5) How many public properties will be redeveloped as part of this project.
- (6) What is the total cost of the redevelopment of these properties.
- (7) Has a developer been selected for the redevelopment; if so, who.
- (8) What is the commencement date of the works.
- (9) What is the anticipated completion date of the works.

QUESTION ASKED ON 29 OCTOBER 2003

372 **ASBESTOS IN MELBOURNE YARD STABLING SIDINGS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each of the Broadmeadows, Cranbourne, Frankston, Pakenham, Sandringham, Watergardens, Werribee, Williamstown and Upfield lines between 15 and 24 October 2003 inclusive as a result of asbestos being found in the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.
- (2) What was the scheduled time of departure from its terminus of all trains cancelled on each line, and on what dates was each cancelled.
- (3) What steps are being taken to ensure that any further asbestos residues are immediately discovered and then removed from inner city stabling sidings such as in the North Melbourne area, closer to North Melbourne station than the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 18 NOVEMBER 2003

378 **HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES** — Mr Ryan to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) Why is the Hazardous Waste Siting Advisory Committee not mentioned in any of the material released by the Government and did it play any role in the site selection.
- (2) Where were the other 100, 14 and six sites that were originally identified before the Government came up with the final three at Violet Town, Pittong and Tiega.
- (3) Why is it that the soil recycling facility at Dutson Downs will not be subject to an environmental effects statement when these three sites will be.
- (4) What were the '30 stringent criteria' used by the Government to identify the three sites.
- (5) On what criteria were two thirds of the State ruled out through computer mapping alone.
- (6) How can it be possible that no suitable Crown land could be found.

- (7) Why is it that, given the Government expects the facility to be highly secure, no sites were short-listed in the metropolitan area where the bulk of the waste will come from.
- (8) How long has this process been underway and were any tests taken on private land without the consent of landholders.

380 **BASSLINK PTY LTD** — Mr Ingram to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to the construction of the Basslink Pty Ltd marine cable and its impact on commercial and recreational fisheries —

- (1) In relation to the code of conduct for commercial fishers as required by the Minister for Planning —
 - (a) has Basslink Pty Ltd prepared a code of conduct for commercial fishers as required;
 - (b) has the Government approved the code and when will it be publicly available;
 - (c) will the code be agreed to before the Basslink project commences;
 - (d) if a code of conduct cannot be agreed to, will the Minister ensure that issues of concern are addressed;
 - (e) with which fishing groups and individuals did the proponents consult in developing the code; and
 - (f) did the proponents consult with Gippsland fishers such as those from Yarram, Port Albert, McLoughlin's Beach, Lakes Entrance, Port Welshpool and Port Franklin, if not, why not; if so, with whom.
- (2) In the consultation process, what changes were made from the draft code of conduct to reflect the concerns raised by the commercial fishers.
- (3) Did the proponents consult with the recreational fishers of Gippsland who will actually be fishing and anchoring in the Victorian waters where the sub-sea cables are proposed to be laid.
- (4) As the planned use of the metallic return cable results in a magnetic field which will cause deviation of magnetic boat compasses, how is this safety information being provided to all Gippsland fishers.
- (5) As the commercial fishers at Port Albert have not accepted the use of the Bruce anchor, why is it still being endorsed by Basslink.
- (6) As the movement of the strong Bass Strait currents through the magnetic field of the bundled sub-sea cables creates an induced electric field which will be detected by sharks and rays, what studies have been conducted by Basslink to confirm the changes in shark and ray behaviour which may occur when the cables are in use.
- (7) Will the operating cables cause more sharks to swim inshore close to the public swimming beaches along the tourist attraction of the Ninety Mile Beach.

- (8) What studies have been undertaken to assess the impact on tourism in the area.
- (9) If, in the event that Basslink is constructed with metallic return marine cables bundled together instead of the more benign coaxial cable, and sharks and rays follow the cable as scientific research suggests, will the Government have the power to force the operators to turn off the cable.
- (10) Will the Government have the power to force the owner of the cable to remove the metallic return configuration and have it replaced with coaxial cable.
- (11) If the cable needs to be modified after construction, who will be required to bear the cost of modification.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 NOVEMBER 2003

- 385 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BEACH ROAD, BEAUMARIS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,657 fines being issued following 195.77 hours of operation and raising \$403,864 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.
- 386 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BLUFF ROAD, HAMPTON** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,522 fines being issued following 134.94 hours of operation and raising \$383,344 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 NOVEMBER 2003

- 388 **ERRATIC OR DANGEROUS DRIVING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 388a Minister for Police and Emergency Services
388b Minister for Transport
- (1) How many reports of persons aged 65 or over claimed to be driving erratically or dangerously have Victoria Police submitted to VicRoads since 1 January 2003.
 - (2) How many of these reports emanated from driving instructors.
 - (3) How many driving licences held by persons aged 65 years or over have been suspended or had conditions placed on them for alleged erratic or dangerous driving since 1 January 2003.

- 390 **LIBRA CONSULTING** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to services provided to Victoria Police by Libra Consulting — how many hours of service were invoiced, and what were the total amounts paid to Libra Consulting in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 2 MARCH 2004

- 396 **BUSH NURSING CENTRES IN VICTORIA** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care —

- (1) To provide a list of the Centres which have been funded by the Department of Human Services.
- (2) To provide details of the value of administration grants paid to each Centre.

- 397 **SCHOOL SERVICES OFFICERS (SSO)** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

397a Minister for Education Services

- (1) What percentage of SSO vacancies listed in the Education Times include contract positions which are filled by the incumbent holder of the contract in the previous year.
- (2) What is the Minister's response to the proposition put by an existing SSO that 'SSOs who are in excess and need to be redeployed, are required to ring around to establish whether listed vacancies are "real" jobs, go through the process of letter applications, multiple copies for panel members, go through an interview, only to be given a predetermined and predictable result'.
- (3) What is the Minister's response to the proposition put by an existing SSO that 'the minister introduce a list of "real" vacancies with many tagged ongoing to reduce the inefficiency of the current system and improve morale and job prospects for SSOs in government schools'.

- 398 **OFFICE EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

398a Minister for Innovation

398b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003, what are the details of expenses of the office of the Minister, including —

- (1) Number of ministerial staff allocated to the Minister.
- (2) Staff salaries and on-costs.
- (3) Other recurrent ministerial office operating expenses.

- (4) Minister's and/or office international flights and destination of international flights.
- (5) Minister's and/or office domestic flights.
- (6) Travel-related expenses.
- (7) Alcohol costs.

399 **DEPARTMENTAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

399a Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

399c Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all advertising campaigns relating to the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration, indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 January 2003.

400 **CHARTER FLIGHT COSTS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

400b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology
Since 1 January 2003 to date, what are the details for all charter flights, including helicopters and light planes, used by the Minister and/or the Minister's office indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Carrier.
- (3) Destination.
- (4) Cost.
- (5) Purpose.

401 **CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

401a Minister for Innovation

401b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of each consultancy commissioned by the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration since 1 January 2003, indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Cost.
- (3) Purpose.

- (4) Name and address of consultant.
- (5) Recommendations made.
- (6) Action taken in response to any recommendations.
- (7) Whether tenders were called.

402 **DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

402a Minister for Innovation

402b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all publications produced by the Minister's department, indicating in each case —

- (1) Title.
- (2) Date of issue and distribution.
- (3) Cost of production.
- (4) Number printed.
- (5) Printer's name.
- (6) Details of distribution, including numbers and cost.
- (7) The purpose of the production.

405 **ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

405a Minister for Innovation

405b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

With reference to the Minister's office and/or departmental resources used by the Minister, what are the details of all entertainment expenses incurred, indicating —

- (1) The total costs.
- (2) Itemised details of all expenditure over \$500 including —
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) number of guests;
 - (c) cost;
 - (d) purpose; and

(c) name of the service provider.

407 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIOS** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

407a Minister for Innovation

407c Minister for State and Regional Development

With reference to work undertaken since 4 December 2003 at the Studios —

- (1) What are the names of the consultants who undertook work in relation to the Studios.
- (2) Briefly describe the type of work undertaken.
- (3) What remuneration did the named consultants receive.
- (4) What dates was the work performed.

409 **FIXED TRAFFIC CAMERAS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —

- (1) What are the sites (other than the corner of Thomas Street and North Road, Brighton East) in the electorate of Brighton (suburbs of Brighton, Brighton East, parts of the suburbs of Elsternwick, Elwood, Gardenvale, Hampton and Hampton East) that have fixed traffic cameras installed.
- (2) Are there any plans to install additional fixed traffic cameras in the electorate of Brighton.

410 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

410a Premier

410b Minister for Agriculture

410c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources

410d Minister for the Arts

410e Attorney-General

410f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

410g Minister for Community Services

410h Minister for Corrections

410i Minister for Education Services

410j Minister for Education and Training

410k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs

410l Minister for Environment

410m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

410n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games

410o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government

410p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation

410q Minister for Financial Services Industry

410r Minister for Gaming

- 410s Minister for Health
- 410t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
- 410u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
- 410v Minister for Industrial Relations
- 410w Minister for Innovation
- 410x Minister for Major Projects
- 410y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
- 410z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
- 410aa Minister for Planning
- 410ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 410ac Minister for Racing
- 401ad Minister for State and Regional Development
- 410ae Minister for Tourism
- 410af Minister for Transport
- 410ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
- 410ah Treasurer
- 410ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
- 410aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
- 410ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
- 410al Minister for Victorian Communities
- 410am Minister for Water
- 410an Minister for Women's Affairs
- 410ao Minister for WorkCover
- 410ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) Since 20 October 1999, how many jobs awarded to the company were exempted from the Victorian Government Purchasing Board.
- (2) On what grounds were exemptions given.
- (3) Was a certificate of exemption issued.
- (4) Who signed the documents granting exemption.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 3 MARCH 2004

411 **WORKPLACE BULLYING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

- 411e Attorney-General
- 411i Minister for Education Services
- 411l Minister for Environment
- 411x Minister for Major Projects
- 411aa Minister for Planning
- 411af Minister for Transport
- 411ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
- 411aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
- 411ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business

411am Minister for Water

411ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) How many cases of bullying in the workplace have been reported to each department or agency under the aegis of the Minister between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2003.
- (2) How many of these claims resulted in WorkCover cases being established.
- (3) What was the total cost of these claims.
- (4) What has been the dollar increase in premiums for each individual department or agency due to claims for bullying in the workplace.

412 **SIEMENS THREE CAR SETS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Siemens three car sets had been accepted by M>Train following testing as at 1 March 2004.
- (2) How many further three car sets are expected to be delivered by —
 - (a) 31 May 2004;
 - (b) 31 August 2004;
 - (c) 30 November 2004;
 - (d) 28 February 2005.

413 **CHILD-SEX OFFENDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the visit of convicted child-sex offender Paul Cudmore to Northcote Shopping Plaza —

- (1) What was the outcome of the full examination and inquiry by the Department of Human Services announced by the Premier on 23 February 2004 into how Paul Cudmore was able to abscond from his guardians and will the Minister make public the outcome of the inquiry.
- (2) Was recommendation 20 of the September 2001 Report of the Review Panel to Consider the Operation of the Disability Services at the Statewide Forensic Service (SFS) followed and had the staff member accompanying Mr Cudmore —
 - (a) worked for SFS for at least six months;
 - (b) undertaken and satisfactorily completed the workplace orientation and induction program;
 - (c) completed at least 18 shifts within Mr Cudmore's unit of residence.

- (3) Why were SFS rules concerning community access (leave), which state that SFS clients with a history of child-sex offences should not be taken to areas frequented by children, ignored in this case.
- 414 **INQUIRY INTO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the inquiry into the juvenile justice system by Mr Bob Falconer, announced by the Premier on 16 February 2004, to provide —
- (1) Terms of reference.
- (2) Timelines.
- (3) Costs.
- 416 **CHAIRPERSON OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the appointment of Mr Stan Naylor as Chairperson of the Central Health Interpreter Service —
- (1) What were the terms of reference for his appointment.
- (2) What were the reasons all former Board members declined to be reappointed.
- (3) What was the name of the report prepared by Mr Naylor which reviewed the Service.
- (4) What were the recommendations in the report.
- 421 **BOYD HOUSE** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what has been the total cost of consultancies, including legal fees, engaged by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, and Heritage Victoria and/or their representatives and agents, concerning action taken in relation to 666 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, otherwise known as the 'Boyd House', and its owner Maria Rajendrau, for each year since 30 June 1999.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 30 MARCH 2004

- 423 **BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS (BEST)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —
- (1) Is there a register maintained of declared gifts, gratuities or other benefits, as received by BEST management, employees and contractors, from external companies, organisations or individuals.
- (2) If there is no register, what probity measures are in place to ensure that BEST management, employees and contractors are not subjected to offers of, or accept, monetary or non-monetary inducements/benefits from potential bidders, actual bidders or other stakeholders, on projects managed or overseen by BEST.

- (3) Have any gifts, gratuities or other benefits been declared by BEST management, employees and contractors in relation to three current projects under management of BEST — the Mobile Data Terminal Network (MDT), the Melbourne Metropolitan Radio Network (MMR) and the Emergency Altering System (EAS).

424 **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY BURWOOD CAMPUS NORTHERN OVAL** — Mr Baillicu to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the discussions with the Burwood campus of Deakin University regarding the ownership and use of the site known as the Northern Oval —

- (1) When did the discussions start.
- (2) How many discussions or meetings have taken place.
- (3) What specifically has been discussed so far.
- (4) What is still to be discussed.
- (5) What agreements have been reached.
- (6) Is one of the points of discussion about a long term recreation space agreement and, if so, how long would that agreement last.
- (7) Has the Government offered Deakin University a price for the land and, if so, how much.
- (8) When will the Deakin-owned portion of the Northern Oval be transferred to public ownership as stated in an e-mail from the Minister's office dated 22 November 2002 and has it been determined what it will take to make this now 15-month old promise happen.

425 **FLAME RETARDANT CURTAINS AND INTERNAL FITTING IN SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

425a Minister for Education Services

How many schools are fitted out with flame retardant curtains and internal fittings as required under the Uniform Building Code of Australia in each of —

- (1) State primary schools.
- (2) State secondary schools.
- (3) Catholic schools.
- (4) Independent schools.

426 **M>TRAIN TRAINS IN SERVICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how many Siemens six-car trains were in revenue-carrying passenger service for M>Train on Tuesday 30 March 2004.

427 **M>TRAIN SIEMENS CARS** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

427a Minister for Transport

427b Treasurer

427c Treasurer for the Minister for Finance

- (1) What is the monthly cost to M>Train for leasing —
 - (a) Siemens motor cars;
 - (b) Siemens trailer cars that have been accepted from the manufacturer after completing testing.
- (2) What is the period of lease for each car.
- (3) What is the monthly cost of security guards employed at each of Dandenong and St Albans Stations to monitor stored Siemens train sets.
- (4) What amount is being paid for security guards at each of Dandenong and St Albans Stations by —
 - (a) M>Train;
 - (b) Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) Department of Treasury and Finance;
 - (d) Siemens Rail Services or other associated companies;
 - (e) other entities.

430 **DIRECTOR OF VICTORIAN OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs — whether the position of Director or Acting Director of the Victorian Office of Multicultural Affairs has been filled and, if so, what process was followed to select the successful candidate.

431 **TRAM NETWORK RESTRICTIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) On what, if any, sections or full routes of Melbourne's tram network are the following types of trams unable to operate —
 - (a) 'D1' class three-section Combinos;
 - (b) 'D2' class five-section Combinos;
 - (c) Citadis trams.
- (2) What action, if any, does Yarra Trams or the Department of Infrastructure intend to take to rectify any such deficiencies in the network and by what date will each specific restriction be lifted.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 31 MARCH 2004

- 432 **STAMP DUTY COLLECTED IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer — what was the dollar amount of stamp duty collected for 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004 to date from the suburbs of —
- (1) Brighton (postcode 3186).
 - (2) Brighton East (postcode 3187).
- 434 **DRAG RACING IN ELWOOD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to drag racing on Ormond Esplanade, Elwood —
- (1) What measures have police taken to reduce this activity.
 - (2) How many people have been fined for such activity in 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 436 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services — what was the aggregate sum approved for flood relief by the Department of Human Services for the December 2003 floods and the January 2004 floods in metropolitan Melbourne.
- 437 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services —
- (1) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services receive for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.
 - (2) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services approve for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 APRIL 2004

- 438 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO PROBITY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to the *Probity Plan for the Docklands Film and Television Studio Complex Project* —
- (1) Was the template Confidentiality Agreement Annex B used; if not, why.

- (2) Were confidentiality statements obtained from all Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor.
- (3) On what date/s were the confidentiality statements obtained.
- (4) How many confidentiality statements were not obtained and from whom were they not obtained.
- (5) If there was a failure to obtain confidentiality statements, including from any new consultants and team members, what was the reason.
- (6) Were all 'movements of submissions' logged and monitored, and how many were there.
- (7) In Phase 3 (Request for Tender) were the confidentiality statements for Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor confirmed; if not, why.
- (8) If the confidentiality statements were confirmed, on what date/s were they confirmed.
- (9) How many 'interviews and presentations' took place during the Request for Tender stage.
- (10) On what dates, and with which tenderer, did these 'interviews and presentations' take place.
- (11) Were records of interviews, meetings, agendas and file notes kept of all these 'interviews and presentations'; if not, on which dates and in relation to which tenderers were written records not kept.
- (12) Who were the 'authorised persons' with access to 'documents which contain tender related commercially sensitive information'.
- (13) Were all documents containing tender related commercially sensitive information 'stored at all times in secure conditions'.
- (14) Where precisely and under what circumstances was this information stored.
- (15) Was a 'Movement Control Register' maintained; if so, how many movements were recorded in the register.
- (16) Which tenders appeared on the Movement Control Register, on which dates were the tenders moved and returned, and to whom were the tenders issued.
- (17) Was the electronic information kept in the manner prescribed.
- (18) What were all the dates of meetings with Central City Studios (CCS) and were all these meetings attended by the required two persons; if not, on which date/s did meetings take place without the stipulated two persons being present.
- (19) On which date/s was a minute taker not present.

- 439 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —
- (1) Did the Minister meet with Central City Studios (CCS) or any person/s purporting to represent CCS; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
 - (2) Did the Minister meet with Mr Peter Bartels; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
- 440 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT AUDITOR** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — why was no probity auditor appointed as at 30 August 2001 when Expression of Interests (EOIs) had already been called for.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 21 APRIL 2004

- 441 **UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ON NOTICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will questions 77, 225, 253, 254, 343, 350, 352, 372, 373, 375, 381, 382, 388b and 389 asked between 25 March 2003 and 25 November 2003 be answered.
- 443 **TIME SAVINGS ON TRAM JOURNEYS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — what time savings will occur on each tram route between the terminus and final destination as a result of the *Tram to It* program on a typical —
- (1) Inbound weekday morning peak hour journey.
 - (2) Outbound weekday afternoon peak hour journey.
 - (3) Off-peak weekday journey.
 - (4) Saturday daytime journey.
 - (5) Sunday daytime journey.
- 448 **BIG HILL TUNNEL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What speed is presently allowed through the tunnel on the existing double track between Kyneton and Bendigo.
 - (2) What would be the fastest safe speed for a 'V'locity' train through the tunnel if double track was retained in the exact position it is now and the track upgraded with concrete sleepers and 60 kg/m rail.
 - (3) What is the predicted actual speed of trains through the tunnel once the upgrade is complete travelling —

- (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.
- (4) If double track was retained through the tunnel and 'V'LOCITY' trains slowed (if necessary) to the maximum safe speed through the tunnel, what would be the delay in seconds solely due to the tunnel speed restriction for trains travelling —
- (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.

449 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What is the maximum speed a 'V'LOCITY' train running on the high standard track specified for the Bendigo upgrade can reach without its predicted kinematic envelope exceeding the actual kinematic envelope of a Sprinter running at 130 km/h on the existing track.
- (2) If double track was retained and upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) track under Conlans Road Bridge at Taradale, what would be the maximum speed under the bridge of a 'V'LOCITY' train that would be 'not less safe' than existing Sprinter trains passing under Conlans Road Bridge on the existing track at 130 km/h.
- (3) Between Elphinstone and Bendigo, what are the locations of the present 'up' track that will require removal in order to realign the existing 'down' track for higher speeds and, at each location, what speed will apply after the realignment, and what would be the maximum possible safe speed if double track was retained.
- (4) What time saving is achieved solely due to each section of realigned track between Elphinstone and Bendigo, and what is the total time saving between these locations due to realigned track.

451 **TRAIN LINE BETWEEN KYNETON AND BENDIGO** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) For each of the four sections of track to be singled between Kyneton and Bendigo, what proportion of the rail was manufactured prior to 1955.
- (2) If double track was retained between Kyneton and Bendigo with one track upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) as well as the planned upgrade between Sydenham and Kyneton, and trains slowed if necessary for heritage structures, what would be the expected running time for a 'V'LOCITY' train running express from Sydenham to Bendigo.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 4 MAY 2004

- 454 **ADVERTISING EXPENDITURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — what was the total amount of expenditure across the whole of the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development for advertising promotions in 2002–2003.
- 455 **VICURBAN HOUSING ACCESS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what measures have been or will be put into place to ensure future housing developments by VicUrban are more accessible, for both entry and inside the dwelling, for people with a disability.
- 458 **SUBURBAN TRAIN CANCELLATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to train cancellations —
- (1) How many cancellations occurred on each line operated by Connex between 18 April and 24 April 2004 inclusive, and 25 April and 1 May 2004 inclusive.
 - (2) What was the cause of each cancellation, by line.
 - (3) How many of the cancellations on each line occurred for services scheduled to leave the originating station on —
 - (a) weekdays between 6.00 am and 9.00 am;
 - (b) weekdays between 3.30 pm and 7.00 pm;
 - (c) Saturday;
 - (d) Sunday.
- 459 **PUBLISHING TRAIN PUNCTUALITY STATISTICS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will Connex commence publicly reporting its punctuality and reliability statistics on a line-by-line basis rather than on a system-wide basis.
- 460 **YARRA TRAMS PUNCTUALITY AND RELIABILITY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) Are there any plans for Yarra Trams to report its punctuality and reliability statistics on a line-by-line basis similar to the practice of the now defunct M>Train; if so, from what month will this occur.
 - (2) What was the punctuality and reliability percentage performance for each tram route between 18 April and 30 April 2004.

- 461 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND RAILWAY BOOM GATES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many malfunctions of traffic lights installed in conjunction with railway boom barriers/flashing lights occurred between 1 March and 4 May 2004.
 - (2) What was the longest delay applying between reporting to the VicRoads call centre, VicTrack switchboard, M>Train or Connex, and the traffic lights and boom barriers returning to normal operation.
 - (3) At how many locations are combined traffic light and railway boom barriers or flashing lights installed —
 - (a) in metropolitan Melbourne;
 - (b) more than 60 kilometres from the GPO.
- 462 **WIDE ROPE BARRIERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many new installations of wire rope barriers along freeways or other roads have occurred in 2003–2004.
 - (2) What was the location and cost of each installation.
- 463 **SOUTHERN AND EASTERN INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AUTHORITY STAFF** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport
- (1) How many staff employed at the Authority were employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.
 - (2) What is the expected total for remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority in —
 - (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2004–2005.
 - (3) How much has been expended in remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority to 4 May 2004.
 - (4) During 2004–2005 what number of staff will be employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;

(c) casual basis.

- 464 **KPMG CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many consultancies have been awarded to KPMG in 2003 and 2004 and, in respect of each, what was the nature, scope and cost.
- 465 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved 'fighting/assault' in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 466 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved 'fighting/assault' and the injured person was a member of staff in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 467 **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many emergency notifications were sent by Emergency and Security Management where the type of incident included the word 'assault' in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 to each of —
- (1) Barwon South Western Region.
 - (2) Central Highlands Wimmera Region.
 - (3) Gippsland Region.
 - (4) Goulburn North Eastern Region.
 - (5) Loddon Campaspe Mallee Region.
 - (6) Eastern Metropolitan Region.
 - (7) Northern Metropolitan Region.
 - (8) Southern Metropolitan Region.
 - (9) Western Metropolitan Region.
- 468 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — which schools received capital upgrades in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 and what are the details of each capital upgrade.

469 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services

- (1) How many, and which, schools campuses received capital upgrades in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- (2) What are the details of every capital upgrade.

470 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the Minister's statement in the adjournment debate on 20 April 2004 that capital upgrades reduce the cost of maintenance — how many new buildings are replacing severely ageing buildings (Physical Resources Management System (PRMS) rating 1–3).

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 MAY 2004

472 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) When are speed restrictions, slowing passenger trains between Sale and Bairnsdale, expected to be lifted.
- (2) What is the current line speed for passenger trains between Traralgon and Sale.
- (3) Do any railway bridges between Traralgon and Sale require replacement or urgent remedial work; if so —
 - (a) what is the likely cost for each location;
 - (b) when will the works be undertaken;
 - (c) what speed limits currently apply for passenger or freight trains at each location.

473 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport

- (1) Apart from the bridge works previously publicised in the Leongatha area, have any contracts been entered into for works to reinstate regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains between —
 - (a) Ballarat, Maryborough and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) what was each contact for;
 - (b) with whom was it entered into;

- (c) what amount was it for;
- (d) when does each contract conclude.
- (3) When will regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains again run between —
- (a) Ballarat and Mildura;
- (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
- 474 **GAUGE STANDARDISATION PROJECT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how much would the project announced in 2001 at a cost of \$96 million, and subsequently deferred, cost in May 2004.
- 475 **IMPROVED ROAD SHOULDERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many kilometres of rural Victorian roads will receive improved shoulders in —
- (a) 2004–2005;
- (b) 2005–2006.
- (2) What is the road name, locality and length in kilometres or hundreds of metres for each proposed improvement.
- 476 **V/LINE CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many claims for compensation has V/Line Passenger Pty Ltd, V/Line Passenger Corporation, VicTrip or the Department of Infrastructure received for V/Line's failure to meet punctuality targets in March 2004 on each corridor where this occurred.
- (2) How much has been paid in compensation for claims made in March 2004 on each corridor.
- 477 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 55 — what are the names of each of the primary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.
- 478 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 — what are the names of each of the secondary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.

482 **ESL IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the measure 'eligible students in regular schools receiving English as a Second Language (ESL) support in primary schools' —

482a Minister for Education Services

482b Minister for Education and Training

What is the reason almost nine per cent of eligible students miss out on ESL support.

483 **KOORI EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the 15 Koori educators employed —

483a Minister for Education Services

483b Minister for Education and Training

(1) Where are they employed.

(2) What are their duties.

484 **HOME LIAISON EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the six home liaison officers employed —

484a Minister for Education Services

484b Minister for Education and Training

(1) Where are they employed.

(2) What are their duties.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 11 MAY 2004

485 **CLEANING OF TRAIN STATIONS AND TRACKS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the high volume of litter, including bottles, food containers, plastic and other general rubbish, on the train tracks near Patterson station in early May —

(1) When was this precinct last cleaned.

(2) What is the frequency of programmed cleaning of both the station and the tracks.

(3) What steps are being taken to improve the cleaning of railway land and to minimise littering.

486 **STATE DISABILITY PLAN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to page 47 of the State Disability Plan 2002–2012 which refers to the commitment of the Government to undertake a yearly review of the priority strategies and to publish reports that show the Government's progress —

- (1) Has the yearly review been completed; if so, what was the date of completion of the review and what were its findings.
- (2) Have the reports which show the Government's progress been completed; if so, what were the dates of completion of the reports and what were their findings.

487 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE COMPENSATION** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

487a Minister for Education and Training

487b Minister for Education Services

487c Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

- (1) Has the Government agreed to compensate the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people for allowing the Somerville Secondary College Campus to be built; if so, what form will this compensation take.
- (2) What agreement exists between any, and which, representatives of the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people.
- (3) What payments have been made to any, and which, of these representatives.
- (4) What changes to the school design will be made as a result of any such compensation agreements.

488 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

488a Minister for Education and Training

488b Minister for Education Services

- (1) Is it anticipated that the school will open with all portable/transportable classrooms.
- (2) Will there be a school oval.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 12 MAY 2004

489 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS BETWEEN CHELTENHAM AND CAULFIELD** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services scheduled to run express between Cheltenham and Caulfield, or Caulfield and Cheltenham, have been cancelled on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service timetabled to depart either Cheltenham (for an 'up' service) or Caulfield (for a 'down' service).
- (3) Have some 'stopping all stations' services on the Frankston line exceeded 800 passengers on board at any one station as a result of these cancellations.

490 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Sandringham line on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Sandringham (for an 'up' service).
- (3) Have passengers in the morning peak hour routinely been unable to board the next train at stations like Prahran as a result of these cancellations.

491 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON DANDENONG, PAKENHAM AND CRANBOURNE LINES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Dandenong, Pakenham and Cranbourne lines on each weekday between 22 April 2004 and 11 May 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart Flinders Street or Dandenong (for a 'down' service) or Pakenham, Cranbourne or Dandenong (for an 'up' service).

492 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL CLASSROOMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training — since 1 May 2004, has the Department of Education and Training's Gippsland Regional Director or any, and which, other officer met the School Council of Traralgon South Primary School to discuss the upgrade of their classrooms to permanent structures; if so, what are the results of those discussions.

493 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL'S 'SCHOOLYARD BLITZ'** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — will Traralgon South Primary School receive funds under the 'Schoolyard Blitz' program; if not, why.

QUESTION ASKED ON 13 MAY 2004

- 494 **BOAT LAUNCHING RAMPS ON PORT PHILLIP BAY** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the siltation around a number of boat launching ramps on Port Phillip Bay —
- (1) Which level of Government is responsible for dredging sand around boat launching ramps.
 - (2) Which level of Government is responsible for the area to the low water mark.
 - (3) Which level of Government is responsible for the area between the low water mark and the high water mark.
 - (4) What arrangements are in place to dredge or remove the sand around the Black Rock launching ramp at Half Moon Bay and what is the time frame for such works to be undertaken.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 MAY 2004

- 495 **BIRRALEE PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the growth in student numbers at the school in the last five years under the leadership of its principal, Ashley Ryan —
- (1) Is the school under entitlement in any, and which, areas.
 - (2) Is the school under entitlement for the —
 - (a) administration area;
 - (b) sick bay;
 - (c) staff areas.
 - (3) If the school is under any entitlement, what plans does the Government have for providing funding to the school to do the necessary works.
 - (4) What is the Government's response to school's request for a staff administration upgrade as part of the minor capital works program in the current financial year.
- 497 **SANDRINGHAM RAILWAY LINE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to train cancellations and delays on the Sandringham line —
- (1) How many cancellations occurred on this line operated by Connex from 1 May 2004.
 - (2) What was the cause of each cancellation.

- (3) How many of the cancellations occurred for services scheduled to leave the originating station on —
 - (a) weekdays between 6.00 am and 9.00 am;
 - (b) weekdays between 3.30 pm and 7.00 pm.
- (4) What is the percentage of train services delayed on this line from 1 May 2004.

QUESTION ASKED ON 26 MAY 2004

498 **TAFE FEES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to Mark Latham's promise to abolish Tertiary and Further Education (TAFE) fees for secondary school students and his statement on the ABC *7:30 Report* on 12 May 2004 that Jenny Macklin has received the approval of the states and territories for this proposal —

498a Minister for Education and Training

498b Minister for Education Services

- (1) Has Jenny Macklin spoken to the Minister about this proposal.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) when were these discussions undertaken;
 - (b) when was the abolition of any TAFE fees first discussed;
 - (c) how many/what proportion of school students actually pay TAFE fees;
 - (d) what fees are proposed to be paid by —
 - (i) students doing Vocational Education and Training (VET) in schools;
 - (ii) students doing a year 12 equivalent;
 - (e) will the Government pick up the cost of the TAFE fees or will the student be required to pay, if a student drops out of secondary school;
 - (f) will the Government abolish fees for school-based new apprentices;
 - (g) does a student who starts a school-based new apprenticeship in year 12, and the fee is abolished, have to pay TAFE fees in the second year;
 - (h) will the proposal also cover early enrolment in TAFE degrees, worth up to \$12,000 a place;
 - (i) what will be the impact on State revenue;

- (j) how much compensation will the State receive for each TAFE fee abolished.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 MAY 2004

499 **FAULTY TRAM TICKET VALIDATORS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Were OneLink tram ticket validators with serial numbers 034-03300 and 034-02035 displaying 'Invalid' when commuters inserted their tram tickets on a Port Melbourne bound route 109 service that passed Parliament House at about 8.20 am on 27 May 2004.
- (2) Were the same validators displaying a green indication at their top at the same time as showing 'Invalid' when tickets were inserted.
- (3) Are such instances of validators not functioning for this reason reported in *Track Record* each quarter.
- (4) How many instances of this type of fault occurred —
 - (a) between January and March 2004;
 - (b) in April 2004;
 - (c) in May 2004 to date.

500 **TRAM TICKET VALIDATORS AND VENDING MACHINES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many instances of 'Wrong Zone' readings when valid Zone 1 tram tickets were inserted into onboard tram validators while the tram was travelling within Zone 1 were there on each of route 109, route 75 and route 86 in each of —
 - (a) January to March 2004;
 - (b) April 2004;
 - (c) May 2004 to date.
- (2) How many instances of 'Wrong Zone' readings when valid Zone 2 tram tickets were inserted into onboard tram validators while the tram was travelling within Zone 2 were there on each of route 109, route 75 and route 86 in each of —
 - (a) January to March 2004;
 - (b) April 2004;
 - (c) May 2004 to date.

- (3) Does such a fault require OneLink technicians to attend the tram to correct the fault or can the OneLink validators be reset by the tram driver.
- (4) Is any time specified in the OneLink or Yarra Trams contracts within which a technician must attend to reported faults affecting onboard tram ticket vending machines or onboard tram validators, where the tram is in revenue service when the fault is reported.
- (5) How many faults with OneLink onboard tram ticket vending machines have occurred in —
 - (a) April 2004;
 - (b) May 2004 to date.
- (6) How many faults with OneLink onboard tram validators have occurred in —
 - (a) April 2004;
 - (b) May 2004 to date.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 1 JUNE 2004

501 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS BETWEEN CHELTENHAM AND CAULFIELD** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services scheduled to run express between Cheltenham and Caulfield, or Caulfield and Cheltenham, have been cancelled on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service timetabled to depart either Cheltenham (for an 'up' service) or Caulfield (for a 'down' service).
- (3) Have some 'stopping all stations' services on the Frankston line exceeded 800 passengers on board at any one station as a result of these cancellations.

502 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Sandringham line on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
- (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart either Flinders Street (for a 'down' service) or Sandringham (for an 'up' service).
- (3) Have passengers in the morning peak hour routinely been unable to board the next train at stations like Prahran as a result of these cancellations.

- 503 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON DANDENONG, PAKENHAM AND CRANBOURNE LINES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many Connex services have been cancelled on the Dandenong, Pakenham and Cranbourne lines on each weekday between 12 May 2004 and 1 June 2004 inclusive.
 - (2) What time and date was each cancelled service scheduled to depart Flinders Street or Dandenong (for a 'down' service) or Pakenham, Cranbourne or Dandenong (for an 'up' service).
- 504 **TRAVELLING WITHOUT A VALID TICKET ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What percentage of journeys are estimated to have been made without a valid ticket between 18 April 2004 and 1 June 2004 on each of —
 - (a) Connex;
 - (b) Yarra Trams;
 - (c) V/Line;
 - (d) Melbourne's private bus operators.
 - (2) What amount of revenue has been lost for each of the four modes or operators as a result.
- 505 **FARE PAYING STUDENTS ON SCHOOL BUSES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Education Services —
- (1) How many students were approved to travel as fare paying passengers on school buses in Victoria in 2003.
 - (2) How much revenue was collected from the students.
 - (3) Which government department was the beneficiary of the revenue raised.

QUESTION ASKED ON 3 JUNE 2004

- 506 **ELETRONIC ELECTIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Premier — has the Premier considered the email dated 27 May 2004 of Anthony van der Craats asking that there be a review into 'the conduct and scrutiny of electronic elections and the role of Victorian Electoral Commission amidst concerns that its software technology fails to meet basic industry standard'; if so, what is the Premier's response.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 24 AUGUST 2004

- 507 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN STATE FORESTS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by the Department of Sustainability and Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —
- (1) Buckwong Hut No 1, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built for Gibsons.
 - (2) Buckwong Hut No 2, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built by Rusty Connley.
 - (3) Carmody's Hut, Wild Boar Range.
 - (4) Centenary Mine Hut (Centennial), Guns Creek, West branch of Ovens River above Harrierville.
 - (5) Dunstan Logging Huts, Dunstans Logging Road, 0.5 kilometres east of Upper Papes Track —
 - (a) No 1;
 - (b) No 2;
 - (c) No 3;
 - (d) No 4;
 - (e) No 5.
 - (6) Gibson's (Old) Hut, Walkers Logging Track, Elliots, Damm Track.
 - (7) Mt Selwyn Hut, Mt Selwyn.
 - (8) Mulhauser Mine Hut, Bogong Saddle.
 - (9) Shower Block Hut, Tee Tree Range Road, Humffray River State Forest.
- 508 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN ALPINE NATIONAL PARK** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts in Alpine National Park managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —
- (1) Bogong Creek No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.
 - (2) Bogong Creek No 2, Upper Kiewa Valley.
 - (3) Batty's Hut, New Country Spur north of Mt Nelse, Batty Spur.
 - (4) Bogong Aqueduct No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.

- (5) Bogong Aqueduct No 5, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (6) Burnside Hut, Burnside Creek, Knocker Track.
- (7) Charlie Creek Hut, Davies Plain Track, Charlie Creek.
- (8) Dr Scarles Hut, Gibbo River Junction.
- (9) Federation Hut, Bungalow Spur west of Mt Feathertop.
- (10) Huggins (Honeymoon) Hut, Buckety Plain area.
- (11) MacFarlanes Flat Hut, MacFarlanes Flat — built by Buff.
- (12) McNamara's Hut, Buckety Plain.
- (13) Michell Hut, Eskdale Spur.
- (14) Mt Benambra Fire Tower, Mt Benambra.
- (15) Mussurie Hut, near Pluto Creek, Gibbo River Junction.
- (16) Quintet Mine Hut No 1, Swindlers Spur.
- (17) Quintet Mine Hut No 2, Swindlers Spur.
- (18) Red Hut, Rocky Valley Creek, Roper Saddle.
- (19) Red Robin Battery Hut, West Kiewa River.
- (20) Ropers Hut, Duane Spur.
- (21) Sheever Spur, Dartmouth.
- (22) Springs Saddle Hut, Mt Fainter.
- (23) Sykes Dogman's Hut, New Yard Flat.
- (24) West Humffray Hut, West Humffray Road, Barry Range.

509 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN NATIONAL PARKS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Bon Accord Hut, Bon Accord Spur north of Mt Hotham.
- (2) Briggs Logging Camp Hut (West Kiewa), West Kiewa River west of Mt Fainter.
- (3) Red Robin Mine Hut, North of Mt Loch, Machinery Spur.

(4) Reservoir Hut, Crystal Brook Reservoir, Mt Buffalo National Park.

510 **CONDITION OF HUTS ON CROWN LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

(1) Euco Stephenson's Hut, Nine Mile Creek, near Eight Mile Loop Track.

(2) Long Plain Hut, Limestone, south of Dead Horse Creek.

(3) Worcester Mine Hut, Bingo, via Omeo.

511 **CONDITION OF HUT AT MT HOTHAM** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of the Damm Hut, 50 metres north of Alpine Road, Dungay Hollow, on Mt Hotham Resort and if it has not been rebuilt what is the timeline for its reconstruction.

512 **REVIEW OF ACCELERATED LEARNING** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to an article, which appeared on page 15 of the *Mordialloc Chelsea Leader* on 18 August 2004, in which a spokesperson for the Minister announced that the Government will undertake a three-year review of accelerated learning programs across the state — what are the terms of reference of the review and who will be conducting it.

513 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT** — Ms Asher to ask the following ministers with reference to Mr Neil O'Keefe and the Melbourne Showgrounds redevelopment project —

513a Minister for Agriculture

513b Minister for Major Projects

(1) On what date did Mr O'Keefe, former Chair of the Joint Venture of the Showgrounds redevelopment project, resign.

(2) On what date was the Minister advised of Mr O'Keefe's resignation.

(3) What was the reason for Mr O'Keefe's resignation.

514 **TAXES IMPOSED ON BUSINESSES IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to businesses located in postcodes 3186 (Brighton) and 3187 (Brighton East) —

(1) How many businesses were levied with pay-roll tax in —

(a) 2000–2001;

(b) 2001–2002;

- (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
- (2) What was the total value of pay-roll tax for each postcode in —
- (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
- (3) How many individuals and businesses were levied with land tax in —
- (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
- (4) What was the total value of land tax for each postcode in —
- (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.

515 **SYNCHROTRON PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Innovation —

- (1) What was the total amount of funding contributed by the company MiniFAB to the project.
- (2) What was the total amount of funding contributed by the company MiniFAB to the Beamlines for the project.

516 **BROKEN PROMENADE SEA WALL** — Mr Thompsen to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the broken promenade sea wall proximate to Third Street, Black Rock —

- (1) What assessment has been made of the cost of repairs.
- (2) What is the timeframe for the repair of the wall.

- (3) What steps have been taken to minimise a cost escalation of the repair works due to any inaction on the part of the Government.

517 **V/LINE BEAUFORT AND ARARAT STRANDED PASSENGERS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — have there been any occasions at Ballarat where passengers for Beaufort or Ararat have been left stranded sitting in a ‘Sprinter’ railcar that has been detached from the portion of the train proceeding to Ararat; if so —

- (1) On what dates did any such instance occur.
- (2) Has V/Line used taxis or other vehicles to carry passengers when this has occurred; if so, what was the cost on each occasion.

518 **CESSATION OF WEST COAST RAIL SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Since West Coast Rail ceased operating the service in May 2004, how many single journey scheduled rail services on the Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool corridor have been operated by —
 - (a) trains;
 - (b) road coaches.
- (2) Has patronage of the service declined since it became a mix of train and coaches; if so, by what percentage.
- (3) Will V/Line operate the same number of package tours to Warrnambool and beyond as West Coast Rail has previously.
- (4) How many adult passengers, in each direction, does V/Line hope to carry each year on the South Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool rail service.
- (5) How many concession passengers, in each direction, does V/Line hope to carry each year on the South Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool rail service.

519 **V/LINE ‘V’LOCITY’ RAILCARS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the new ‘V’locity’ railcars —

- (1) What provisions do the new railcars have for powering laptop computers.
- (2) How many of the 144 seats per set will have access to such provisions.
- (3) What is the seat pitch in centimetres on the ‘V’locity’ railcars and how does this compare to ‘Sprinters’, an ‘ACN’ and a ‘BN’ class carriage.

- 520 **TRAFFIC CONTROLLER JOBS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Metropolitan South East, Metropolitan North West, Eastern, Northeastern, Southwestern and Western regional areas — how many of the VicRoads ‘traffic controller’ jobs in each of October 2002 and October 2003 were related to —
- (1) Traffic signal.
 - (2) Major signal fault.
 - (3) Hardware failure.
 - (4) Causing traffic delay.
 - (5) Accident damage.
 - (6) Graffiti.
 - (7) Programmed works.
 - (8) Other damage such as vandalism.
 - (9) Other matters.
- 521 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What has been the expenditure since 6 May 2004 on restoring passenger services to the rail lines —
 - (a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.
 - (2) When will regular V/Line services commence operation on the rail lines —
 - (a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.
- 522 **LOCOMOTIVE REPAIR** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the V/Line ‘N’ class locomotive that broke down at Euroa while running the 6.35 am train from Albury on Tuesday 17 August 2004 —
- (1) What has been or is expected to be the cost of repairs to the locomotive.
 - (2) How long is the locomotive expected to be out of service.

- 523 **CLAIMS FOR COMPENSATION FOR LATE SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to claims for compensation that V/Line Passenger Services Pty Ltd, V/Line Passenger Corporation, Metlink or the Department of Infrastructure received for V/Line's failure to meet punctuality targets —
- (1) How many claims for compensation were received in each month between April 2004 and July 2004 on each corridor.
 - (2) How much has been paid in compensation for each month between April 2004 and July 2004 on each corridor.
- 524 **ASSESSMENT OF BOONERWRUNG INTERESTS FROM GEOLOGICAL AND TERRITORIAL PERSPECTIVES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs with reference to the report titled '*Assessment of Boonerwung interests from geological and territorial perspectives*' prepared by Dr Clark of the Department of Justice —
- (1) What was the cost of the report.
 - (2) For what purpose was it prepared.
 - (3) To date, why has access to the report been restricted.
- 525 **ANTIBES STREET/SEVENTH STREET UPGRADES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Minister's Press Release dated 1 November 2002 in which he stated that upgrades would be carried out in 2003 at Antibes Street/Seventh Street, Parkdale —
- (1) What is the current status of the Government's election promise to put in a state of the art crossover at the end of Seventh Avenue, Parkdale.
 - (2) Why have the works not been completed.
 - (3) What plans does the Government have to fulfil its election promise and what date will the project be completed.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 67

Tuesday 14 September 2004

526 **TRAIN CANCELLATION ON BELGRAVE–LILYDALE LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of the 8.28 am train from East Camberwell station to the city on Friday 27 August 2004 —

- (1) What was the cause of the cancelled service.
- (2) What steps is the Minister taking to assist improved patronage of the public transport system rather than it being run down through unreliable service provision.

527 **FUNDING FOR HISTORICAL COMPLEXES IN THE PARKS VICTORIA PORTFOLIO** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the report by Heritage Council Victoria entitled *Review of Heritage Place Management in Victoria 2003*, which found that there is a need for funding of major works for large, significant historical complexes in the Parks Victoria portfolio — what has the Government done to address this need for funding.

528 **FUNDING FOR PARKS VICTORIA HUMAN AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the report by Heritage Council Victoria entitled *Review of Heritage Place Management in Victoria 2003*, which found that Parks Victoria has inadequate human and financial resources to realise the full potential of visitor services — what has the Government done to redress this lack of funding.

529 **CULTURAL HERITAGE INSPECTORS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs with reference to the appointment of cultural heritage inspectors under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984 (Cth) relevant sections of which are managed by the State Minister —

- (1) How many inspectors are currently registered in Victoria.
- (2) What is the method of appointment of inspectors.
- (3) What is the method of revocation of appointment of inspectors.
- (4) How many inspectors, of the ones currently registered, are qualified to do the authorised work.
- (5) Are there any inspectors on the list who have not done any inspection work over the last 12 months.

- (6) When will the next training course be conducted and how will prospective and well qualified potential applicants be notified.
- 530 **MERGER TO FORM VICURBAN** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the merger of the Urban and Regional Land Corporation (URLC) and the Docklands Authority to form VicUrban —
- (1) Prior to the merger was an audit performed of the —
- (a) URLC;
- (b) Docklands Authority.
- (2) Prior to the merger what financial studies were undertaken by —
- (a) URLC;
- (b) Docklands Authority.
- (3) How many staff from the former URLC have left VicUrban.
- 531 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Treasury and Finance paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre; if so, how many and which courses.
- 532 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to the Centre Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre; if so, how many and which courses.
- 533 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Infrastructure paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre ; if so, how many and which courses.
- 534 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —
- (1) On what date was Mr Neil O'Keefe appointed as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (2) On what date was the actual decision made to short-list the three bidders, Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions, for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.

- (3) What were the names of the people who took the decision to put Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions on the short-list.
- (4) On what date did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise that he had a conflict of interest.
- (5) On what date was the Minister advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (6) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise the Minister that he had a conflict of interest.
- (7) On what date was the Executive Director of Major Projects, Mr James Cain, advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (8) What action did Mr James Cain take.
- (9) On what date did Mr James Cain advise the Minister or the Minister's office of this.
- (10) On what date was the probity auditor appointed.
- (11) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (12) If the Minister was advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest, what did the Minister do to protect the integrity of the tender process.
- (13) If Mr Neil O'Keefe resigned in May 2004, why was a public announcement delayed until August 2004.
- (14) On what date was the Minister advised that the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid had been renamed Showcase Victoria.
- (15) Were there any variations in the number and name of the companies involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and the Showcase Victoria bid; if yes, what were the variations.
- (16) On what date was the decision made to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (17) What were the names of the people who took the decision to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (18) Why was the Showcase Victoria bid dropped from the short-list.
- (19) What remuneration did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive while Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (20) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive any remuneration after he advised the Government of his resignation as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project; if yes, what was the amount.
- (21) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Terence Cuddy was involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and was also a Director of RIP3e, a company of which Mr Neil O'Keefe was also Director.

- (22) Did the probity auditor give any advice regarding the promotion of the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid by Mr Neil O'Keefe in the article featured in *The Sunday Age* dated 1 February 2004.
- (23) On what date was the Government advised that Mr Terence Cuddy was involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and was also a Director of RIP3e, a company of which Mr Neil O'Keefe was also a Director.
- (24) Did the Government at any time approve Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook's use of Mr Terence Cuddy in their bid.

535 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Agriculture —

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- (21) Did the Government at any time approve Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook's use of Mr Terence Cuddy in their bid.

536 **OFFICE FOR YOUTH** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs with reference to the Office for Youth and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration —

- (1) What are the details of all advertising campaigns indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 June 2003.
- (2) From 1 June 2003 to date, what are the details of all publications produced, indicating in each case the —
 - (a) title of the publication;
 - (b) date of issue/distribution;
 - (c) cost of production;
 - (d) quantity printed;
 - (e) name of the printer;

- (f) details of distribution, including numbers and cost;
- (g) purpose of production.

537 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of the 8.05 am train departing Sandringham on 16 August 2004 which led to a doubling of the passenger numbers on the 8.15 am train which first stopped at Ripponlea Station for approximately five minutes and then stopped completely at Windsor Station requiring passengers to disembark the train at Windsor and those that could manage to do so to board the 8.25 am ex-Sandringham train —

- (1) Why was the 8.05 am ex-Sandringham train cancelled.
- (2) Why did the 8.15 am ex-Sandringham train stop at the Ripponlea Station for approximately five minutes.
- (3) Why were passengers required to disembark from the train at Windsor Station.
- (4) What steps can the Minister take to ensure that three train loads of commuters are not expected to board one train during peak hour.

538 **CHELTENHAM RAILWAY STATION CARPARK** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to safety issues at the station's commuter carpark, which accesses Charman Road, and in particular the risk to pedestrian safety (including senior citizens, parents and children accessing Cheltenham Primary School); the current zebra crossing paint which is worn and barely visible for its purpose and the current access from Charman Road to the car park which is by way of an angular travel way and which encourages vehicles to use high speed — what steps can the Minister take to arrange for the re-engineering of the car park access to a right angle approach in order to slow vehicles down and to improve pedestrian safety.

539 **FUNDING OF LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the issue of funding for languages other than English as part of the out of school hours program — what has been the Government funding commitment for each of —

- (1) 1999–2000.
- (2) 2000–2001.
- (3) 2001–2002.
- (4) 2002–2003.
- (5) 2003–2004.

540 **CLEAN UP NOTICE TO NORTH SUBURBAN PROPERTIES PTY LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the notice directed to

North Suburban Properties Pty Ltd, the owner of premises situated at 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick, which noted the company had not complied with paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 — why has the Environment Protection Authority not enforced the terms of the clean up notice against the company.

- 541 **CLEAN UP NOTICE AGAINST SPOTLESS GROUP LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the premises situated at 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick which were formerly owned/occupied by Spotless Group Ltd — why has the Environment Protection Authority not issued a clean up notice against the Spotless Group Ltd.
- 542 **INSTALLATION OF TANKS PERMIT FOR SPOTLESS GROUP LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the land situated 227–231 Barkly Street, Brunswick on which site Spotless Group Ltd applied for a permit to install tanks — why has the Environmental Protection Authority not served Spotless Group Ltd with a clean up notice.
- 543 **ENFORCEMENT OF CLEAN UP NOTICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment — why has the Environmental Protection Authority not enforced the clean up notice it served on the proprietors of 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick.
- 544 **SECURE WELFARE SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — what secure welfare services, as defined in Section 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently provided for males and females.
- 545 **CHILDREN REMANDED IN CUSTODY** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently remanded in custody.
- 546 **SECURE WELFARE SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children have been placed in secure welfare services, as defined in Section 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999.
- 547 **CHILDREN REMANDED IN CUSTODY** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have been remanded in custody for each and every year since 1999.
- 548 **PROTECTION ORDER WARRANTS FOR CHILDREN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many warrants have been issued to return children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999.
- 549 **PROTECTION ORDER WARRANTS FOR CHILDREN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children, subject to protection orders, as

defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have had warrants issued to return them to their placements under section 265 of that Act for each and every year since 1999.

- 550 **CHILDREN SERVING SENTENCES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently serving sentences in juvenile justice centres.
- 551 **CHILDREN SUBJECT TO PROTECTION ORDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children have been made subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999 under each of the following categories —
- (1) Supervision orders.
 - (2) Custody to third party orders.
 - (3) Supervised custody orders.
 - (4) Custody to the Secretary orders.
 - (5) Guardianship to the Secretary orders.
 - (6) Interim protection orders.
- 552 **CHILDREN CONVICTED OF CRIMINAL OFFENCES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have been convicted of criminal offences resulting in a custodial sentence for each and every year since 1999.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 68

Wednesday 15 September 2004

553 **TRAIN FAILURES AT WALLAN** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the failures at Wallan of the 0724 Seymour V/Line service and the 0750 Albury V/Line service on Friday 10 September 2004 —

- (1) Did both of these services fail.
- (2) What caused the 'Sprinter' (Seymour service) and locomotive (Albury service) to fail.
- (3) Where were each of the items of motive power repaired and at what cost.
- (4) Have both items of motive power returned to service; if so, on what date did they return to service; if not, how long will they be out of service.
- (5) How many coaches were hired to replace each train.
- (6) Did any coaches replacing the Albury service run all the way from Wallan to Albury without passengers being required to further change coaches; if not, why not.

554 **DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE IBM GLOBAL SERVICES CONTRACT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Department of Infrastructure's contracts with IBM Global Services' Ballarat office —

- (1) What dates do the various contracts expire.
- (2) What items are covered by each contract.

555 **V/LINE SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Will V/Line lease B76 from Southern Short Haul Railroad; if not, why not.
- (2) How many of the following items of motive power were in service with V/Line on 15 September 2004 —
 - (a) Sprinters;
 - (b) 'N' class locomotives;
 - (c) 'P' class locomotives;
 - (d) 'S' class locomotives;

- (e) 'A' class locomotives;
 - (f) Locomotive-hauled carriages.
- (3) How many of each item of motive power listed above were being serviced and were therefore out of service on 15 September 2004 at —
- (a) EDI Rail Newport;
 - (b) EDI Rail Dudley Street;
 - (c) South Dynon;
 - (d) elsewhere.
- (4) How many of each item of motive power listed in sub-question (2) did V/Line require to run its full scheduled weekday service on 15 September 2004.
- (5) How many scheduled rail services were operated by road coaches on 15 September 2004 and what was the reason for any such substitutions.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 69

Thursday 16 September 2004

This issue provides a numerical reference to questions remaining unanswered.

The full text of unanswered questions will be issued on a periodical basis during the session. The text was last issued in Questions on Notice No 66.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

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1	Tuesday 25 February 2003	Nos 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11.
3	Thursday 27 February 2003	No 36.
7	Tuesday 25 March 2003	No 77.
12	Tuesday 29 April 2003	Nos 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164 and 165.
16	Thursday 8 May 2003	No 183.
17	Tuesday 20 May 2003	No 186b.
21	Wednesday 4 June 2003	No 209.
23	Tuesday 26 August 2003	Nos 230, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245 and 246.
24	Wednesday 27 August 2003	Nos 238aj, 238ao, 239aj and 247.
26	Tuesday 16 September 2003	Nos 255, 256, 257, 260, 265, 266, 267, 274, 285, 286, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315a, 315b, 319b, 321, 322, 323 and 324.
29	Tuesday 7 October 2003	Nos 329, 333 and 334.

30	Wednesday 8 October 2003	No 343.
32	Tuesday 14 October 2003	No 344.
33	Wednesday 15 October 2003	No 350.
34	Thursday 16 October 2003	No 354.
35	Tuesday 28 October 2003	Nos 355, 356, 357, 358a, 358c, 359a, 359c, 360b, 360c, 360e, 360i, 360j, 360k, 360l, 360n, 360p, 360ah, 360ai, 360aj, 360ak, 360am, 360an, 361c, 361e, 361f, 361h, 361i, 361j, 361k, 361n, 361p, 361ac, 361ah, 361ai, 361aj, 361ak, 361am, 361ap, 368, 369, 370 and 371.
36	Wednesday 29 October 2003	No 372.
40	Tuesday 18 November 2003	Nos 378 and 380.
42	Thursday 20 November 2003	Nos 385 and 386.
43	Tuesday 25 November 2003	Nos 388a, 388b and 390.
45	Tuesday 2 March 2004	Nos 396, 398a, 398b, 399a, 399c, 400b, 401a, 401b, 402a, 402b, 405a, 405b, 407a, 407c, 409, 410a, 410b, 410c, 410d, 410e, 410f, 410g, 410h, 410i, 410j, 410k, 410l, 410m, 410n, 410o, 410p, 410q, 410r, 410s, 410t, 410u, 410v, 410w, 410x, 410z, 410aa, 410ab, 410ac, 410ad, 410ae, 410af, 410ag, 410ah, 410ai, 410aj, 410ak, 410al, 410am, 410an, 410ao and 410ap.
46	Wednesday 3 March 2004	Nos 411i, 411l, 411x, 411aa, 411af, 411ag, 411aj, 411ak, 411am, 411ao, 412, 413, 414, 416 and 421.
48	Tuesday 30 March 2004	Nos 423, 424, 426, 427a, 427b, 427c, 430 and 431.
49	Wednesday 31 March 2004	Nos 432, 434, 436 and 437.
51	Tuesday 20 April 2004	Nos 438, 439 and 440.
52	Wednesday 21 April 2004	Nos 441, 443, 448 and 449.
54	Tuesday 4 May 2004	Nos 454, 455, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 465, 466, 467, 468 and 469.

55	Wednesday 5 May 2004	Nos 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 482b, 483b and 484b.
57	Tuesday 11 May 2004	Nos 485, 486, 487a, 487b, 487c, 488a and 488b.
58	Wednesday 12 May 2004	Nos 489, 490, 491 and 492.
59	Thursday 13 May 2004	No 494.
60	Tuesday 25 May 2004	No 497.
61	Wednesday 26 May 2004	No 498a.
62	Thursday 27 May 2004	Nos 499 and 500.
63	Tuesday 1 June 2004	Nos 501, 502, 503 and 504.
64	Thursday 3 June 2004	No 506.
65	Tuesday 24 August 2004	Nos 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513a, 513b, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524 and 525.
67	Tuesday 14 September 2004	Nos 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551 and 552.
68	Wednesday 15 September 2004	Nos 553, 554 and 555.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 70

Tuesday 5 October 2004

556 **KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL PLANNING PERMIT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the conditions of the Council's Planning Permit No 360/91 and the non compliance by the owners/occupiers of the land situated at the corner of Tootals Road and Old Dandenong Road, Dingley Village with multiple Pollution Abatement Notices served on them by the Environment Protection Authority —

- (1) What action has the Government taken to alleviate the public health concerns of residents resulting from the discharge of pollutants from the site.
- (2) What steps will the Government take to protect the health interests of the local Dingley community and to enforce the terms of the Pollution Abatement Notices.

557 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the answer to question 492 received on 4 October 2004 relating to the urgently needed capital upgrades for Traralgon South Primary School and the meeting promised by the Minister between the regional staff and the School that did not take place in September —

- (1) When will the meeting take place.
- (2) When will the School get its much needed permanent replacements for its decaying portable classrooms.

558 **FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport further to the answer to question 350 received on 4 October 2004 — what was the farebox revenue collected for each of the ticket types by zone for —

- (1) 2003–2004;
- (2) The first quarter of 2004–2005.

559 **ROAD SAFETY PROJECTS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What amount has been spent on road safety projects with the word 'motorcycle' or 'motorcyclists' in their title or other commonly used descriptors, or otherwise aimed principally at enhancing motorcyclists' rather than just general road users' safety in —

- (a) 2002–2003;
 - (b) 2003–2004
 - (c) the first quarter of 2004–2005.
- (2) What was the name of each project, its location, aim and cost in each year or quarter.

560 **V/LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many passenger journeys were made on V/Line trains or coaches in each quarter from the June 2002 quarter to the September 2004 quarter inclusive.
- (2) How many passengers were tallied on each individual V/Line rail or coach service operated on Tuesday 5 October 2004, including Department of Infrastructure (DOI) services that appear in the V/Line timetable.
- (3) What was the number of individual journeys, including those passengers connecting to V/Line or DOI road coach services made on the following lines in each of August 2002, August 2003 and August 2004 —
 - (a) Geelong/South Geelong;
 - (b) beyond South Geelong to stations from Winchelsea to Warrnambool;
 - (c) Ballarat;
 - (d) Beaufort to Ararat;
 - (e) Bendigo;
 - (f) Dingee to Swan Hill;
 - (g) Seymour;
 - (h) Nagambie to Shepparton;
 - (i) Avenel to Albury;
 - (j) Traralgon;
 - (k) Rosedale to Bairnsdale;
 - (l) beyond Cranbourne to Leongatha;
 - (m) beyond Cranbourne to Inverloch.

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- (4) How many adult fare passengers held V/Line Date to Date tickets on 5 October 2004 on the following lines —
- (a) South Geelong;
 - (b) Ballarat;
 - (c) Bendigo;
 - (d) Seymour;
 - (e) Traralgon.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 71

Thursday 7 October 2004

This issue provides a numerical reference to questions remaining unanswered.

The full text of unanswered questions will be issued on a periodical basis during the session. The text was last issued in Questions on Notice No 66.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

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3	Thursday 27 February 2003	No 36.
7	Tuesday 25 March 2003	No 77.
12	Tuesday 29 April 2003	Nos 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164 and 165.
16	Thursday 8 May 2003	No 183.
17	Tuesday 20 May 2003	No 186b.
21	Wednesday 4 June 2003	No 209.
23	Tuesday 26 August 2003	Nos 230, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245 and 246.
24	Wednesday 27 August 2003	Nos 238aj, 238ao, 239aj and 247.
26	Tuesday 16 September 2003	Nos 255, 256, 257, 260, 265, 266, 267, 274, 285, 286, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315a, 315b, 319b, 321, 322, 323 and 324.
29	Tuesday 7 October 2003	Nos 329, 333 and 334.

32	Tuesday 14 October 2003	No 344.
34	Thursday 16 October 2003	No 354.
35	Tuesday 28 October 2003	Nos 355, 356, 357, 358a, 358c, 359a, 359c, 360b, 360c, 360e, 360i, 360j, 360k, 360l, 360n, 360p, 360ah, 360ai, 360aj, 360ak, 360am, 360an, 361c, 361e, 361f, 361h, 361i, 361j, 361k, 361n, 361p, 361ac, 361ah, 361ai, 361aj, 361ak, 361am, 361ap, 368, 369, 370 and 371.
36	Wednesday 29 October 2003	No 372.
40	Tuesday 18 November 2003	Nos 378 and 380.
42	Thursday 20 November 2003	Nos 385 and 386.
43	Tuesday 25 November 2003	Nos 388a, 388b and 390.
45	Tuesday 2 March 2004	Nos 396, 398a, 398b, 399a, 399c, 400b, 401a, 401b, 402a, 402b, 405a, 405b, 410a, 410b, 410c, 410d, 410e, 410f, 410g, 410h, 410i, 410j, 410k, 410l, 410m, 410n, 410o, 410p, 410q, 410r, 410s, 410t, 410u, 410v, 410w, 410x, 410z, 410aa, 410ab, 410ac, 410ad, 410ae, 410af, 410ag, 410ah, 410ai, 410aj, 410ak, 410al, 410am, 410an, 410ao and 410ap.
46	Wednesday 3 March 2004	Nos 411i, 411aj, 411ao, 413, 414, 416 and 421.
48	Tuesday 30 March 2004	Nos 423, 424, 426, 430 and 431.
49	Wednesday 31 March 2004	Nos 434, 436 and 437.
51	Tuesday 20 April 2004	Nos 438, 439 and 440.
52	Wednesday 21 April 2004	Nos 441, 448 and 449.
54	Tuesday 4 May 2004	Nos 454, 455, 461, 463, 465, 466, 467, 468 and 469.
55	Wednesday 5 May 2004	Nos 472, 473, 474, 477, 478, 482b, 483b and 484b.
57	Tuesday 11 May 2004	Nos 486, 487b, 487c, and 488b.
59	Thursday 13 May 2004	No 494.
61	Wednesday 26 May 2004	No 498a.

64	Thursday 3 June 2004	No 506.
65	Tuesday 24 August 2004	Nos 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513a, 513b, 514, 515, 516, 518, 519, 521, 524 and 525.
67	Tuesday 14 September 2004	Nos 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551 and 552.
68	Wednesday 15 September 2004	Nos 553, 554 and 555.
70	Tuesday 5 October 2004	Nos 556, 557, 558, 559 and 560.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 72

Tuesday 12 October 2004

561 **ASSESSMENT OF BOONERWRUNG INTERESTS FROM GEOLOGICAL AND TERRITORIAL PERSPECTIVES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the report titled *Assessment of Boonerwung interests from geological and territorial perspectives* prepared by Dr Clark of the Department of Justice —

- (1) What was the cost of the report.
- (2) For what purpose was it prepared.
- (3) To date, why has access to the report been restricted.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 73

Wednesday 13 October 2004

562 **MELBOURNE BUS LINK** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to correspondence received from a constituent relaying an incident which occurred on Melbourne Bus Link on Sunday 10 October 2004 where a bus scheduled to leave Sandringham Railway Station at 2.04 pm did not depart and instead was driven back to the bus depot much to the inconvenience and annoyance of the passengers, who had boarded the bus at 2.00 pm but were told to disembark at 2.30 pm because the replacement driver was unavailable, this delay being of apparent amusement to the bus driver who passed several comments about being paid overtime whilst waiting for the replacement driver —

- (1) What was the reason for the cancellation.
- (2) Why was there a lack of appropriate consideration for passengers already on the bus.
- (3) What steps will be taken to ensure that this incident is not repeated.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 74

Thursday 14 October 2004

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 FEBRUARY 2003

- 4 **ENTERPRISE BARGAINING AGREEMENT — UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION —** Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the agreement signed with the Country Fire Authority (CFA) and the Metropolitan Fire Emergency Services Board (MFESB) —
- (1) What is the total additional financial impact of the agreement on the budget of each of the CFA and the MFESB, in dollar and percentage terms, for the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
 - (2) What is the direct additional budgetary contribution of the State Government, in dollar and percentage terms, towards such increased expenditures in each of the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
- 5 **VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VEHICLE FLEET —** Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002.
- 8 **COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY VEHICLE FLEET —** Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002 —
- (1) How many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria.
 - (2) How many tankers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (3) What was the average age (years of service) of the tankers deployed.
 - (4) How many pumpers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (5) What was the average age (years of service) of pumpers deployed.
- 9 **ACTIVE COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY PERSONNEL —** Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002, what was the number of active Country Fire Authority —

- (1) Volunteers.
 - (2) Career firefighters.
- 10 **ACTIVE VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many active volunteers were there as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002.
- 11 **EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISE (CORE)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Corrections, as at 31 December 1999, 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002, what was —
- (1) The total number of effective full-time employees.
 - (2) The actual cost of employee remuneration and entitlements.

QUESTION ASKED ON 27 FEBRUARY 2003

- 36 **GOVERNMENT'S DIGITAL MEDIA FUND** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —
- (1) What amount has MediaNet received from the fund.
 - (2) On what date did MediaNet receive this amount.

QUESTION ASKED ON 25 MARCH 2003

- 77 **MITCHAM/FRANKSTON FREEWAY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How much has already been expended on land acquisition for the Freeway.
 - (2) How much of this funding came from —
 - (a) VicRoads;
 - (b) the Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) the Commonwealth Government; and
 - (d) other sources.
 - (3) With reference to the acquisition of parcels of land over 100 square metres —
 - (a) how many remain to be acquired for the Freeway;

- (b) which suburb is each parcel of land located in;
- (c) what is the size of each parcel;
- (d) what are the nearest cross streets or other identifiers;
- (e) what is the total estimated cost of the remaining land acquisitions; and
- (f) what is the proposed timetable for each of the land acquisitions yet to be completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 29 APRIL 2003

147 **BUSINESS INNOVATION WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Business Innovation Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$240,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

148 **EXPORT VALUE CHAIN NETWORKS AND CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Value Chain Networks and Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 149 **FINANCE FOR GROWTH** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Finance for Growth funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$60,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 150 **FIRST STEP EXPORT PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the First Step Export Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 151 **GLOBAL PURCHASING STRATEGY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Global Purchasing Strategy funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 152 **GOING GLOBAL** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Going Global funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 153 **HIGH PERFORMANCE MANUFACTURING CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the High Performance Manufacturing Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$190,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 154 **INDUSTRY CAPABILITY MISSIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Industry Capability Missions funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$930,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 155 **INNOVATION INSIGHTS VISITS PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Innovation Insights Visits Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 156 **KEYNOTE CONFERENCE AND SEMINARS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to keynote conference and seminars funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 157 **NEW TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to new technology demonstrations funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$310,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 158 **PARTNERS AT WORK (HIGH PERFORMANCE WORKPLACES)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Partners at Work (High Performance Workplaces) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$900,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 159 **PROMOTING THE IMAGE OF MANUFACTURING AND MANUFACTURING HALL OF FAME** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to promoting the Image of Manufacturing and Manufacturing Hall of Fame funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$500,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 160 **STRATEGIC AUDIT OF VICTORIAN INDUSTRY PLANS IMPLEMENTATION (PARTNERS AT WORK)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Strategic Audit of Victorian Industry Plans implementation (Partners at Work) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$1,600,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and

- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

161 **SCHOLARSHIPS IN AREAS OF FUTURE SKILLS NEEDS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Scholarships in Areas of Future Skills Needs funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

162 **TECHNOLOGY EVALUATION PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Evaluation Projects funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

163 **TECHNOLOGY ROADMAP AND SKILLS STUDIES** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Roadmap and Skills Studies funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;

- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

164 **VALUE CHAIN WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Value Chain Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$160,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

165 **EXPORT COMMUNICATION NETWORK** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Communication Network funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$410,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

QUESTION ASKED ON 8 MAY 2003

183 **INQUIRY INTO PAST ADOPTION PRACTICES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Community Services — when does the Government propose to honour its 1999 election commitment to hold a Parliamentary inquiry into past adoption practices, particularly in the period after the second world war until the proclamation of the *Adoption Act 1984*.

QUESTION ASKED ON 20 MAY 2003

186 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) CABINET SUBCOMMITTEE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

186b Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

With reference to the Minister for Information and Communication Technology's announcement of 6 May 2003 of a new Government ICT strategy subcommittee of Cabinet to be chaired by the Premier, in recognition of the strategic importance of ICT —

- (1) Who is on the subcommittee.
- (2) Who will service and/or advise the subcommittee.
- (3) What are the duties of the subcommittee.

QUESTION ASKED ON 4 JUNE 2003

209 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the breakdown of the \$660 million that the Government has committed to ICT, as stated in the media release of 17 October 2002 entitled *Victoria's Information Technology Report*, including details of each component of the \$660 million and individual expenditure items within each component.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 26 AUGUST 2003

230 **MAINTENANCE FOR POINT NEPEAN DEFENCE LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for the Environment — from where will the promised \$10–\$15 million maintenance funding for the land be sourced.

240 **CeBIT AMERICA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — how much funding was provided to each of the five Victorian companies that attended CeBIT America, an information technology trade fair, in New York this year.

241 **E-COMMERCE ROADSHOWS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to e-commerce roadshows —

- (1) How many have taken place between 1 June 2002 and 26 August 2003.
- (2) What was the location and date of each.

- (3) What was the cost of each.
- 243 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SYNCHROTRON** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Innovation — has the Government sought financial assistance or support from the Commonwealth Government in relation to the construction of the Synchrotron or for beamline funding; if so, when was this request made.
- 244 **GROWING TOMORROW'S INDUSTRIES TODAY STATEMENT** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to the statement and the targets for information and communication technologies — which companies contributed to the 800 new jobs created in Victoria last year and what was the number each contributed.
- 245 **MULTIMEDIA VICTORIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —
- (1) What is the total number of full-time equivalent staff within Multimedia Victoria as at 26 August 2003.
 - (2) How will Multimedia Victoria —
 - (a) improve the operation of business and government;
 - (b) increase the use of information and communication technologies by Victorians;
 - (c) reduce the inequity in the use of information and communication technologies across Victoria; and
 - (d) grow the information industries sector.
- 246 **TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM FUNDING** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the total amount of funding provided by the Government since 2000, the name of each recipient and the amount received by each recipient under the —
- (1) Customer Access Network Demonstration Program.
 - (2) E-Commerce Exhibition Projects Program.
 - (3) E-gaps funding.
 - (4) Skills.net funding.
 - (5) Next Wave Program.
 - (6) My Connected Community program.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 AUGUST 2003

¹238 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

238aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

²239 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

239aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 July 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

247 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for WorkCover —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001, with the exception of the Transport Accident Commission and the Victorian WorkCover Authority where the commencement date should be from 1 July 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

¹ Question published in substitution of No 238 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

² Question published in substitution of No 239 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2003

- 255 **CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE IN LANGUAGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of three centres of excellence in languages —
- (1) Where will the centres be established.
 - (2) When will the centres be established.
 - (3) Who will have access to these facilities.
 - (4) Who will not have access to these facilities.
 - (5) What will be the eligibility criteria.
 - (6) What will be the indicators of success.
 - (7) What will be the languages taught at each centre.
 - (8) Against what criteria will the languages be selected.
 - (9) What programs and facilities will these centres offer.
 - (10) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 256 **VICTORIAN SCHOOLS OF LANGUAGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of an additional five Victorian schools of languages —
- (1) What new programs or resources will these schools provide compared with the existing School of Languages.
 - (2) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 257 **ACCESS TO EXCELLENCE PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What is the working definition of 'excellence' for the purpose of the program.
 - (2) What are the factors inhibiting teenagers' engagement at school which the program will address and how will the program address these problems.
 - (3) What methods will be used to gauge the effectiveness of the program on teenage engagement.

- (4) What criteria defines an approach as 'locally relevant' and who will undertake this assessment and make the determination.
- (5) What criteria will be applied to determine if an approach is 'innovative'.
- (6) Which programs have been deemed not to be 'innovative'.
- (7) Which schools classify as schools in need of 'assistance to achieve outcomes' for the purposes of the program.
- (8) Who in the Department of Education and Training makes these determinations.
- (9) What are the criteria used to determine these decisions.
- (10) What outcomes will the program help these schools achieve.
- (11) What methods will be used to measure performance.
- (12) What will be the ratio of teachers to students within the program.
- (13) How many additional hours of contact on a per student basis does the program anticipate per year.
- (14) What method or methods will be used to measure the effectiveness in the schools involved in this project of the 300 additional teachers in the system with reference to their impact on —
 - (a) absenteeism;
 - (b) literacy levels;
 - (c) numeracy levels;
 - (d) retention rates; and
 - (e) post-school transition.

266 **SCHOOL SPRINKLER SYSTEMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 87b received on 26 August 2003 — what reports does the Minister have on the cost-benefit analysis of installing sprinklers in —

- (1) Existing schools.
- (2) New schools.
- (3) Portables.

- 267 **ALBERT PARK, BAYSIDE, COPPERFIELD, CRAIGIEBURN, EPPING, FERNTREE, HEATHERHILL, LALOR NORTH, RESERVOIR DISTRICT AND SOUTH OAKLEIGH SECONDARY COLLEGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 108a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the precise protocols for public release of data referred to, when were they last reviewed and by whom.
- 274 **CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 135b received on 26 August 2003 — what are the names of the regular schools which have more than 30 students who receive additional funding through the Program for Students with Disabilities.
- 285 **VICTORIAN STUDENT ASSESSMENT MONITOR (VSAM)** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 188a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) Has the study being carried out by RMIT Test Lab been completed and what are the results.
 - (2) Is there a written report and will it be made available publicly.
- 286 **FRAMEWORK FOR STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 185b received on 26 August 2003 — has there been any audit or review of the student welfare and curriculum teams; if yes, what are the results.
- 301 **COMPLETION OF JAMIESON WAY PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located in Point Cook —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 302 **COMPLETION OF TRUGANINA SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north of Werribee —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

- 303 **COMPLETION OF TARNEIT PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north west of Werribee —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 304 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 305 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES SECONDARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 306 **COMPLETION OF LAURIMAR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located near Yan Yean —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 307 **COMPLETION OF EPPING NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 308 **COMPLETION OF CAROLINE SPRINGS SCHOOL YEARS 9-12 CAMPUS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.

- (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

315 **MINISTERIAL TRIPS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

315a Minister for Education and Training

315b Minister for Education Services

- (1) What overseas and interstate trips on ministerial business has the Minister undertaken since the 2002 election.
- (2) What were the purposes of each such trip.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 7 OCTOBER 2003

333 **MARYBOROUGH EDUCATION PRECINCT MASTER-PLAN** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 129a received on 26 August 2003 — how many school principals will be employed.

334 **CONDUCT AND ETHICS BRANCH OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article in the *Herald Sun* of 25 September 2003 entitled 'Job cuts may help teacher pedophiles' which said, in part, 'The State Government's plan to weed out pedophiles from schools could be hindered by their own job cuts. The Education Department's conduct and ethics branch employs 10 staff whose roles include checking some teachers' police records and doing background checks on non-teaching staff. The conduct and ethics branch, as part of the department's central office, is in the firing line of a restructure announced by Education Minister Lynne Kosky last month, which will slash about 330 Education Department jobs' — is any change to the branch planned; if so, what is it and why is it being done.

QUESTION ASKED ON 14 OCTOBER 2003

344 **TEACHER RELEASE TO INDUSTRY PROGRAM** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training —

- (1) What has been the funding commitment to the Program for 1998–1999, 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004.
- (2) How many teachers participated in the Program for the period 1998 to 2003.
- (3) What were the range of industries in which the teachers were involved.
- (4) What evaluation has been undertaken of the Program and what were the chief recommendations.

- (5) What is the Government's funding commitment for 2004.

QUESTION ASKED ON 16 OCTOBER 2003

- 354 **TRUANCY DATA** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the Minister's comments quoted in *The Age* on 9 May 2003 which said in part: 'The Education Department will also keep more detailed data on truancy. Previously, truancy and absences approved by parents were listed in the one figure. From this year, the department will collect separate data. You do need to get a sense of why the non-attendance has happened and whether it's sporadic days or whether it's groups of days'— what detailed data has been collected and what does the data show.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 28 OCTOBER 2003

- 355 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum — what is the rationale for the proposal and what progress has been made in implementing it.
- 356 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the growing interest in VCE psychology among young people and the high rates of mental illness and suicide — how is a proposal to remove mental health issues from the curriculum justified.
- 357 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the suggestion that one of the main reasons for the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum is the lack of sufficiently well trained teachers in this subject — what resources has the Department put into recruiting and training the teachers needed for this subject.
- 358 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 358a Minister for Community Services
- 358c Minister for Education Services
- (1) Have some families been on the early intervention waiting list for the Service for over two years.
- (2) What is the Government doing to eliminate waiting lists for these families in such a crucial time for their children.

359 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

359a Minister for Community Services

359c Minister for Education Services

Are there any plans for additional government support to employ more travelling teachers for the Service to eliminate waiting lists, so families can expect the service they deserve and need for immediate early intervention.

360 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

360ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department or private office since 27 March 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

361 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

361ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 5 December 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

368 **REDEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the itemised list of estates earmarked for redevelopment or neighbourhood renewal programs, including a progress report on each public housing site.
- (2) Whether the redevelopment of these estates involves contributions in kind from the not-for-profit sector or private developers, including details of the type of contribution made towards each such redevelopment.
- (3) What are the details of public estates where the Government has already undertaken or proposes to undertake the subdivision and sell the land for private sector development.
- (4) What are the details of the type of contractual arrangement the Government proposes to negotiate with 'private developers' to encourage a mix of private and public housing developments on Government-owned sites.

- (5) What are the details of private investors who have submitted a joint venture proposal for the redevelopment of public housing estates.

369 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AT RALEIGH STREET, WINDSOR** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of the estate —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the Council; if so, when.
- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) What is the 2002–2003 budget for the redevelopment.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.

370 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of each of Victory Boulevard in Ashburton, Thomson Estate in Geelong East, Rathdowne Street in Carlton, Raglan Ingles Estate in Port Melbourne, Elizabeth Street in Richmond, Kensington Estate in Kensington, Long Gully in Bendigo, Maidstone/Braybrook Estate, Mark/Rundle Estate in Wodonga, Parkside Estate in Shepparton and Peace Court in Doveton —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the relevant Council; if so, when.
- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) How much has been budgeted for this development in 2003–2004.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.
- (8) Broken down by the number of bedrooms, how many units will be available as a result of this redevelopment for —
 - (a) public housing; and
 - (b) private housing.

- 371 **WENDOUREE WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PROJECT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —
- (1) What is the total expected cost of the project.
 - (2) What is the amount in the 2003–2004 State budget for the project.
 - (3) When is work scheduled to commence on the 11 properties whose tenants have decided on design options for their properties.
 - (4) What is the budget for 2003–2004 for —
 - (a) physical improvements and redevelopment of properties; and
 - (b) all other elements of the project.
 - (5) How many public properties will be redeveloped as part of this project.
 - (6) What is the total cost of the redevelopment of these properties.
 - (7) Has a developer been selected for the redevelopment; if so, who.
 - (8) What is the commencement date of the works.
 - (9) What is the anticipated completion date of the works.

QUESTION ASKED ON 29 OCTOBER 2003

- 372 **ASBESTOS IN MELBOURNE YARD STABLING SIDINGS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each of the Broadmeadows, Cranbourne, Frankston, Pakenham, Sandringham, Watergardens, Werribee, Williamstown and Upfield lines between 15 and 24 October 2003 inclusive as a result of asbestos being found in the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.
 - (2) What was the scheduled time of departure from its terminus of all trains cancelled on each line, and on what dates was each cancelled.
 - (3) What steps are being taken to ensure that any further asbestos residues are immediately discovered and then removed from inner city stabling sidings such as in the North Melbourne area, closer to North Melbourne station than the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 18 NOVEMBER 2003

378 **HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES** — Mr Ryan to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) Why is the Hazardous Waste Siting Advisory Committee not mentioned in any of the material released by the Government and did it play any role in the site selection.
- (2) Where were the other 100, 14 and six sites that were originally identified before the Government came up with the final three at Violet Town, Pittong and Tiega.
- (3) Why is it that the soil recycling facility at Dutson Downs will not be subject to an environmental effects statement when these three sites will be.
- (4) What were the '30 stringent criteria' used by the Government to identify the three sites.
- (5) On what criteria were two thirds of the State ruled out through computer mapping alone.
- (6) How can it be possible that no suitable Crown land could be found.
- (7) Why is it that, given the Government expects the facility to be highly secure, no sites were short-listed in the metropolitan area where the bulk of the waste will come from.
- (8) How long has this process been underway and were any tests taken on private land without the consent of landholders.

380 **BASSLINK PTY LTD** — Mr Ingram to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to the construction of the Basslink Pty Ltd marine cable and its impact on commercial and recreational fisheries —

- (1) In relation to the code of conduct for commercial fishers as required by the Minister for Planning —
 - (a) has Basslink Pty Ltd prepared a code of conduct for commercial fishers as required;
 - (b) has the Government approved the code and when will it be publicly available;
 - (c) will the code be agreed to before the Basslink project commences;
 - (d) if a code of conduct cannot be agreed to, will the Minister ensure that issues of concern are addressed;
 - (e) with which fishing groups and individuals did the proponents consult in developing the code; and
 - (f) did the proponents consult with Gippsland fishers such as those from Yarram, Port Albert, Mcloughlin's Beach, Lakes Entrance, Port Welshpool and Port Franklin, if not, why not; if so, with whom.

- (2) In the consultation process, what changes were made from the draft code of conduct to reflect the concerns raised by the commercial fishers.
- (3) Did the proponents consult with the recreational fishers of Gippsland who will actually be fishing and anchoring in the Victorian waters where the sub-sea cables are proposed to be laid.
- (4) As the planned use of the metallic return cable results in a magnetic field which will cause deviation of magnetic boat compasses, how is this safety information being provided to all Gippsland fishers.
- (5) As the commercial fishers at Port Albert have not accepted the use of the Bruce anchor, why is it still being endorsed by Basslink.
- (6) As the movement of the strong Bass Strait currents through the magnetic field of the bundled sub-sea cables creates an induced electric field which will be detected by sharks and rays, what studies have been conducted by Basslink to confirm the changes in shark and ray behaviour which may occur when the cables are in use.
- (7) Will the operating cables cause more sharks to swim inshore close to the public swimming beaches along the tourist attraction of the Ninety Mile Beach.
- (8) What studies have been undertaken to assess the impact on tourism in the area.
- (9) If, in the event that Basslink is constructed with metallic return marine cables bundled together instead of the more benign coaxial cable, and sharks and rays follow the cable as scientific research suggests, will the Government have the power to force the operators to turn off the cable.
- (10) Will the Government have the power to force the owner of the cable to remove the metallic return configuration and have it replaced with coaxial cable.
- (11) If the cable needs to be modified after construction, who will be required to bear the cost of modification.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 NOVEMBER 2003

- 385 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BEACH ROAD, BEAUMARIS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,657 fines being issued following 195.77 hours of operation and raising \$403,864 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.
- 386 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BLUFF ROAD, HAMPTON** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,522 fines being issued following 134.94 hours of operation and raising \$383,344 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera

operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 NOVEMBER 2003

388 **ERRATIC OR DANGEROUS DRIVING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

388a Minister for Police and Emergency Services

388b Minister for Transport

- (1) How many reports of persons aged 65 or over claimed to be driving erratically or dangerously have Victoria Police submitted to VicRoads since 1 January 2003.
- (2) How many of these reports emanated from driving instructors.
- (3) How many driving licences held by persons aged 65 years or over have been suspended or had conditions placed on them for alleged erratic or dangerous driving since 1 January 2003.

390 **LIBRA CONSULTING** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to services provided to Victoria Police by Libra Consulting — how many hours of service were invoiced, and what were the total amounts paid to Libra Consulting in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 2 MARCH 2004

396 **BUSH NURSING CENTRES IN VICTORIA** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care —

- (1) To provide a list of the Centres which have been funded by the Department of Human Services.
- (2) To provide details of the value of administration grants paid to each Centre.

398 **OFFICE EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

398a Minister for Innovation

398b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003, what are the details of expenses of the office of the Minister, including

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- (1) Number of ministerial staff allocated to the Minister.

- (2) Staff salaries and on-costs.
- (3) Other recurrent ministerial office operating expenses.
- (4) Minister's and/or office international flights and destination of international flights.
- (5) Minister's and/or office domestic flights.
- (6) Travel-related expenses.
- (7) Alcohol costs.

399 **DEPARTMENTAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

399a Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

399c Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all advertising campaigns relating to the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration, indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 January 2003.

400 **CHARTER FLIGHT COSTS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

400b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology
Since 1 January 2003 to date, what are the details for all charter flights, including helicopters and light planes, used by the Minister and/or the Minister's office indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Carrier.
- (3) Destination.
- (4) Cost.
- (5) Purpose.

401 **CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

401a Minister for Innovation

401b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of each consultancy commissioned by the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration since 1 January 2003, indicating for each —

- (1) Date.

- (2) Cost.
- (3) Purpose.
- (4) Name and address of consultant.
- (5) Recommendations made.
- (6) Action taken in response to any recommendations.
- (7) Whether tenders were called.

402 **DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

402a Minister for Innovation

402b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all publications produced by the Minister's department, indicating in each case —

- (1) Title.
- (2) Date of issue and distribution.
- (3) Cost of production.
- (4) Number printed.
- (5) Printer's name.
- (6) Details of distribution, including numbers and cost.
- (7) The purpose of the production.

405 **ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

405a Minister for Innovation

405b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

With reference to the Minister's office and/or departmental resources used by the Minister, what are the details of all entertainment expenses incurred, indicating —

- (1) The total costs.
- (2) Itemised details of all expenditure over \$500 including —
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) number of guests;

- (c) cost;
- (d) purpose; and
- (e) name of the service provider.

410 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

410ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance

410aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology

410ao Minister for WorkCover

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) Since 20 October 1999, how many jobs awarded to the company were exempted from the Victorian Government Purchasing Board.
- (2) On what grounds were exemptions given.
- (3) Was a certificate of exemption issued.
- (4) Who signed the documents granting exemption.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 3 MARCH 2004

411 **WORKPLACE BULLYING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

411i Minister for Education Services

411aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology

411ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) How many cases of bullying in the workplace have been reported to each department or agency under the aegis of the Minister between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2003.
- (2) How many of these claims resulted in WorkCover cases being established.
- (3) What was the total cost of these claims.
- (4) What has been the dollar increase in premiums for each individual department or agency due to claims for bullying in the workplace.

413 **CHILD-SEX OFFENDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the visit of convicted child-sex offender Paul Cudmore to Northcote Shopping Plaza —

- (1) What was the outcome of the full examination and inquiry by the Department of Human Services announced by the Premier on 23 February 2004 into how Paul

Cudmore was able to abscond from his guardians and will the Minister make public the outcome of the inquiry.

- (2) Was recommendation 20 of the September 2001 Report of the Review Panel to Consider the Operation of the Disability Services at the Statewide Forensic Service (SFS) followed and had the staff member accompanying Mr Cudmore —
 - (a) worked for SFS for at least six months;
 - (b) undertaken and satisfactorily completed the workplace orientation and induction program;
 - (c) completed at least 18 shifts within Mr Cudmore's unit of residence.
- (3) Why were SFS rules concerning community access (leave), which state that SFS clients with a history of child-sex offences should not be taken to areas frequented by children, ignored in this case.

414 **INQUIRY INTO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the inquiry into the juvenile justice system by Mr Bob Falconer, announced by the Premier on 16 February 2004, to provide —

- (1) Terms of reference.
- (2) Timelines.
- (3) Costs.

416 **CHAIRPERSON OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the appointment of Mr Stan Naylor as Chairperson of the Central Health Interpreter Service —

- (1) What were the terms of reference for his appointment.
- (2) What were the reasons all former Board members declined to be reappointed.
- (3) What was the name of the report prepared by Mr Naylor which reviewed the Service.
- (4) What were the recommendations in the report.

421 **BOYD HOUSE** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what has been the total cost of consultancies, including legal fees, engaged by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, and Heritage Victoria and/or their representatives and agents, concerning action taken in relation to 666 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, otherwise known as the 'Boyd House', and its owner Maria Rajendrau, for each year since 30 June 1999.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 30 MARCH 2004

- 423 **BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS (BEST)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —
- (1) Is there a register maintained of declared gifts, gratuities or other benefits, as received by BEST management, employees and contractors, from external companies, organisations or individuals.
 - (2) If there is no register, what probity measures are in place to ensure that BEST management, employees and contractors are not subjected to offers of, or accept, monetary or non-monetary inducements/benefits from potential bidders, actual bidders or other stakeholders, on projects managed or overseen by BEST.
 - (3) Have any gifts, gratuities or other benefits been declared by BEST management, employees and contractors in relation to three current projects under management of BEST — the Mobile Data Terminal Network (MDT), the Melbourne Metropolitan Radio Network (MMR) and the Emergency Altering System (EAS).
- 424 **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY BURWOOD CAMPUS NORTHERN OVAL** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the discussions with the Burwood campus of Deakin University regarding the ownership and use of the site known as the Northern Oval —
- (1) When did the discussions start.
 - (2) How many discussions or meetings have taken place.
 - (3) What specifically has been discussed so far.
 - (4) What is still to be discussed.
 - (5) What agreements have been reached.
 - (6) Is one of the points of discussion about a long term recreation space agreement and, if so, how long would that agreement last.
 - (7) Has the Government offered Deakin University a price for the land and, if so, how much.
 - (8) When will the Deakin-owned portion of the Northern Oval be transferred to public ownership as stated in an e-mail from the Minister's office dated 22 November 2002 and has it been determined what it will take to make this now 15-month old promise happen.
- 426 **M>TRAIN TRAINS IN SERVICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how many Siemens six-car trains were in revenue-carrying passenger service for M>Train on Tuesday 30 March 2004.

- 430 **DIRECTOR OF VICTORIAN OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs — whether the position of Director or Acting Director of the Victorian Office of Multicultural Affairs has been filled and, if so, what process was followed to select the successful candidate.
- 431 **TRAM NETWORK RESTRICTIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) On what, if any, sections or full routes of Melbourne's tram network are the following types of trams unable to operate —
 - (a) 'D1' class three-section Combinos;
 - (b) 'D2' class five-section Combinos;
 - (c) Citadis trams.
 - (2) What action, if any, does Yarra Trams or the Department of Infrastructure intend to take to rectify any such deficiencies in the network and by what date will each specific restriction be lifted.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 31 MARCH 2004

- 434 **DRAG RACING IN ELWOOD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to drag racing on Ormond Esplanade, Elwood —
- (1) What measures have police taken to reduce this activity.
 - (2) How many people have been fined for such activity in 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 436 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services — what was the aggregate sum approved for flood relief by the Department of Human Services for the December 2003 floods and the January 2004 floods in metropolitan Melbourne.
- 437 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services —
- (1) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services receive for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.
 - (2) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services approve for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;

- (b) January 2004 floods.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 APRIL 2004

- 438 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO PROBITY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to the *Probity Plan for the Docklands Film and Television Studio Complex Project* —
- (1) Was the template Confidentiality Agreement Annex B used; if not, why.
 - (2) Were confidentiality statements obtained from all Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor.
 - (3) On what date/s were the confidentiality statements obtained.
 - (4) How many confidentiality statements were not obtained and from whom were they not obtained.
 - (5) If there was a failure to obtain confidentiality statements, including from any new consultants and team members, what was the reason.
 - (6) Were all 'movements of submissions' logged and monitored, and how many were there.
 - (7) In Phase 3 (Request for Tender) were the confidentiality statements for Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor confirmed; if not, why.
 - (8) If the confidentiality statements were confirmed, on what date/s were they confirmed.
 - (9) How many 'interviews and presentations' took place during the Request for Tender stage.
 - (10) On what dates, and with which tenderer, did these 'interviews and presentations' take place.
 - (11) Were records of interviews, meetings, agendas and file notes kept of all these 'interviews and presentations'; if not, on which dates and in relation to which tenderers were written records not kept.
 - (12) Who were the 'authorised persons' with access to 'documents which contain tender related commercially sensitive information'.
 - (13) Were all documents containing tender related commercially sensitive information 'stored at all times in secure conditions'.
 - (14) Where precisely and under what circumstances was this information stored.
 - (15) Was a 'Movement Control Register' maintained; if so, how many movements were recorded in the register.

- (16) Which tenders appeared on the Movement Control Register, on which dates were the tenders moved and returned, and to whom were the tenders issued.
 - (17) Was the electronic information kept in the manner prescribed.
 - (18) What were all the dates of meetings with Central City Studios (CCS) and were all these meetings attended by the required two persons; if not, on which date/s did meetings take place without the stipulated two persons being present.
 - (19) On which date/s was a minute taker not present.
- 439 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —
- (1) Did the Minister meet with Central City Studios (CCS) or any person/s purporting to represent CCS; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
 - (2) Did the Minister meet with Mr Peter Bartels; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
- 440 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT AUDITOR** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — why was no probity auditor appointed as at 30 August 2001 when Expression of Interests (EOIs) had already been called for.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 21 APRIL 2004

- 441 **UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ON NOTICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will questions 77, 225, 253, 254, 343, 350, 352, 372, 373, 375, 381, 382, 388b and 389 asked between 25 March 2003 and 25 November 2003 be answered.
- 448 **BIG HILL TUNNEL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What speed is presently allowed through the tunnel on the existing double track between Kyneton and Bendigo.
 - (2) What would be the fastest safe speed for a 'V'elocity' train through the tunnel if double track was retained in the exact position it is now and the track upgraded with concrete sleepers and 60 kg/m rail.
 - (3) What is the predicted actual speed of trains through the tunnel once the upgrade is complete travelling —
 - (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.

- (4) If double track was retained through the tunnel and 'V'LOCITY' trains slowed (if necessary) to the maximum safe speed through the tunnel, what would be the delay in seconds solely due to the tunnel speed restriction for trains travelling —
- (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.

449 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What is the maximum speed a 'V'LOCITY' train running on the high standard track specified for the Bendigo upgrade can reach without its predicted kinematic envelope exceeding the actual kinematic envelope of a Sprinter running at 130 km/h on the existing track.
- (2) If double track was retained and upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) track under Conlans Road Bridge at Taradale, what would be the maximum speed under the bridge of a 'V'LOCITY' train that would be 'not less safe' than existing Sprinter trains passing under Conlans Road Bridge on the existing track at 130 km/h.
- (3) Between Elphinstone and Bendigo, what are the locations of the present 'up' track that will require removal in order to realign the existing 'down' track for higher speeds and, at each location, what speed will apply after the realignment, and what would be the maximum possible safe speed if double track was retained.
- (4) What time saving is achieved solely due to each section of realigned track between Elphinstone and Bendigo, and what is the total time saving between these locations due to realigned track.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 4 MAY 2004

- 454 **ADVERTISING EXPENDITURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — what was the total amount of expenditure across the whole of the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development for advertising promotions in 2002–2003.
- 455 **VICURBAN HOUSING ACCESS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what measures have been or will be put into place to ensure future housing developments by VicUrban are more accessible, for both entry and inside the dwelling, for people with a disability.
- 461 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND RAILWAY BOOM GATES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many malfunctions of traffic lights installed in conjunction with railway boom barriers/flashing lights occurred between 1 March and 4 May 2004.

- (2) What was the longest delay applying between reporting to the VicRoads call centre, VicTrack switchboard, M>Train or Connex, and the traffic lights and boom barriers returning to normal operation.
- (3) At how many locations are combined traffic light and railway boom barriers or flashing lights installed —
 - (a) in metropolitan Melbourne;
 - (b) more than 60 kilometres from the GPO.

463 **SOUTHERN AND EASTERN INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AUTHORITY STAFF** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport

- (1) How many staff employed at the Authority were employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.
- (2) What is the expected total for remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority in —
 - (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2004–2005.
- (3) How much has been expended in remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority to 4 May 2004.
- (4) During 2004–2005 what number of staff will be employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.

465 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

466 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ and the injured person was a member of staff in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

467 **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many emergency notifications were sent by Emergency and Security Management where the type of incident included the word ‘assault’ in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 to each of —

- (1) Barwon South Western Region.
- (2) Central Highlands Wimmera Region.
- (3) Gippsland Region.
- (4) Goulburn North Eastern Region.
- (5) Loddon Campaspe Mallee Region.
- (6) Eastern Metropolitan Region.
- (7) Northern Metropolitan Region.
- (8) Southern Metropolitan Region.
- (9) Western Metropolitan Region.

469 **SCHOOL CAPITAL UPGRADES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services —

- (1) How many, and which, schools campuses received capital upgrades in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- (2) What are the details of every capital upgrade.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 MAY 2004

472 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) When are speed restrictions, slowing passenger trains between Sale and Bairnsdale, expected to be lifted.
- (2) What is the current line speed for passenger trains between Traralgon and Sale.
- (3) Do any railway bridges between Traralgon and Sale require replacement or urgent remedial work; if so —
 - (a) what is the likely cost for each location;
 - (b) when will the works be undertaken;
 - (c) what speed limits currently apply for passenger or freight trains at each location.

- 473 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) Apart from the bridge works previously publicised in the Leongatha area, have any contracts been entered into for works to reinstate regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains between —
 - (a) Ballarat, Maryborough and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
 - (2) If so —
 - (a) what was each contract for;
 - (b) with whom was it entered into;
 - (c) what amount was it for;
 - (d) when does each contract conclude.
 - (3) When will regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains again run between —
 - (a) Ballarat and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
- 474 **GAUGE STANDARDISATION PROJECT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how much would the project announced in 2001 at a cost of \$96 million, and subsequently deferred, cost in May 2004.
- 477 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 55 — what are the names of each of the primary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.
- 478 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 — what are the names of each of the secondary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.
- 482 **ESL IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the measure 'eligible students in regular schools receiving English as a Second Language (ESL) support in primary schools' —
- 482b Minister for Education and Training
- What is the reason almost nine per cent of eligible students miss out on ESL support.

483 **KOORI EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the 15 Koori educators employed —

483b Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Where are they employed.
- (2) What are their duties.

484 **HOME LIAISON EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the six home liaison officers employed —

484b Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Where are they employed.
- (2) What are their duties.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 11 MAY 2004

486 **STATE DISABILITY PLAN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to page 47 of the State Disability Plan 2002–2012 which refers to the commitment of the Government to undertake a yearly review of the priority strategies and to publish reports that show the Government's progress —

- (1) Has the yearly review been completed; if so, what was the date of completion of the review and what were its findings.
- (2) Have the reports which show the Government's progress been completed; if so, what were the dates of completion of the reports and what were their findings.

487 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE COMPENSATION** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

487c Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

- (1) Has the Government agreed to compensate the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people for allowing the Somerville Secondary College Campus to be built; if so, what form will this compensation take.
- (2) What agreement exists between any, and which, representatives of the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people.
- (3) What payments have been made to any, and which, of these representatives.

- (4) What changes to the school design will be made as a result of any such compensation agreements.

QUESTION ASKED ON 13 MAY 2004

494 **BOAT LAUNCHING RAMPS ON PORT PHILLIP BAY** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the siltation around a number of boat launching ramps on Port Phillip Bay —

- (1) Which level of Government is responsible for dredging sand around boat launching ramps.
- (2) Which level of Government is responsible for the area to the low water mark.
- (3) Which level of Government is responsible for the area between the low water mark and the high water mark.
- (4) What arrangements are in place to dredge or remove the sand around the Black Rock launching ramp at Half Moon Bay and what is the time frame for such works to be undertaken.

QUESTION ASKED ON 26 MAY 2004

498 **TAFE FEES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to Mark Latham's promise to abolish Tertiary and Further Education (TAFE) fees for secondary school students and his statement on the ABC *7:30 Report* on 12 May 2004 that Jenny Macklin has received the approval of the states and territories for this proposal —

498a Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Has Jenny Macklin spoken to the Minister about this proposal.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) when were these discussions undertaken;
 - (b) when was the abolition of any TAFE fees first discussed;
 - (c) how many/what proportion of school students actually pay TAFE fees;
 - (d) what fees are proposed to be paid by —
 - (i) students doing Vocational Education and Training (VET) in schools;
 - (ii) students doing a year 12 equivalent;

- (e) will the Government pick up the cost of the TAFE fees or will the student be required to pay, if a student drops out of secondary school;
- (f) will the Government abolish fees for school-based new apprentices;
- (g) does a student who starts a school-based new apprenticeship in year 12, and the fee is abolished, have to pay TAFE fees in the second year;
- (h) will the proposal also cover early enrolment in TAFE degrees, worth up to \$12,000 a place;
- (i) what will be the impact on State revenue;
- (j) how much compensation will the State receive for each TAFE fee abolished.

QUESTION ASKED ON 3 JUNE 2004

- 506 **ELETRONIC ELECTIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Premier — has the Premier considered the email dated 27 May 2004 of Anthony van der Craats asking that there be a review into ‘the conduct and scrutiny of electronic elections and the role of Victorian Electoral Commission amidst concerns that its software technology fails to meet basic industry standard’; if so, what is the Premier’s response.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 24 AUGUST 2004

- 507 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN STATE FORESTS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by the Department of Sustainability and Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —
- (1) Buckwong Hut No 1, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built for Gibsons.
 - (2) Buckwong Hut No 2, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built by Rusty Connley.
 - (3) Carmody’s Hut, Wild Boar Range.
 - (4) Centenary Mine Hut (Centennial), Guns Creek, West branch of Ovens River above Harrierville.
 - (5) Dunstan Logging Huts, Dunstans Logging Road, 0.5 kilometres east of Upper Papes Track —
 - (a) No 1;
 - (b) No 2;
 - (c) No 3;

(d) No 4;

(e) No 5.

(6) Gibson's (Old) Hut, Walkers Logging Track, Elliots, Damm Track.

(7) Mt Selwyn Hut, Mt Selwyn.

(8) Mulhauser Mine Hut, Bogong Saddle.

(9) Shower Block Hut, Tee Tree Range Road, Humffray River State Forest.

508 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN ALPINE NATIONAL PARK** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts in Alpine National Park managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

(1) Bogong Creek No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.

(2) Bogong Creek No 2, Upper Kiewa Valley.

(3) Batty's Hut, New Country Spur north of Mt Nelse, Batty Spur.

(4) Bogong Aqueduct No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.

(5) Bogong Aqueduct No 5, Upper Kiewa Valley.

(6) Burnside Hut, Burnside Creek, Knocker Track.

(7) Charlie Creek Hut, Davies Plain Track, Charlie Creek.

(8) Dr Searles Hut, Gibbo River Junction.

(9) Federation Hut, Bungalow Spur west of Mt Feathertop.

(10) Huggins (Honeymoon) Hut, Buckety Plain area.

(11) MacFarlanes Flat Hut, MacFarlanes Flat — built by Buff.

(12) McNamara's Hut, Buckety Plain.

(13) Michell Hut, Eskdale Spur.

(14) Mt Benambra Fire Tower, Mt Benambra.

(15) Mussurie Hut, near Pluto Creek, Gibbo River Junction.

(16) Quintet Mine Hut No 1, Swindlers Spur.

(17) Quintet Mine Hut No 2, Swindlers Spur.

- (18) Red Hut, Rocky Valley Creek, Roper Saddle.
- (19) Red Robin Battery Hut, West Kiewa River.
- (20) Ropers Hut, Duane Spur.
- (21) Sheever Spur, Dartmouth.
- (22) Springs Saddle Hut, Mt Fainter.
- (23) Sykes Dogman's Hut, New Yard Flat.
- (24) West Humffray Hut, West Humffray Road, Barry Range.

509 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN NATIONAL PARKS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Bon Accord Hut, Bon Accord Spur north of Mt Hotham.
- (2) Briggs Logging Camp Hut (West Kiewa), West Kiewa River west of Mt Fainter.
- (3) Red Robin Mine Hut, North of Mt Loch, Machinery Spur.
- (4) Reservoir Hut, Crystal Brook Reservoir, Mt Buffalo National Park.

510 **CONDITION OF HUTS ON CROWN LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Euco Stephenson's Hut, Nine Mile Creek, near Eight Mile Loop Track.
- (2) Long Plain Hut, Limestone, south of Dead Horse Creek.
- (3) Worcester Mine Hut, Bingo, via Omeo.

511 **CONDITION OF HUT AT MT HOTHAM** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of the Damm Hut, 50 metres north of Alpine Road, Dungay Hollow, on Mt Hotham Resort and if it has not been rebuilt what is the timeline for its reconstruction.

512 **REVIEW OF ACCELERATED LEARNING** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to an article, which appeared on page 15 of the *Mordialloc Chelsea Leader* on 18 August 2004, in which a spokesperson for the Minister announced that the Government will undertake a three-year review of accelerated learning programs across the state — what are the terms of reference of the review and who will be conducting it.

- 513 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT** — Ms Asher to ask the following ministers with reference to Mr Neil O’Keefe and the Melbourne Showgrounds redevelopment project —
- 513a Minister for Agriculture
513b Minister for Major Projects
- (1) On what date did Mr O’Keefe, former Chair of the Joint Venture of the Showgrounds redevelopment project, resign.
 - (2) On what date was the Minister advised of Mr O’Keefe’s resignation.
 - (3) What was the reason for Mr O’Keefe’s resignation.
- 514 **TAXES IMPOSED ON BUSINESSES IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to businesses located in postcodes 3186 (Brighton) and 3187 (Brighton East) —
- (1) How many businesses were levied with pay-roll tax in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
 - (2) What was the total value of pay-roll tax for each postcode in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
 - (3) How many individuals and businesses were levied with land tax in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
 - (4) What was the total value of land tax for each postcode in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;

- (b) 2001–2002;
- (c) 2002–2003;
- (d) 2003–2004.

516 **BROKEN PROMENADE SEA WALL** — Mr Thompsen to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the broken promenade sea wall proximate to Third Street, Black Rock —

- (1) What assessment has been made of the cost of repairs.
- (2) What is the timeframe for the repair of the wall.
- (3) What steps have been taken to minimise a cost escalation of the repair works due to any inaction on the part of the Government.

518 **CESSATION OF WEST COAST RAIL SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Since West Coast Rail ceased operating the service in May 2004, how many single journey scheduled rail services on the Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool corridor have been operated by —
 - (a) trains;
 - (b) road coaches.
- (2) Has patronage of the service declined since it became a mix of train and coaches; if so, by what percentage.
- (3) Will V/Line operate the same number of package tours to Warrnambool and beyond as West Coast Rail has previously.
- (4) How many adult passengers, in each direction, does V/Line hope to carry each year on the South Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool rail service.
- (5) How many concession passengers, in each direction, does V/Line hope to carry each year on the South Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool rail service.

519 **V/LINE 'V'LOCITY' RAILCARS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the new 'V'LOCITY' railcars —

- (1) What provisions do the new railcars have for powering laptop computers.
- (2) How many of the 144 seats per set will have access to such provisions.
- (3) What is the seat pitch in centimetres on the 'V'LOCITY' railcars and how does this compare to 'Sprinters', an 'ACN' and a 'BN' class carriage.

521 NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport

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- (1) What has been the expenditure since 6 May 2004 on restoring passenger services to the rail lines —
 - (a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.
 - (2) When will regular V/Line services commence operation on the rail lines —
 - (a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.

525 ANTIBES STREET/SEVENTH STREET UPGRADES — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Minister's Press Release dated 1 November 2002 in which he stated that upgrades would be carried out in 2003 at Antibes Street/Seventh Street, Parkdale —

- (1) What is the current status of the Government's election promise to put in a state of the art crossover at the end of Seventh Avenue, Parkdale.
- (2) Why have the works not been completed.
- (3) What plans does the Government have to fulfil its election promise and what date will the project be completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2004**526 TRAIN CANCELLATION ON BELGRAVE–LILYDALE LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of the 8.28 am train from East Camberwell station to the city on Friday 27 August 2004 —

- (1) What was the cause of the cancelled service.
- (2) What steps is the Minister taking to assist improved patronage of the public transport system rather than it being run down through unreliable service provision.

527 FUNDING FOR HISTORICAL COMPLEXES IN THE PARKS VICTORIA PORTFOLIO — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the report by Heritage Council Victoria entitled *Review of Heritage Place Management in Victoria 2003*, which found that there is a need for funding of major works for large, significant historical complexes in the Parks Victoria portfolio — what has the Government done to address this need for funding.

- 528 **FUNDING FOR PARKS VICTORIA HUMAN AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the report by Heritage Council Victoria entitled *Review of Heritage Place Management in Victoria 2003*, which found that Parks Victoria has inadequate human and financial resources to realise the full potential of visitor services — what has the Government done to redress this lack of funding.
- 529 **CULTURAL HERITAGE INSPECTORS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs with reference to the appointment of cultural heritage inspectors under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984 (Cth) relevant sections of which are managed by the State Minister —
- (1) How many inspectors are currently registered in Victoria.
 - (2) What is the method of appointment of inspectors.
 - (3) What is the method of revocation of appointment of inspectors.
 - (4) How many inspectors, of the ones currently registered, are qualified to do the authorised work.
 - (5) Are there any inspectors on the list who have not done any inspection work over the last 12 months.
 - (6) When will the next training course be conducted and how will prospective and well qualified potential applicants be notified.
- 530 **MERGER TO FORM VICURBAN** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the merger of the Urban and Regional Land Corporation (URLC) and the Docklands Authority to form VicUrban —
- (1) Prior to the merger was an audit performed of the —
 - (a) URLC;
 - (b) Docklands Authority.
 - (2) Prior to the merger what financial studies were undertaken by —
 - (a) URLC;
 - (b) Docklands Authority.
 - (3) How many staff from the former URLC have left VicUrban.
- 531 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Treasury and Finance paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre; if so, how many and which courses.

- 532 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre; if so, how many and which courses.
- 533 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Infrastructure paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre ; if so, how many and which courses.
- 534 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —
- (1) On what date was Mr Neil O'Keefe appointed as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
 - (2) On what date was the actual decision made to short-list the three bidders, Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions, for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
 - (3) What were the names of the people who took the decision to put Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions on the short-list.
 - (4) On what date did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise that he had a conflict of interest.
 - (5) On what date was the Minister advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
 - (6) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise the Minister that he had a conflict of interest.
 - (7) On what date was the Executive Director of Major Projects, Mr James Cain, advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
 - (8) What action did Mr James Cain take.
 - (9) On what date did Mr James Cain advise the Minister or the Minister's office of this.
 - (10) On what date was the probity auditor appointed.
 - (11) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
 - (12) If the Minister was advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest, what did the Minister do to protect the integrity of the tender process.
 - (13) If Mr Neil O'Keefe resigned in May 2004, why was a public announcement delayed until August 2004.
 - (14) On what date was the Minister advised that the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid had been renamed Showcase Victoria.

- (15) Were there any variations in the number and name of the companies involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and the Showcase Victoria bid; if yes, what were the variations.
- (16) On what date was the decision made to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (17) What were the names of the people who took the decision to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (18) Why was the Showcase Victoria bid dropped from the short-list.
- (19) What remuneration did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive while Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (20) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive any remuneration after he advised the Government of his resignation as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project; if yes, what was the amount.
- (21) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Terence Cuddy was involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and was also a Director of RIP3e, a company of which Mr Neil O'Keefe was also Director.
- (22) Did the probity auditor give any advice regarding the promotion of the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid by Mr Neil O'Keefe in the article featured in *The Sunday Age* dated 1 February 2004.
- (23) On what date was the Government advised that Mr Terence Cuddy was involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and was also a Director of RIP3e, a company of which Mr Neil O'Keefe was also a Director.
- (24) Did the Government at any time approve Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook's use of Mr Terence Cuddy in their bid.

535 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Agriculture —

- (1) On what date was Mr Neil O'Keefe appointed as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (2) On what date was the actual decision made to short-list the three bidders, Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions, for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (3) What were the names of the people who took the decision to put Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions on the short-list.
- (4) On what date did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise that he had a conflict of interest.
- (5) On what date was the Minister advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.

- (6) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise the Minister that he had a conflict of interest.
- (7) On what date was the probity auditor appointed.
- (8) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (9) If the Minister was advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest, what did the Minister do to protect the integrity of the tender process.
- (10) If Mr Neil O'Keefe resigned in May 2004, why was a public announcement delayed until August 2004.
- (11) On what date was the Minister advised that the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid had been renamed Showcase Victoria.
- (12) Were there any variations in the number and name of the companies involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and the Showcase Victoria bid; if yes, what were the variations.
- (13) On what date was the decision made to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (14) What were the names of the people who took the decision to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (15) Why was the Showcase Victoria bid dropped from the short-list.
- (16) What remuneration did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive while Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (17) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive any remuneration after he advised the Government of his resignation as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project; if yes, what was the amount.
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- (21) Did the Government at any time approve Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook's use of Mr Terence Cuddy in their bid.

- 536 **OFFICE FOR YOUTH** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs with reference to the Office for Youth and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration —
- (1) What are the details of all advertising campaigns indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 June 2003.
 - (2) From 1 June 2003 to date, what are the details of all publications produced, indicating in each case the —
 - (a) title of the publication;
 - (b) date of issue/distribution;
 - (c) cost of production;
 - (d) quantity printed;
 - (e) name of the printer;
 - (f) details of distribution, including numbers and cost;
 - (g) purpose of production.
- 537 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of the 8.05 am train departing Sandringham on 16 August 2004 which led to a doubling of the passenger numbers on the 8.15 am train which first stopped at Ripponlea Station for approximately five minutes and then stopped completely at Windsor Station requiring passengers to disembark the train at Windsor and those that could manage to do so to board the 8.25 am ex-Sandringham train —
- (1) Why was the 8.05 am ex-Sandringham train cancelled.
 - (2) Why did the 8.15 am ex-Sandringham train stop at the Ripponlea Station for approximately five minutes.
 - (3) Why were passengers required to disembark from the train at Windsor Station.
 - (4) What steps can the Minister take to ensure that three train loads of commuters are not expected to board one train during peak hour.
- 538 **CHELTENHAM RAILWAY STATION CARPARK** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to safety issues at the station's commuter carpark, which accesses Charman Road, and in particular the risk to pedestrian safety (including senior citizens, parents and children accessing Cheltenham Primary School); the current zebra crossing paint which is worn and barely visible for its purpose and the current access from Charman Road to the car park which is by way of an angular travel way and which encourages vehicles to use high speed — what steps can the Minister take to arrange for the re-engineering of the car park access to a right angle approach in order to slow vehicles down and to improve pedestrian safety.

- 539 **FUNDING OF LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the issue of funding for languages other than English as part of the out of school hours program — what has been the Government funding commitment for each of —
- (1) 1999–2000.
 - (2) 2000–2001.
 - (3) 2001–2002.
 - (4) 2002–2003.
 - (5) 2003–2004.
- 540 **CLEAN UP NOTICE TO NORTH SUBURBAN PROPERTIES PTY LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the notice directed to North Suburban Properties Pty Ltd, the owner of premises situated at 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick, which noted the company had not complied with paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 — why has the Environment Protection Authority not enforced the terms of the clean up notice against the company.
- 541 **CLEAN UP NOTICE AGAINST SPOTLESS GROUP LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the premises situated at 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick which were formerly owned/occupied by Spotless Group Ltd — why has the Environment Protection Authority not issued a clean up notice against the Spotless Group Ltd.
- 542 **INSTALLATION OF TANKS PERMIT FOR SPOTLESS GROUP LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the land situated 227–231 Barkly Street, Brunswick on which site Spotless Group Ltd applied for a permit to install tanks — why has the Environmental Protection Authority not served Spotless Group Ltd with a clean up notice.
- 543 **ENFORCEMENT OF CLEAN UP NOTICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment — why has the Environmental Protection Authority not enforced the clean up notice it served on the proprietors of 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick.
- 544 **SECURE WELFARE SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — what secure welfare services, as defined in Section 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently provided for males and females.
- 545 **CHILDREN REMANDED IN CUSTODY** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently remanded in custody.

- 546 **SECURE WELFARE SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children have been placed in secure welfare services, as defined in Section 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999.
- 547 **CHILDREN REMANDED IN CUSTODY** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have been remanded in custody for each and every year since 1999.
- 548 **PROTECTION ORDER WARRANTS FOR CHILDREN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many warrants have been issued to return children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999.
- 549 **PROTECTION ORDER WARRANTS FOR CHILDREN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children, subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have had warrants issued to return them to their placements under section 265 of that Act for each and every year since 1999.
- 550 **CHILDREN SERVING SENTENCES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently serving sentences in juvenile justice centres.
- 551 **CHILDREN SUBJECT TO PROTECTION ORDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children have been made subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999 under each of the following categories —
- (1) Supervision orders.
 - (2) Custody to third party orders.
 - (3) Supervised custody orders.
 - (4) Custody to the Secretary orders.
 - (5) Guardianship to the Secretary orders.
 - (6) Interim protection orders.
- 552 **CHILDREN CONVICTED OF CRIMINAL OFFENCES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have been

convicted of criminal offences resulting in a custodial sentence for each and every year since 1999.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2004

- 553 **TRAIN FAILURES AT WALLAN** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the failures at Wallan of the 0724 Seymour V/Line service and the 0750 Albury V/Line service on Friday 10 September 2004 —
- (1) Did both of these services fail.
 - (2) What caused the 'Sprinter' (Seymour service) and locomotive (Albury service) to fail.
 - (3) Where were each of the items of motive power repaired and at what cost.
 - (4) Have both items of motive power returned to service; if so, on what date did they return to service; if not, how long will they be out of service.
 - (5) How many coaches were hired to replace each train.
 - (6) Did any coaches replacing the Albury service run all the way from Wallan to Albury without passengers being required to further change coaches; if not, why not.
- 554 **DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE IBM GLOBAL SERVICES CONTRACT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Department of Infrastructure's contracts with IBM Global Services' Ballarat office —
- (1) What dates do the various contracts expire.
 - (2) What items are covered by each contract.
- 555 **V/LINE SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) Will V/Line lease B76 from Southern Short Haul Railroad; if not, why not.
 - (2) How many of the following items of motive power were in service with V/Line on 15 September 2004 —
 - (a) Sprinters;
 - (b) 'N' class locomotives;
 - (c) 'P' class locomotives;
 - (d) 'S' class locomotives;
 - (e) 'A' class locomotives;

- (f) Locomotive-hauled carriages.
- (3) How many of each item of motive power listed above were being serviced and were therefore out of service on 15 September 2004 at —
 - (a) EDI Rail Newport;
 - (b) EDI Rail Dudley Street;
 - (c) South Dynon;
 - (d) elsewhere.
- (4) How many of each item of motive power listed in sub-question (2) did V/Line require to run its full scheduled weekday service on 15 September 2004.
- (5) How many scheduled rail services were operated by road coaches on 15 September 2004 and what was the reason for any such substitutions.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 OCTOBER 2004

- 556 **KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL PLANNING PERMIT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the conditions of the Council's Planning Permit No 360/91 and the non compliance by the owners/occupiers of the land situated at the corner of Tootals Road and Old Dandenong Road, Dingley Village with multiple Pollution Abatement Notices served on them by the Environment Protection Authority —
- (1) What action has the Government taken to alleviate the public health concerns of residents resulting from the discharge of pollutants from the site.
 - (2) What steps will the Government take to protect the health interests of the local Dingley community and to enforce the terms of the Pollution Abatement Notices.
- 557 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the answer to question 492 received on 4 October 2004 relating to the urgently needed capital upgrades for Traralgon South Primary School and the meeting promised by the Minister between the regional staff and the School that did not take place in September —
- (1) When will the meeting take place.
 - (2) When will the School get its much needed permanent replacements for its decaying portable classrooms.
- 558 **FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport further to the answer to question 350 received on 4 October 2004 — what was the farebox revenue collected for each of the ticket types by zone for —

- (1) 2003–2004.
- (2) The first quarter of 2004–2005.

559 **ROAD SAFETY PROJECTS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What amount has been spent on road safety projects with the word ‘motorcycle’ or ‘motorcyclists’ in their title or other commonly used descriptors, or otherwise aimed principally at enhancing motorcyclists’ rather than just general road users’ safety in —
 - (a) 2002–2003;
 - (b) 2003–2004;
 - (c) the first quarter of 2004–2005.
- (2) What was the name of each project, its location, aim and cost in each year or quarter.

560 **V/LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many passenger journeys were made on V/Line trains or coaches in each quarter from the June 2002 quarter to the September 2004 quarter inclusive.
- (2) How many passengers were tallied on each individual V/Line rail or coach service operated on Tuesday 5 October 2004, including Department of Infrastructure (DOI) services that appear in the V/Line timetable.
- (3) What was the number of individual journeys, including those passengers connecting to V/Line or DOI road coach services made on the following lines in each of August 2002, August 2003 and August 2004 —
 - (a) Geelong/South Geelong;
 - (b) beyond South Geelong to stations from Winchelsea to Warrnambool;
 - (c) Ballarat;
 - (d) Beaufort to Ararat;
 - (e) Bendigo;
 - (f) Dingee to Swan Hill;
 - (g) Seymour;
 - (h) Nagambie to Shepparton;
 - (i) Avenel to Albury;
 - (j) Traralgon;

- (k) Rosedale to Bairnsdale;
 - (l) beyond Cranbourne to Leongatha;
 - (m) beyond Cranbourne to Inverloch.
- (4) How many adult fare passengers held V/Line Date to Date tickets on 5 October 2004 on the following lines —
- (a) South Geelong;
 - (b) Ballarat;
 - (c) Bendigo;
 - (d) Seymour;
 - (e) Traralgon.

QUESTION ASKED ON 12 OCTOBER 2004

561 **ASSESSMENT OF BOONERWRUNG INTERESTS FROM GEOLOGICAL AND TERRITORIAL PERSPECTIVES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the report titled *Assessment of Boonerwung interests from geological and territorial perspectives* prepared by Dr Clark of the Department of Justice —

- (1) What was the cost of the report.
- (2) For what purpose was it prepared.
- (3) To date, why has access to the report been restricted.

QUESTION ASKED ON 13 OCTOBER 2004

562 **MELBOURNE BUS LINK** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to correspondence received from a constituent relaying an incident which occurred on Melbourne Bus Link on Sunday 10 October 2004 where a bus scheduled to leave Sandringham Railway Station at 2.04 pm did not depart and instead was driven back to the bus depot much to the inconvenience and annoyance of the passengers, who had boarded the bus at 2.00 pm but were told to disembark at 2.30 pm because the replacement driver was unavailable, this delay being of apparent amusement to the bus driver who passed several comments about being paid overtime whilst waiting for the replacement driver —

- (1) What was the reason for the cancellation.
- (2) Why was there a lack of appropriate consideration for passengers already on the bus.

- (3) What steps will be taken to ensure that this incident is not repeated.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 75

Wednesday 3 November 2004

- 563 **NEW HOUSING ACQUISITIONS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to new housing acquisitions for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004 — how many units were purchased or built for less than \$100,000 in each broadband area.
- 564 **NEW HOUSING COSTS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to new housing acquisitions for 2004–2005 —
- (1) How many units will be purchased or built for less than \$100,000 per unit in each broadband area.
 - (2) What is the average price of a unit under \$100,000 in each broadband area.
- 565 **CANCELLED TRAIN SERVICES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of train services from Melbourne to Sandringham on 7 October 2004 from 10.30 pm which left a Sandringham commuter stranded for approximately one hour —
- (1) What was the reason for the cessation of train services.
 - (2) What steps has the Minister taken to redress the cause of the problem and the appalling decline in service levels on the Sandringham line.
- 566 **NEW HOUSING PROJECTS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —
- (1) What is the total value of new projects for the Office of Housing costing less than \$100,000 and therefore not listed in the *2004–2005 Public Sector Asset Investment Program — Budget Information Paper No 1* separated into —
 - (a) total estimated investment;
 - (b) estimated expenditure for 2004–2005.
 - (2) What was the purpose of each expenditure.

- 567 **BLUFF AND BAY ROADS INTERSECTION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the intersection of Bluff and Bay Roads in Sandringham which is a high frequency accident intersection — according to Police Traffic Management data how many accidents have been recorded at the intersection in —
- (1) 2004 to date;
 - (2) 2003;
 - (3) 2002;
 - (4) 2001;
 - (5) 2000.
- 568 **BLUFF AND BAY ROADS INTERSECTION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the intersection of Bluff and Bay Roads in Sandringham which is a high frequency accident intersection — what plans does the Minister have to improve traffic management of the intersection to reduce the frequency of accidents, minimise personal injury and property damage and advance public safety.
- 569 **AIRCRAFT NOISE IN THE BAYSIDE AREA** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to noise emanating from low flying aeroplanes and helicopters in the Bayside area, numbers of which would be on a flight path to and from Moorabbin Airport —
- (1) What noise regulations govern the limitation of excessive aircraft and helicopter engine sound.
 - (2) What noise restrictions, if any, apply to low flying operations of police helicopters in the early hours of the morning.
- 570 **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPLICATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many of the 349 Freedom of Information (FOI) applications received in 2003–04 did the Department of Infrastructure (DOI) —
 - (a) grant access to in full;
 - (b) grant access to in part;
 - (c) deny access to;
 - (d) treat as withdrawn.
 - (2) What was the result of each FOI appeal to VCAT in 2003–04.
 - (3) How many FOI applications were processed within 45 days in 2003–04.

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- (4) Why does the information in (1) and (3) above not appear in the DOI Annual Report for 2003–04.

571 **V/LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What has been the cash farebox revenue received by V/Line between —
- (a) 1 January to 30 June 2004;
 - (b) 1 July to 30 September 2004.
- (2) What amount was received for each of the above periods a year earlier.
- (3) How many individual passenger journeys were made on V/Line in each of the above 2003 and 2004 periods.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 76

Thursday 4 November 2004

This issue provides a numerical reference to questions remaining unanswered.

The full text of unanswered questions will be issued on a periodical basis during the session. The text was last issued in Questions on Notice No 74.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

Questions on Notice No	Date questions asked on	Questions remaining unanswered
1	Tuesday 25 February 2003	Nos 4, 5, 8, 9, 10 and 11.
3	Thursday 27 February 2003	No 36.
7	Tuesday 25 March 2003	No 77.
12	Tuesday 29 April 2003	Nos 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164 and 165.
16	Thursday 8 May 2003	No 183.
17	Tuesday 20 May 2003	No 186b.
21	Wednesday 4 June 2003	No 209.
23	Tuesday 26 August 2003	Nos 230, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245 and 246.
24	Wednesday 27 August 2003	Nos 238aj, 239aj and 247.
26	Tuesday 16 September 2003	Nos 256, 257, 267, 274, 285, 286, 302, 304, 305, 306, 307 and 315a.
29	Tuesday 7 October 2003	Nos 333 and 334.
32	Tuesday 14 October 2003	No 344.

34	Thursday 16 October 2003	No 354.
35	Tuesday 28 October 2003	Nos 355, 356, 357, 358a, 358c, 359a, 359c, 360ak, 361ak, 368, 369, 370 and 371.
36	Wednesday 29 October 2003	No 372.
40	Tuesday 18 November 2003	Nos 378 and 380.
42	Thursday 20 November 2003	Nos 385 and 386.
43	Tuesday 25 November 2003	Nos 388a, 388b and 390.
45	Tuesday 2 March 2004	Nos 396, 398a, 398b, 399a, 399c, 400b, 401a, 401b, 402a, 402b, 405a, 405b, 410ai, 410aj and 410ao.
46	Wednesday 3 March 2004	Nos 411i, 411aj, 411ao, 413, 414, 416 and 421.
48	Tuesday 30 March 2004	Nos 423, 424, 426, 430 and 431.
49	Wednesday 31 March 2004	Nos 434, 436 and 437.
51	Tuesday 20 April 2004	Nos 438, 439 and 440.
52	Wednesday 21 April 2004	Nos 441, 448 and 449.
54	Tuesday 4 May 2004	Nos 454, 455, 461, 463, 465, 466 and 467.
55	Wednesday 5 May 2004	Nos 472, 473, 474, 477, 478, 482b, 483b and 484b.
57	Tuesday 11 May 2004	Nos 486 and 487c.
59	Thursday 13 May 2004	No 494.
61	Wednesday 26 May 2004	No 498a.
64	Thursday 3 June 2004	No 506.
65	Tuesday 24 August 2004	Nos 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513a, 513b, 514, 516, 518, 519, 521 and 525.
67	Tuesday 14 September 2004	Nos 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551 and 552.
68	Wednesday 15 September 2004	Nos 553, 554 and 555.
70	Tuesday 5 October 2004	Nos 556, 557, 558, 559 and 560.

72	Tuesday 12 October	No 561.
73	Wednesday 14 October	No 562.
75	Thursday 4 November	Nos 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570 and 571.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 77

Tuesday 9 November 2004

572 **COURT HOUSE IN HIGHETT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney General with reference to his recent announcement of the development of a \$28 million Court House in Highett to be completed by 2007 —

- (1) When is it envisaged that the project will commence.
- (2) Will the new court house development include a prison or holding cells; if so, what will be the holding capacity.
- (3) Will the new court house development incorporate a police station.
- (4) What are the implications of this development for the development of the Sandringham Police Station.
- (5) What are the implications of this development for the development of the Cheltenham Police Station.
- (6) What are the implications of this decision for the Moorabbin Police complex.
- (7) What will be the impact of the development, if any, on the current use of public open space including the Sir William Fry Reserve.

573 **SOUTHLAND RAILWAY STATION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the announcement by the Attorney General of the development of a \$28 million Court House in Highett and the public statement made by the Government about a feasibility study into plans to build a Southland railway station —

- (1) Will the Government guarantee the continued future of the Cheltenham and Highett railway stations in the event of a new Southland station being constructed.
- (2) What is the anticipated increase in commuter time to the city as a consequence of the station being built.

574 **MAJOR PROJECTS VICTORIA (MPV)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) How many staff (full time equivalent) are currently employed by MPV.

- (2) How many staff (full time equivalent) were employed by MPV in —
- (a) 2001–2002;
 - (b) 2002–2003.

575 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND YOUTH AFFAIRS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs —

- (1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —
- (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2002–2003.
- (2) If so —
- (a) what were the dates of travel;
 - (b) what were the destinations of travel;
 - (c) what were the purposes of the travel.

576 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR MAJOR PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —
- (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2002–2003.
- (2) If so —
- (a) what were the dates of travel;
 - (b) what were the destinations of travel;
 - (c) what were the purposes of the travel.

577 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR STATE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —

- (1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —
- (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2002–2003.

- (2) If so —
 - (a) what were the dates of travel;
 - (b) what were the destinations of travel;
 - (c) what were the purposes for the travel.

578 **PILOT VEHICLES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the learner driver handbook *Road to Solo Driving* which only has a limited description of the role of and signage for pilot vehicles which assist with the transport of oversized loads on Victoria's roads —

- (1) What steps need to be taken to review safety procedures following the death which occurred early this year when a vehicle ran into a truck carrying a transformer on Springvale Road, Glen Waverley.
- (2) What steps are proposed to improve the driver education and awareness of the role played by pilot vehicles.
- (3) What steps are the Government planning to take to improve the visibility of pilot vehicles such as a change in warning light colour from amber to magenta.
- (4) What consultations has the Minister had with the pilots' association.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 78

Wednesday 10 November 2004

579 **PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) Are any Ministry upgrades proposed for the units in Balcombe Road, Mentone.
- (2) Are the units fully tenanted.
- (3) For how long have any vacant units been unoccupied.

580 **VICTORIAN FUNDS MANAGEMENT CORPORATION (VFMC)** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer with reference to the statement on page 13 of the VFMC Annual Report 2003–2004 that ‘[I]ate in the financial year, the \$2.4 billion State of Victoria Budget sector progressively withdrew its funds managed by the Corporation’ —

- (1) What were the reasons these funds were withdrawn from VFMC management.
- (2) How and by whom are these funds being managed subsequent to this withdrawal.

581 **CITYLINK** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer — on what basis did the Treasurer make his statement in the *Australian Financial Review* of 28 October 2004 that in 1996–1997 CityLink had announced a construction cost of approximately \$1.2 billion, when CityLink was announced in 1995 as a project costing \$1.7 billion.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 79

Thursday 11 November 2004

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 FEBRUARY 2003

- 4 **ENTERPRISE BARGAINING AGREEMENT — UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the agreement signed with the Country Fire Authority (CFA) and the Metropolitan Fire Emergency Services Board (MFESB) —
- (1) What is the total additional financial impact of the agreement on the budget of each of the CFA and the MFESB, in dollar and percentage terms, for the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
 - (2) What is the direct additional budgetary contribution of the State Government, in dollar and percentage terms, towards such increased expenditures in each of the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
- 5 **VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002.
- 8 **COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002 —
- (1) How many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria.
 - (2) How many tankers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (3) What was the average age (years of service) of the tankers deployed.
 - (4) How many pumpers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (5) What was the average age (years of service) of pumpers deployed.
- 9 **ACTIVE COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY PERSONNEL** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002, what was the number of active Country Fire Authority —

- (1) Volunteers.
 - (2) Career firefighters.
- 10 **ACTIVE VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many active volunteers were there as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002.
- 11 **EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISE (CORE)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Corrections, as at 31 December 1999, 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002, what was —
- (1) The total number of effective full-time employees.
 - (2) The actual cost of employee remuneration and entitlements.

QUESTION ASKED ON 27 FEBRUARY 2003

- 36 **GOVERNMENT'S DIGITAL MEDIA FUND** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —
- (1) What amount has MediaNet received from the fund.
 - (2) On what date did MediaNet receive this amount.

QUESTION ASKED ON 25 MARCH 2003

- 77 **MITCHAM/FRANKSTON FREEWAY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How much has already been expended on land acquisition for the Freeway.
 - (2) How much of this funding came from —
 - (a) VicRoads;
 - (b) the Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) the Commonwealth Government; and
 - (d) other sources.
 - (3) With reference to the acquisition of parcels of land over 100 square metres —
 - (a) how many remain to be acquired for the Freeway;

- (b) which suburb is each parcel of land located in;
- (c) what is the size of each parcel;
- (d) what are the nearest cross streets or other identifiers;
- (e) what is the total estimated cost of the remaining land acquisitions; and
- (f) what is the proposed timetable for each of the land acquisitions yet to be completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 29 APRIL 2003

147 **BUSINESS INNOVATION WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Business Innovation Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$240,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

148 **EXPORT VALUE CHAIN NETWORKS AND CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Value Chain Networks and Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 149 **FINANCE FOR GROWTH** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Finance for Growth funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$60,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 150 **FIRST STEP EXPORT PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the First Step Export Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 151 **GLOBAL PURCHASING STRATEGY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Global Purchasing Strategy funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 152 **GOING GLOBAL** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Going Global funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 153 **HIGH PERFORMANCE MANUFACTURING CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the High Performance Manufacturing Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$190,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 154 **INDUSTRY CAPABILITY MISSIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Industry Capability Missions funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$930,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 155 **INNOVATION INSIGHTS VISITS PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Innovation Insights Visits Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 156 **KEYNOTE CONFERENCE AND SEMINARS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to keynote conference and seminars funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 157 **NEW TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to new technology demonstrations funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$310,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 158 **PARTNERS AT WORK (HIGH PERFORMANCE WORKPLACES)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Partners at Work (High Performance Workplaces) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$900,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 159 **PROMOTING THE IMAGE OF MANUFACTURING AND MANUFACTURING HALL OF FAME** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to promoting the Image of Manufacturing and Manufacturing Hall of Fame funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$500,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 160 **STRATEGIC AUDIT OF VICTORIAN INDUSTRY PLANS IMPLEMENTATION (PARTNERS AT WORK)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Strategic Audit of Victorian Industry Plans implementation (Partners at Work) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$1,600,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and

- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

161 **SCHOLARSHIPS IN AREAS OF FUTURE SKILLS NEEDS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Scholarships in Areas of Future Skills Needs funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

162 **TECHNOLOGY EVALUATION PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Evaluation Projects funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

163 **TECHNOLOGY ROADMAP AND SKILLS STUDIES** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Roadmap and Skills Studies funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;

- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 164 **VALUE CHAIN WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Value Chain Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$160,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 165 **EXPORT COMMUNICATION NETWORK** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Communication Network funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$410,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
- (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
- (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

QUESTION ASKED ON 8 MAY 2003

- 183 **INQUIRY INTO PAST ADOPTION PRACTICES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Community Services — when does the Government propose to honour its 1999 election commitment to hold a Parliamentary inquiry into past adoption practices, particularly in the period after the second world war until the proclamation of the *Adoption Act 1984*.

QUESTION ASKED ON 20 MAY 2003

186 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) CABINET SUBCOMMITTEE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

186b Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

With reference to the Minister for Information and Communication Technology's announcement of 6 May 2003 of a new Government ICT strategy subcommittee of Cabinet to be chaired by the Premier, in recognition of the strategic importance of ICT —

- (1) Who is on the subcommittee.
- (2) Who will service and/or advise the subcommittee.
- (3) What are the duties of the subcommittee.

QUESTION ASKED ON 4 JUNE 2003

209 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the breakdown of the \$660 million that the Government has committed to ICT, as stated in the media release of 17 October 2002 entitled *Victoria's Information Technology Report*, including details of each component of the \$660 million and individual expenditure items within each component.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 26 AUGUST 2003

230 **MAINTENANCE FOR POINT NEPEAN DEFENCE LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for the Environment — from where will the promised \$10–\$15 million maintenance funding for the land be sourced.

240 **CeBIT AMERICA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — how much funding was provided to each of the five Victorian companies that attended CeBIT America, an information technology trade fair, in New York this year.

241 **E-COMMERCE ROADSHOWS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to e-commerce roadshows —

- (1) How many have taken place between 1 June 2002 and 26 August 2003.
- (2) What was the location and date of each.

- (3) What was the cost of each.

243 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SYNCHROTRON** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Innovation — has the Government sought financial assistance or support from the Commonwealth Government in relation to the construction of the Synchrotron or for beamline funding; if so, when was this request made.

244 **GROWING TOMORROW'S INDUSTRIES TODAY STATEMENT** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to the statement and the targets for information and communication technologies — which companies contributed to the 800 new jobs created in Victoria last year and what was the number each contributed.

245 **MULTIMEDIA VICTORIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

- (1) What is the total number of full-time equivalent staff within Multimedia Victoria as at 26 August 2003.
- (2) How will Multimedia Victoria —
 - (a) improve the operation of business and government;
 - (b) increase the use of information and communication technologies by Victorians;
 - (c) reduce the inequity in the use of information and communication technologies across Victoria; and
 - (d) grow the information industries sector.

246 **TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM FUNDING** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the total amount of funding provided by the Government since 2000, the name of each recipient and the amount received by each recipient under the —

- (1) Customer Access Network Demonstration Program.
- (2) E-Commerce Exhibition Projects Program.
- (3) E-gaps funding.
- (4) Skills.net funding.
- (5) Next Wave Program.
- (6) My Connected Community program.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 AUGUST 2003

¹238 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

238aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

²239 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

239aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 July 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

247 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for WorkCover —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001, with the exception of the Transport Accident Commission and the Victorian WorkCover Authority where the commencement date should be from 1 July 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

¹ Question published in substitution of No 238 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

² Question published in substitution of No 239 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2003

- 256 **VICTORIAN SCHOOLS OF LANGUAGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of an additional five Victorian schools of languages —
- (1) What new programs or resources will these schools provide compared with the existing School of Languages.
 - (2) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 257 **ACCESS TO EXCELLENCE PROGRAM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What is the working definition of 'excellence' for the purpose of the program.
 - (2) What are the factors inhibiting teenagers' engagement at school which the program will address and how will the program address these problems.
 - (3) What methods will be used to gauge the effectiveness of the program on teenage engagement.
 - (4) What criteria defines an approach as 'locally relevant' and who will undertake this assessment and make the determination.
 - (5) What criteria will be applied to determine if an approach is 'innovative'.
 - (6) Which programs have been deemed not to be 'innovative'.
 - (7) Which schools classify as schools in need of 'assistance to achieve outcomes' for the purposes of the program.
 - (8) Who in the Department of Education and Training makes these determinations.
 - (9) What are the criteria used to determine these decisions.
 - (10) What outcomes will the program help these schools achieve.
 - (11) What methods will be used to measure performance.
 - (12) What will be the ratio of teachers to students within the program.
 - (13) How many additional hours of contact on a per student basis does the program anticipate per year.
 - (14) What method or methods will be used to measure the effectiveness in the schools involved in this project of the 300 additional teachers in the system with reference to their impact on —

- (a) absenteeism;
- (b) literacy levels;
- (c) numeracy levels;
- (d) retention rates; and
- (e) post-school transition.

- 267 **ALBERT PARK, BAYSIDE, COPPERFIELD, CRAIGIEBURN, EPPING, FERNTREE, HEATHERHILL, LALOR NORTH, RESERVOIR DISTRICT AND SOUTH OAKLEIGH SECONDARY COLLEGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 108a received on 26 August 2003 — what are the precise protocols for public release of data referred to, when were they last reviewed and by whom.
- 274 **CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 135b received on 26 August 2003 — what are the names of the regular schools which have more than 30 students who receive additional funding through the Program for Students with Disabilities.
- 285 **VICTORIAN STUDENT ASSESSMENT MONITOR (VSAM)** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 188a received on 26 August 2003 —
- (1) Has the study being carried out by RMIT Test Lab been completed and what are the results.
 - (2) Is there a written report and will it be made available publicly.
- 286 **FRAMEWORK FOR STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 185b received on 26 August 2003 — has there been any audit or review of the student welfare and curriculum teams; if yes, what are the results.
- 302 **COMPLETION OF TRUGANINA SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north of Werribee —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

- 304 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 305 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES SECONDARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 306 **COMPLETION OF LAURIMAR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located near Yan Yean —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 307 **COMPLETION OF EPPING NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 315 **MINISTERIAL TRIPS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Minister —
- 315a Minister for Education and Training
- (1) What overseas and interstate trips on ministerial business has the Minister undertaken since the 2002 election.
 - (2) What were the purposes of each such trip.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 7 OCTOBER 2003

- 333 **MARYBOROUGH EDUCATION PRECINCT MASTER-PLAN** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the response to question 129a received on 26 August 2003 — how many school principals will be employed.
- 334 **CONDUCT AND ETHICS BRANCH OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article in the *Herald Sun* of 25 September 2003 entitled 'Job cuts may help teacher pedophiles' which said, in part, 'The State Government's plan to weed out pedophiles from schools could be hindered by their own job cuts. The Education Department's conduct and ethics branch employs 10 staff whose roles include checking some teachers' police records and doing background checks on non-teaching staff. The conduct and ethics branch, as part of the department's central office, is in the firing line of a restructure announced by Education Minister Lynne Kosky last month, which will slash about 330 Education Department jobs' — is any change to the branch planned; if so, what is it and why is it being done.

QUESTION ASKED ON 14 OCTOBER 2003

- 344 **TEACHER RELEASE TO INDUSTRY PROGRAM** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training —
- (1) What has been the funding commitment to the Program for 1998–1999, 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004.
 - (2) How many teachers participated in the Program for the period 1998 to 2003.
 - (3) What were the range of industries in which the teachers were involved.
 - (4) What evaluation has been undertaken of the Program and what were the chief recommendations.
 - (5) What is the Government's funding commitment for 2004.

QUESTION ASKED ON 16 OCTOBER 2003

- 354 **TRUANCY DATA** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the Minister's comments quoted in *The Age* on 9 May 2003 which said in part: 'The Education Department will also keep more detailed data on truancy. Previously, truancy and absences approved by parents were listed in the one figure. From this year, the department will collect separate data. You do need to get a sense of why the non-attendance has happened and whether it's sporadic days or whether it's groups of days'— what detailed data has been collected and what does the data show.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 28 OCTOBER 2003

- 355 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum — what is the rationale for the proposal and what progress has been made in implementing it.
- 356 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the growing interest in VCE psychology among young people and the high rates of mental illness and suicide — how is a proposal to remove mental health issues from the curriculum justified.
- 357 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the suggestion that one of the main reasons for the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum is the lack of sufficiently well trained teachers in this subject — what resources has the Department put into recruiting and training the teachers needed for this subject.
- 358 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 358a Minister for Community Services
358c Minister for Education Services
- (1) Have some families been on the early intervention waiting list for the Service for over two years.
 - (2) What is the Government doing to eliminate waiting lists for these families in such a crucial time for their children.
- 359 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 359a Minister for Community Services
359c Minister for Education Services
- Are there any plans for additional government support to employ more travelling teachers for the Service to eliminate waiting lists, so families can expect the service they deserve and need for immediate early intervention.
- 360 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 360ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department or private office since 27 March 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

361 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

361ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 5 December 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

368 **REDEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the itemised list of estates earmarked for redevelopment or neighbourhood renewal programs, including a progress report on each public housing site.
- (2) Whether the redevelopment of these estates involves contributions in kind from the not-for-profit sector or private developers, including details of the type of contribution made towards each such redevelopment.
- (3) What are the details of public estates where the Government has already undertaken or proposes to undertake the subdivision and sell the land for private sector development.
- (4) What are the details of the type of contractual arrangement the Government proposes to negotiate with 'private developers' to encourage a mix of private and public housing developments on Government-owned sites.
- (5) What are the details of private investors who have submitted a joint venture proposal for the redevelopment of public housing estates.

369 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AT RALEIGH STREET, WINDSOR** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of the estate —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.

- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the Council; if so, when.
- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) What is the 2002–2003 budget for the redevelopment.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.

370 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of each of Victory Boulevard in Ashburton, Thomson Estate in Geelong East, Rathdowne Street in Carlton, Raglan Ingles Estate in Port Melbourne, Elizabeth Street in Richmond, Kensington Estate in Kensington, Long Gully in Bendigo, Maidstone/Braybrook Estate, Mark/Rundle Estate in Wodonga, Parkside Estate in Shepparton and Peace Court in Doveton —

- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
- (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
- (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
- (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the relevant Council; if so, when.
- (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
- (6) How much has been budgeted for this development in 2003–2004.
- (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.
- (8) Broken down by the number of bedrooms, how many units will be available as a result of this redevelopment for —
 - (a) public housing; and
 - (b) private housing.

371 **WENDOUREE WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PROJECT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the total expected cost of the project.
- (2) What is the amount in the 2003–2004 State budget for the project.
- (3) When is work scheduled to commence on the 11 properties whose tenants have decided on design options for their properties.

- (4) What is the budget for 2003–2004 for —
 - (a) physical improvements and redevelopment of properties; and
 - (b) all other elements of the project.
- (5) How many public properties will be redeveloped as part of this project.
- (6) What is the total cost of the redevelopment of these properties.
- (7) Has a developer been selected for the redevelopment; if so, who.
- (8) What is the commencement date of the works.
- (9) What is the anticipated completion date of the works.

QUESTION ASKED ON 29 OCTOBER 2003

372 **ASBESTOS IN MELBOURNE YARD STABLING SIDINGS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each of the Broadmeadows, Cranbourne, Frankston, Pakenham, Sandringham, Watergardens, Werribee, Williamstown and Upfield lines between 15 and 24 October 2003 inclusive as a result of asbestos being found in the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.
- (2) What was the scheduled time of departure from its terminus of all trains cancelled on each line, and on what dates was each cancelled.
- (3) What steps are being taken to ensure that any further asbestos residues are immediately discovered and then removed from inner city stabling sidings such as in the North Melbourne area, closer to North Melbourne station than the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 18 NOVEMBER 2003

378 **HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES** — Mr Ryan to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) Why is the Hazardous Waste Siting Advisory Committee not mentioned in any of the material released by the Government and did it play any role in the site selection.
- (2) Where were the other 100, 14 and six sites that were originally identified before the Government came up with the final three at Violet Town, Pittong and Tiega.
- (3) Why is it that the soil recycling facility at Dutson Downs will not be subject to an environmental effects statement when these three sites will be.

- (4) What were the '30 stringent criteria' used by the Government to identify the three sites.
- (5) On what criteria were two thirds of the State ruled out through computer mapping alone.
- (6) How can it be possible that no suitable Crown land could be found.
- (7) Why is it that, given the Government expects the facility to be highly secure, no sites were short-listed in the metropolitan area where the bulk of the waste will come from.
- (8) How long has this process been underway and were any tests taken on private land without the consent of landholders.

380 **BASSLINK PTY LTD** — Mr Ingram to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to the construction of the Basslink Pty Ltd marine cable and its impact on commercial and recreational fisheries —

- (1) In relation to the code of conduct for commercial fishers as required by the Minister for Planning —
 - (a) has Basslink Pty Ltd prepared a code of conduct for commercial fishers as required;
 - (b) has the Government approved the code and when will it be publicly available;
 - (c) will the code be agreed to before the Basslink project commences;
 - (d) if a code of conduct cannot be agreed to, will the Minister ensure that issues of concern are addressed;
 - (e) with which fishing groups and individuals did the proponents consult in developing the code; and
 - (f) did the proponents consult with Gippsland fishers such as those from Yarram, Port Albert, Mcloughlin's Beach, Lakes Entrance, Port Welshpool and Port Franklin, if not, why not; if so, with whom.
- (2) In the consultation process, what changes were made from the draft code of conduct to reflect the concerns raised by the commercial fishers.
- (3) Did the proponents consult with the recreational fishers of Gippsland who will actually be fishing and anchoring in the Victorian waters where the sub-sea cables are proposed to be laid.
- (4) As the planned use of the metallic return cable results in a magnetic field which will cause deviation of magnetic boat compasses, how is this safety information being provided to all Gippsland fishers.
- (5) As the commercial fishers at Port Albert have not accepted the use of the Bruce anchor, why is it still being endorsed by Basslink.

- (6) As the movement of the strong Bass Strait currents through the magnetic field of the bundled sub-sea cables creates an induced electric field which will be detected by sharks and rays, what studies have been conducted by Basslink to confirm the changes in shark and ray behaviour which may occur when the cables are in use.
- (7) Will the operating cables cause more sharks to swim inshore close to the public swimming beaches along the tourist attraction of the Ninety Mile Beach.
- (8) What studies have been undertaken to assess the impact on tourism in the area.
- (9) If, in the event that Basslink is constructed with metallic return marine cables bundled together instead of the more benign coaxial cable, and sharks and rays follow the cable as scientific research suggests, will the Government have the power to force the operators to turn off the cable.
- (10) Will the Government have the power to force the owner of the cable to remove the metallic return configuration and have it replaced with coaxial cable.
- (11) If the cable needs to be modified after construction, who will be required to bear the cost of modification.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 NOVEMBER 2003

- 385 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BEACH ROAD, BEAUMARIS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,657 fines being issued following 195.77 hours of operation and raising \$403,864 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.
- 386 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BLUFF ROAD, HAMPTON** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,522 fines being issued following 134.94 hours of operation and raising \$383,344 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 NOVEMBER 2003

- 388 **ERRATIC OR DANGEROUS DRIVING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

388a Minister for Police and Emergency Services

388b Minister for Transport

- (1) How many reports of persons aged 65 or over claimed to be driving erratically or dangerously have Victoria Police submitted to VicRoads since 1 January 2003.
- (2) How many of these reports emanated from driving instructors.
- (3) How many driving licences held by persons aged 65 years or over have been suspended or had conditions placed on them for alleged erratic or dangerous driving since 1 January 2003.

390 **LIBRA CONSULTING** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to services provided to Victoria Police by Libra Consulting — how many hours of service were invoiced, and what were the total amounts paid to Libra Consulting in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 2 MARCH 2004

396 **BUSH NURSING CENTRES IN VICTORIA** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care —

- (1) To provide a list of the Centres which have been funded by the Department of Human Services.
- (2) To provide details of the value of administration grants paid to each Centre.

398 **OFFICE EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

398a Minister for Innovation

398b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003, what are the details of expenses of the office of the Minister, including—

- (1) Number of ministerial staff allocated to the Minister.
- (2) Staff salaries and on-costs.
- (3) Other recurrent ministerial office operating expenses.
- (4) Minister's and/or office international flights and destination of international flights.
- (5) Minister's and/or office domestic flights.
- (6) Travel-related expenses.
- (7) Alcohol costs.

399 **DEPARTMENTAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

399a Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

399c Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all advertising campaigns relating to the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration, indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 January 2003.

400 **CHARTER FLIGHT COSTS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

400b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology
Since 1 January 2003 to date, what are the details for all charter flights, including helicopters and light planes, used by the Minister and/or the Minister's office indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Carrier.
- (3) Destination.
- (4) Cost.
- (5) Purpose.

401 **CONSULTANCIES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

401a Minister for Innovation

401b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of each consultancy commissioned by the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration since 1 January 2003, indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Cost.
- (3) Purpose.
- (4) Name and address of consultant.
- (5) Recommendations made.
- (6) Action taken in response to any recommendations.
- (7) Whether tenders were called.

402 **DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers—

402a Minister for Innovation

402b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all publications produced by the Minister's department, indicating in each case —

- (1) Title.
- (2) Date of issue and distribution.
- (3) Cost of production.
- (4) Number printed.
- (5) Printer's name.
- (6) Details of distribution, including numbers and cost.
- (7) The purpose of the production.

405 **ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

405a Minister for Innovation

405b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

With reference to the Minister's office and/or departmental resources used by the Minister, what are the details of all entertainment expenses incurred, indicating —

- (1) The total costs.
- (2) Itemised details of all expenditure over \$500 including —
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) number of guests;
 - (c) cost;
 - (d) purpose; and
 - (e) name of the service provider.

410 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

410ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance

410aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology

410ao Minister for WorkCover

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) Since 20 October 1999, how many jobs awarded to the company were exempted from the Victorian Government Purchasing Board.
- (2) On what grounds were exemptions given.
- (3) Was a certificate of exemption issued.
- (4) Who signed the documents granting exemption.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 3 MARCH 2004

411 **WORKPLACE BULLYING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

411i Minister for Education Services

411aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology

411ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) How many cases of bullying in the workplace have been reported to each department or agency under the aegis of the Minister between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2003.
- (2) How many of these claims resulted in WorkCover cases being established.
- (3) What was the total cost of these claims.
- (4) What has been the dollar increase in premiums for each individual department or agency due to claims for bullying in the workplace.

413 **CHILD-SEX OFFENDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the visit of convicted child-sex offender Paul Cudmore to Northcote Shopping Plaza —

- (1) What was the outcome of the full examination and inquiry by the Department of Human Services announced by the Premier on 23 February 2004 into how Paul Cudmore was able to abscond from his guardians and will the Minister make public the outcome of the inquiry.
- (2) Was recommendation 20 of the September 2001 Report of the Review Panel to Consider the Operation of the Disability Services at the Statewide Forensic Service (SFS) followed and had the staff member accompanying Mr Cudmore —
 - (a) worked for SFS for at least six months;
 - (b) undertaken and satisfactorily completed the workplace orientation and induction program;
 - (c) completed at least 18 shifts within Mr Cudmore's unit of residence.

- (3) Why were SFS rules concerning community access (leave), which state that SFS clients with a history of child-sex offences should not be taken to areas frequented by children, ignored in this case.

414 **INQUIRY INTO THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the inquiry into the juvenile justice system by Mr Bob Falconer, announced by the Premier on 16 February 2004, to provide —

- (1) Terms of reference.
- (2) Timelines.
- (3) Costs.

416 **CHAIRPERSON OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the appointment of Mr Stan Naylor as Chairperson of the Central Health Interpreter Service —

- (1) What were the terms of reference for his appointment.
- (2) What were the reasons all former Board members declined to be reappointed.
- (3) What was the name of the report prepared by Mr Naylor which reviewed the Service.
- (4) What were the recommendations in the report.

421 **BOYD HOUSE** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what has been the total cost of consultancies, including legal fees, engaged by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, and Heritage Victoria and/or their representatives and agents, concerning action taken in relation to 666 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, otherwise known as the 'Boyd House', and its owner Maria Rajendrau, for each year since 30 June 1999.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 30 MARCH 2004

423 **BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS (BEST)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —

- (1) Is there a register maintained of declared gifts, gratuities or other benefits, as received by BEST management, employees and contractors, from external companies, organisations or individuals.
- (2) If there is no register, what probity measures are in place to ensure that BEST management, employees and contractors are not subjected to offers of, or accept, monetary or non-monetary inducements/benefits from potential bidders, actual bidders or other stakeholders, on projects managed or overseen by BEST.

- (3) Have any gifts, gratuities or other benefits been declared by BEST management, employees and contractors in relation to three current projects under management of BEST — the Mobile Data Terminal Network (MDT), the Melbourne Metropolitan Radio Network (MMR) and the Emergency Altering System (EAS).

424 **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY BURWOOD CAMPUS NORTHERN OVAL** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the discussions with the Burwood campus of Deakin University regarding the ownership and use of the site known as the Northern Oval —

- (1) When did the discussions start.
- (2) How many discussions or meetings have taken place.
- (3) What specifically has been discussed so far.
- (4) What is still to be discussed.
- (5) What agreements have been reached.
- (6) Is one of the points of discussion about a long term recreation space agreement and, if so, how long would that agreement last.
- (7) Has the Government offered Deakin University a price for the land and, if so, how much.
- (8) When will the Deakin-owned portion of the Northern Oval be transferred to public ownership as stated in an e-mail from the Minister's office dated 22 November 2002 and has it been determined what it will take to make this now 15-month old promise happen.

426 **M>TRAIN TRAINS IN SERVICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how many Siemens six-car trains were in revenue-carrying passenger service for M>Train on Tuesday 30 March 2004.

430 **DIRECTOR OF VICTORIAN OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs — whether the position of Director or Acting Director of the Victorian Office of Multicultural Affairs has been filled and, if so, what process was followed to select the successful candidate.

431 **TRAM NETWORK RESTRICTIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) On what, if any, sections or full routes of Melbourne's tram network are the following types of trams unable to operate —
 - (a) 'D1' class three-section Combinos;
 - (b) 'D2' class five-section Combinos;

- (c) Citadis trams.
- (2) What action, if any, does Yarra Trams or the Department of Infrastructure intend to take to rectify any such deficiencies in the network and by what date will each specific restriction be lifted.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 31 MARCH 2004

- 434 **DRAG RACING IN ELWOOD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to drag racing on Ormond Esplanade, Elwood —
- (1) What measures have police taken to reduce this activity.
 - (2) How many people have been fined for such activity in 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 436 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services — what was the aggregate sum approved for flood relief by the Department of Human Services for the December 2003 floods and the January 2004 floods in metropolitan Melbourne.
- 437 **FLOOD RELIEF** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Community Services —
- (1) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services receive for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.
 - (2) How many applications for flood relief did the Department of Human Services approve for each affected metropolitan municipal area for the —
 - (a) December 2003 floods;
 - (b) January 2004 floods.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 APRIL 2004

- 438 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO PROBITY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to the *Probity Plan for the Docklands Film and Television Studio Complex Project* —
- (1) Was the template Confidentiality Agreement Annex B used; if not, why.
 - (2) Were confidentiality statements obtained from all Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor.

- (3) On what date/s were the confidentiality statements obtained.
- (4) How many confidentiality statements were not obtained and from whom were they not obtained.
- (5) If there was a failure to obtain confidentiality statements, including from any new consultants and team members, what was the reason.
- (6) Were all 'movements of submissions' logged and monitored, and how many were there.
- (7) In Phase 3 (Request for Tender) were the confidentiality statements for Steering Committee members, project team members, external consultants, the probity advisor and the probity auditor confirmed; if not, why.
- (8) If the confidentiality statements were confirmed, on what date/s were they confirmed.
- (9) How many 'interviews and presentations' took place during the Request for Tender stage.
- (10) On what dates, and with which tenderer, did these 'interviews and presentations' take place.
- (11) Were records of interviews, meetings, agendas and file notes kept of all these 'interviews and presentations'; if not, on which dates and in relation to which tenderers were written records not kept.
- (12) Who were the 'authorised persons' with access to 'documents which contain tender related commercially sensitive information'.
- (13) Were all documents containing tender related commercially sensitive information 'stored at all times in secure conditions'.
- (14) Where precisely and under what circumstances was this information stored.
- (15) Was a 'Movement Control Register' maintained; if so, how many movements were recorded in the register.
- (16) Which tenders appeared on the Movement Control Register, on which dates were the tenders moved and returned, and to whom were the tenders issued.
- (17) Was the electronic information kept in the manner prescribed.
- (18) What were all the dates of meetings with Central City Studios (CCS) and were all these meetings attended by the required two persons; if not, on which date/s did meetings take place without the stipulated two persons being present.
- (19) On which date/s was a minute taker not present.

- 439 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —
- (1) Did the Minister meet with Central City Studios (CCS) or any person/s purporting to represent CCS; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
 - (2) Did the Minister meet with Mr Peter Bartels; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
- 440 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT AUDITOR** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — why was no probity auditor appointed as at 30 August 2001 when Expression of Interests (EOIs) had already been called for.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 21 APRIL 2004

- 441 **UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ON NOTICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will questions 77, 225, 253, 254, 343, 350, 352, 372, 373, 375, 381, 382, 388b and 389 asked between 25 March 2003 and 25 November 2003 be answered.
- 448 **BIG HILL TUNNEL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What speed is presently allowed through the tunnel on the existing double track between Kyneton and Bendigo.
 - (2) What would be the fastest safe speed for a 'V'locity' train through the tunnel if double track was retained in the exact position it is now and the track upgraded with concrete sleepers and 60 kg/m rail.
 - (3) What is the predicted actual speed of trains through the tunnel once the upgrade is complete travelling —
 - (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.
 - (4) If double track was retained through the tunnel and 'V'locity' trains slowed (if necessary) to the maximum safe speed through the tunnel, what would be the delay in seconds solely due to the tunnel speed restriction for trains travelling —
 - (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.

449 SPEED OF TRAINS — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What is the maximum speed a 'V'locity' train running on the high standard track specified for the Bendigo upgrade can reach without its predicted kinematic envelope exceeding the actual kinematic envelope of a Sprinter running at 130 km/h on the existing track.
- (2) If double track was retained and upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) track under Conlans Road Bridge at Taradale, what would be the maximum speed under the bridge of a 'V'locity' train that would be 'not less safe' than existing Sprinter trains passing under Conlans Road Bridge on the existing track at 130 km/h.
- (3) Between Elphinstone and Bendigo, what are the locations of the present 'up' track that will require removal in order to realign the existing 'down' track for higher speeds and, at each location, what speed will apply after the realignment, and what would be the maximum possible safe speed if double track was retained.
- (4) What time saving is achieved solely due to each section of realigned track between Elphinstone and Bendigo, and what is the total time saving between these locations due to realigned track.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 4 MAY 2004

454 ADVERTISING EXPENDITURE — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — what was the total amount of expenditure across the whole of the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development for advertising promotions in 2002–2003.

455 VICURBAN HOUSING ACCESS — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what measures have been or will be put into place to ensure future housing developments by VicUrban are more accessible, for both entry and inside the dwelling, for people with a disability.

461 TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND RAILWAY BOOM GATES — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many malfunctions of traffic lights installed in conjunction with railway boom barriers/flashing lights occurred between 1 March and 4 May 2004.
- (2) What was the longest delay applying between reporting to the VicRoads call centre, VicTrack switchboard, M>Train or Connex, and the traffic lights and boom barriers returning to normal operation.
- (3) At how many locations are combined traffic light and railway boom barriers or flashing lights installed —
 - (a) in metropolitan Melbourne;

- (b) more than 60 kilometres from the GPO.

463 **SOUTHERN AND EASTERN INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AUTHORITY STAFF** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many staff employed at the Authority were employed on a —
- (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.
- (2) What is the expected total for remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority in —
- (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2004–2005.
- (3) How much has been expended in remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority to 4 May 2004.
- (4) During 2004–2005 what number of staff will be employed on a —
- (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.

465 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

466 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ and the injured person was a member of staff in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

467 **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many emergency notifications were sent by Emergency and Security Management where the type of incident included the word ‘assault’ in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 to each of —

- (1) Barwon South Western Region.

- (2) Central Highlands Wimmera Region.
- (3) Gippsland Region.
- (4) Goulburn North Eastern Region.
- (5) Loddon Campaspe Mallee Region.
- (6) Eastern Metropolitan Region.
- (7) Northern Metropolitan Region.
- (8) Southern Metropolitan Region.
- (9) Western Metropolitan Region.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 MAY 2004

472 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) When are speed restrictions, slowing passenger trains between Sale and Bairnsdale, expected to be lifted.
- (2) What is the current line speed for passenger trains between Traralgon and Sale.
- (3) Do any railway bridges between Traralgon and Sale require replacement or urgent remedial work; if so —
 - (a) what is the likely cost for each location;
 - (b) when will the works be undertaken;
 - (c) what speed limits currently apply for passenger or freight trains at each location.

473 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Apart from the bridge works previously publicised in the Leongatha area, have any contracts been entered into for works to reinstate regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains between —
 - (a) Ballarat, Maryborough and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) what was each contact for;

- (b) with whom was it entered into;
 - (c) what amount was it for;
 - (d) when does each contract conclude.
- (3) When will regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains again run between —
- (a) Ballarat and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.

474 **GAUGE STANDARDISATION PROJECT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how much would the project announced in 2001 at a cost of \$96 million, and subsequently deferred, cost in May 2004.

477 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 55 — what are the names of each of the primary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.

478 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 — what are the names of each of the secondary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.

482 **ESL IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the measure 'eligible students in regular schools receiving English as a Second Language (ESL) support in primary schools' —

482b Minister for Education and Training

What is the reason almost nine per cent of eligible students miss out on ESL support.

483 **KOORI EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the 15 Koori educators employed —

483b Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Where are they employed.
- (2) What are their duties.

484 **HOME LIAISON EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the six home liaison officers employed —

484b Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Where are they employed.
- (2) What are their duties.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 11 MAY 2004

486 **STATE DISABILITY PLAN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to page 47 of the State Disability Plan 2002–2012 which refers to the commitment of the Government to undertake a yearly review of the priority strategies and to publish reports that show the Government's progress —

- (1) Has the yearly review been completed; if so, what was the date of completion of the review and what were its findings.
- (2) Have the reports which show the Government's progress been completed; if so, what were the dates of completion of the reports and what were their findings.

487 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE COMPENSATION** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

487c Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

- (1) Has the Government agreed to compensate the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people for allowing the Somerville Secondary College Campus to be built; if so, what form will this compensation take.
- (2) What agreement exists between any, and which, representatives of the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people.
- (3) What payments have been made to any, and which, of these representatives.
- (4) What changes to the school design will be made as a result of any such compensation agreements.

QUESTION ASKED ON 13 MAY 2004

494 **BOAT LAUNCHING RAMPS ON PORT PHILLIP BAY** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the siltation around a number of boat launching ramps on Port Phillip Bay —

- (1) Which level of Government is responsible for dredging sand around boat launching ramps.
- (2) Which level of Government is responsible for the area to the low water mark.

- (3) Which level of Government is responsible for the area between the low water mark and the high water mark.
- (4) What arrangements are in place to dredge or remove the sand around the Black Rock launching ramp at Half Moon Bay and what is the time frame for such works to be undertaken.

QUESTION ASKED ON 26 MAY 2004

498 **TAFE FEES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to Mark Latham's promise to abolish Tertiary and Further Education (TAFE) fees for secondary school students and his statement on the ABC *7:30 Report* on 12 May 2004 that Jenny Macklin has received the approval of the states and territories for this proposal —

498a Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Has Jenny Macklin spoken to the Minister about this proposal.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) when were these discussions undertaken;
 - (b) when was the abolition of any TAFE fees first discussed;
 - (c) how many/what proportion of school students actually pay TAFE fees;
 - (d) what fees are proposed to be paid by —
 - (i) students doing Vocational Education and Training (VET) in schools;
 - (ii) students doing a year 12 equivalent;
 - (e) will the Government pick up the cost of the TAFE fees or will the student be required to pay, if a student drops out of secondary school;
 - (f) will the Government abolish fees for school-based new apprentices;
 - (g) does a student who starts a school-based new apprenticeship in year 12, and the fee is abolished, have to pay TAFE fees in the second year;
 - (h) will the proposal also cover early enrolment in TAFE degrees, worth up to \$12,000 a place;
 - (i) what will be the impact on State revenue;
 - (j) how much compensation will the State receive for each TAFE fee abolished.

QUESTION ASKED ON 3 JUNE 2004

- 506 **ELETRONIC ELECTIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Premier — has the Premier considered the email dated 27 May 2004 of Anthony van der Craats asking that there be a review into ‘the conduct and scrutiny of electronic elections and the role of Victorian Electoral Commission amidst concerns that its software technology fails to meet basic industry standard’; if so, what is the Premier’s response.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 24 AUGUST 2004

- 507 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN STATE FORESTS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by the Department of Sustainability and Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Buckwong Hut No 1, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built for Gibsons.
- (2) Buckwong Hut No 2, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built by Rusty Connley.
- (3) Carmody’s Hut, Wild Boar Range.
- (4) Centenary Mine Hut (Centennial), Guns Creek, West branch of Ovens River above Harrierville.
- (5) Dunstan Logging Huts, Dunstans Logging Road, 0.5 kilometres east of Upper Papes Track —
 - (a) No 1;
 - (b) No 2;
 - (c) No 3;
 - (d) No 4;
 - (e) No 5.
- (6) Gibson’s (Old) Hut, Walkers Logging Track, Elliots, Damm Track.
- (7) Mt Selwyn Hut, Mt Selwyn.
- (8) Mulhauser Mine Hut, Bogong Saddle.
- (9) Shower Block Hut, Tee Tree Range Road, Humffray River State Forest.

- 508 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN ALPINE NATIONAL PARK** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts in Alpine National Park managed by Parks Victoria —

what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Bogong Creek No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (2) Bogong Creek No 2, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (3) Batty's Hut, New Country Spur north of Mt Nelse, Batty Spur.
- (4) Bogong Aqueduct No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (5) Bogong Aqueduct No 5, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (6) Burnside Hut, Burnside Creek, Knocker Track.
- (7) Charlie Creek Hut, Davies Plain Track, Charlie Creek.
- (8) Dr Searles Hut, Gibbo River Junction.
- (9) Federation Hut, Bungalow Spur west of Mt Feathertop.
- (10) Huggins (Honeymoon) Hut, Buckety Plain area.
- (11) MacFarlanes Flat Hut, MacFarlanes Flat — built by Buff.
- (12) McNamara's Hut, Buckety Plain.
- (13) Michell Hut, Eskdale Spur.
- (14) Mt Benambra Fire Tower, Mt Benambra.
- (15) Mussurie Hut, near Pluto Creek, Gibbo River Junction.
- (16) Quintet Mine Hut No 1, Swindlers Spur.
- (17) Quintet Mine Hut No 2, Swindlers Spur.
- (18) Red Hut, Rocky Valley Creek, Roper Saddle.
- (19) Red Robin Battery Hut, West Kiewa River.
- (20) Ropers Hut, Duane Spur.
- (21) Sheever Spur, Dartmouth.
- (22) Springs Saddle Hut, Mt Fainter.
- (23) Sykes Dogman's Hut, New Yard Flat.
- (24) West Humffray Hut, West Humffray Road, Barry Range.

- 509 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN NATIONAL PARKS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —
- (1) Bon Accord Hut, Bon Accord Spur north of Mt Hotham.
 - (2) Briggs Logging Camp Hut (West Kiewa), West Kiewa River west of Mt Fainter.
 - (3) Red Robin Mine Hut, North of Mt Loch, Machinery Spur.
 - (4) Reservoir Hut, Crystal Brook Reservoir, Mt Buffalo National Park.
- 510 **CONDITION OF HUTS ON CROWN LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —
- (1) Euco Stephenson's Hut, Nine Mile Creek, near Eight Mile Loop Track.
 - (2) Long Plain Hut, Limestone, south of Dead Horse Creek.
 - (3) Worcester Mine Hut, Bingo, via Omeo.
- 511 **CONDITION OF HUT AT MT HOTHAM** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of the Damm Hut, 50 metres north of Alpine Road, Dungay Hollow, on Mt Hotham Resort and if it has not been rebuilt what is the timeline for its reconstruction.
- 512 **REVIEW OF ACCELERATED LEARNING** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to an article, which appeared on page 15 of the *Mordialloc Chelsea Leader* on 18 August 2004, in which a spokesperson for the Minister announced that the Government will undertake a three-year review of accelerated learning programs across the state — what are the terms of reference of the review and who will be conducting it.
- 513 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT** — Ms Asher to ask the following ministers with reference to Mr Neil O'Keefe and the Melbourne Showgrounds redevelopment project —
- 513a Minister for Agriculture
513b Minister for Major Projects
- (1) On what date did Mr O'Keefe, former Chair of the Joint Venture of the Showgrounds redevelopment project, resign.
 - (2) On what date was the Minister advised of Mr O'Keefe's resignation.
 - (3) What was the reason for Mr O'Keefe's resignation.

514 **TAXES IMPOSED ON BUSINESSES IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to businesses located in postcodes 3186 (Brighton) and 3187 (Brighton East) —

- (1) How many businesses were levied with pay-roll tax in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
- (2) What was the total value of pay-roll tax for each postcode in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
- (3) How many individuals and businesses were levied with land tax in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
- (4) What was the total value of land tax for each postcode in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.

516 **BROKEN PROMENADE SEA WALL** — Mr Thompsen to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the broken promenade sea wall proximate to Third Street, Black Rock —

- (1) What assessment has been made of the cost of repairs.
- (2) What is the timeframe for the repair of the wall.

- (3) What steps have been taken to minimise a cost escalation of the repair works due to any inaction on the part of the Government.

518 **CESSATION OF WEST COAST RAIL SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Since West Coast Rail ceased operating the service in May 2004, how many single journey scheduled rail services on the Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool corridor have been operated by —
 - (a) trains;
 - (b) road coaches.
- (2) Has patronage of the service declined since it became a mix of train and coaches; if so, by what percentage.
- (3) Will V/Line operate the same number of package tours to Warrnambool and beyond as West Coast Rail has previously.
- (4) How many adult passengers, in each direction, does V/Line hope to carry each year on the South Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool rail service.
- (5) How many concession passengers, in each direction, does V/Line hope to carry each year on the South Geelong–Colac–Warrnambool rail service.

519 **V/LINE 'V'LOCITY' RAILCARS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the new 'V'locity' railcars —

- (1) What provisions do the new railcars have for powering laptop computers.
- (2) How many of the 144 seats per set will have access to such provisions.
- (3) What is the seat pitch in centimetres on the 'V'locity' railcars and how does this compare to 'Sprinters', an 'ACN' and a 'BN' class carriage.

521 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What has been the expenditure since 6 May 2004 on restoring passenger services to the rail lines —
 - (a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.
- (2) When will regular V/Line services commence operation on the rail lines —
 - (a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;

(b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.

525 **ANTIBES STREET/SEVENTH STREET UPGRADES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Minister's Press Release dated 1 November 2002 in which he stated that upgrades would be carried out in 2003 at Antibes Street/Seventh Street, Parkdale —

- (1) What is the current status of the Government's election promise to put in a state of the art crossover at the end of Seventh Avenue, Parkdale.
- (2) Why have the works not been completed.
- (3) What plans does the Government have to fulfil its election promise and what date will the project be completed.

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526 **TRAIN CANCELLATION ON BELGRAVE–LILYDALE LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of the 8.28 am train from East Camberwell station to the city on Friday 27 August 2004 —

- (1) What was the cause of the cancelled service.
- (2) What steps is the Minister taking to assist improved patronage of the public transport system rather than it being run down through unreliable service provision.

527 **FUNDING FOR HISTORICAL COMPLEXES IN THE PARKS VICTORIA PORTFOLIO** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the report by Heritage Council Victoria entitled *Review of Heritage Place Management in Victoria 2003*, which found that there is a need for funding of major works for large, significant historical complexes in the Parks Victoria portfolio — what has the Government done to address this need for funding.

528 **FUNDING FOR PARKS VICTORIA HUMAN AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the report by Heritage Council Victoria entitled *Review of Heritage Place Management in Victoria 2003*, which found that Parks Victoria has inadequate human and financial resources to realise the full potential of visitor services — what has the Government done to redress this lack of funding.

529 **CULTURAL HERITAGE INSPECTORS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs with reference to the appointment of cultural heritage inspectors under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984 (Cth) relevant sections of which are managed by the State Minister —

- (1) How many inspectors are currently registered in Victoria.

- (2) What is the method of appointment of inspectors.
- (3) What is the method of revocation of appointment of inspectors.
- (4) How many inspectors, of the ones currently registered, are qualified to do the authorised work.
- (5) Are there any inspectors on the list who have not done any inspection work over the last 12 months.
- (6) When will the next training course be conducted and how will prospective and well qualified potential applicants be notified.

530 **MERGER TO FORM VICURBAN** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the merger of the Urban and Regional Land Corporation (URLC) and the Docklands Authority to form VicUrban —

- (1) Prior to the merger was an audit performed of the —
 - (a) URLC;
 - (b) Docklands Authority.
- (2) Prior to the merger what financial studies were undertaken by —
 - (a) URLC;
 - (b) Docklands Authority.
- (3) How many staff from the former URLC have left VicUrban.

531 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Treasury and Finance paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre; if so, how many and which courses.

532 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre; if so, how many and which courses.

533 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Infrastructure paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre ; if so, how many and which courses.

534 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) On what date was Mr Neil O'Keefe appointed as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (2) On what date was the actual decision made to short-list the three bidders, Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions, for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (3) What were the names of the people who took the decision to put Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions on the short-list.
- (4) On what date did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise that he had a conflict of interest.
- (5) On what date was the Minister advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (6) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise the Minister that he had a conflict of interest.
- (7) On what date was the Executive Director of Major Projects, Mr James Cain, advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (8) What action did Mr James Cain take.
- (9) On what date did Mr James Cain advise the Minister or the Minister's office of this.
- (10) On what date was the probity auditor appointed.
- (11) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (12) If the Minister was advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest, what did the Minister do to protect the integrity of the tender process.
- (13) If Mr Neil O'Keefe resigned in May 2004, why was a public announcement delayed until August 2004.
- (14) On what date was the Minister advised that the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid had been renamed Showcase Victoria.
- (15) Were there any variations in the number and name of the companies involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and the Showcase Victoria bid; if yes, what were the variations.
- (16) On what date was the decision made to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (17) What were the names of the people who took the decision to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (18) Why was the Showcase Victoria bid dropped from the short-list.

- (19) What remuneration did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive while Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (20) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive any remuneration after he advised the Government of his resignation as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project; if yes, what was the amount.
- (21) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Terence Cuddy was involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and was also a Director of RIP3e, a company of which Mr Neil O'Keefe was also Director.
- (22) Did the probity auditor give any advice regarding the promotion of the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid by Mr Neil O'Keefe in the article featured in *The Sunday Age* dated 1 February 2004.
- (23) On what date was the Government advised that Mr Terence Cuddy was involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and was also a Director of RIP3e, a company of which Mr Neil O'Keefe was also a Director.
- (24) Did the Government at any time approve Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook's use of Mr Terence Cuddy in their bid.

535 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Agriculture —

- (1) On what date was Mr Neil O'Keefe appointed as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (2) On what date was the actual decision made to short-list the three bidders, Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions, for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (3) What were the names of the people who took the decision to put Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions on the short-list.
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- (21) Did the Government at any time approve Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook's use of Mr Terence Cuddy in their bid.

536 **OFFICE FOR YOUTH** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs with reference to the Office for Youth and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration —

- (1) What are the details of all advertising campaigns indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 June 2003.
- (2) From 1 June 2003 to date, what are the details of all publications produced, indicating in each case the —
 - (a) title of the publication;
 - (b) date of issue/distribution;

- (c) cost of production;
- (d) quantity printed;
- (e) name of the printer;
- (f) details of distribution, including numbers and cost;
- (g) purpose of production.

537 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of the 8.05 am train departing Sandringham on 16 August 2004 which led to a doubling of the passenger numbers on the 8.15 am train which first stopped at Ripponlea Station for approximately five minutes and then stopped completely at Windsor Station requiring passengers to disembark the train at Windsor and those that could manage to do so to board the 8.25 am ex-Sandringham train —

- (1) Why was the 8.05 am ex-Sandringham train cancelled.
- (2) Why did the 8.15 am ex-Sandringham train stop at the Ripponlea Station for approximately five minutes.
- (3) Why were passengers required to disembark from the train at Windsor Station.
- (4) What steps can the Minister take to ensure that three train loads of commuters are not expected to board one train during peak hour.

538 **CHELTENHAM RAILWAY STATION CARPARK** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to safety issues at the station's commuter carpark, which accesses Charman Road, and in particular the risk to pedestrian safety (including senior citizens, parents and children accessing Cheltenham Primary School); the current zebra crossing paint which is worn and barely visible for its purpose and the current access from Charman Road to the car park which is by way of an angular travel way and which encourages vehicles to use high speed — what steps can the Minister take to arrange for the re-engineering of the car park access to a right angle approach in order to slow vehicles down and to improve pedestrian safety.

539 **FUNDING OF LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the issue of funding for languages other than English as part of the out of school hours program — what has been the Government funding commitment for each of —

- (1) 1999–2000.
- (2) 2000–2001.
- (3) 2001–2002.
- (4) 2002–2003.

(5) 2003–2004.

- 540 **CLEAN UP NOTICE TO NORTH SUBURBAN PROPERTIES PTY LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the notice directed to North Suburban Properties Pty Ltd, the owner of premises situated at 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick, which noted the company had not complied with paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 — why has the Environment Protection Authority not enforced the terms of the clean up notice against the company.
- 541 **CLEAN UP NOTICE AGAINST SPOTLESS GROUP LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the premises situated at 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick which were formerly owned/occupied by Spotless Group Ltd — why has the Environment Protection Authority not issued a clean up notice against the Spotless Group Ltd.
- 542 **INSTALLATION OF TANKS PERMIT FOR SPOTLESS GROUP LTD** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the land situated 227–231 Barkly Street, Brunswick on which site Spotless Group Ltd applied for a permit to install tanks — why has the Environmental Protection Authority not served Spotless Group Ltd with a clean up notice.
- 543 **ENFORCEMENT OF CLEAN UP NOTICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment — why has the Environmental Protection Authority not enforced the clean up notice it served on the proprietors of 225 Barkly Street, Brunswick.
- 544 **SECURE WELFARE SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — what secure welfare services, as defined in Section 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently provided for males and females.
- 545 **CHILDREN REMANDED IN CUSTODY** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently remanded in custody.
- 546 **SECURE WELFARE SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children have been placed in secure welfare services, as defined in Section 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999.
- 547 **CHILDREN REMANDED IN CUSTODY** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have been remanded in custody for each and every year since 1999.
- 548 **PROTECTION ORDER WARRANTS FOR CHILDREN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many warrants have been issued to return children

subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999.

- 549 **PROTECTION ORDER WARRANTS FOR CHILDREN** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children, subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have had warrants issued to return them to their placements under section 265 of that Act for each and every year since 1999.
- 550 **CHILDREN SERVING SENTENCES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, are currently serving sentences in juvenile justice centres.
- 551 **CHILDREN SUBJECT TO PROTECTION ORDERS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children have been made subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, for each and every year since 1999 under each of the following categories —
- (1) Supervision orders.
 - (2) Custody to third party orders.
 - (3) Supervised custody orders.
 - (4) Custody to the Secretary orders.
 - (5) Guardianship to the Secretary orders.
 - (6) Interim protection orders.
- 552 **CHILDREN CONVICTED OF CRIMINAL OFFENCES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — how many children subject to protection orders, as defined in Division 6 of Part 3 of the *Children and Young Persons Act 1989*, have been convicted of criminal offences resulting in a custodial sentence for each and every year since 1999.

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- 553 **TRAIN FAILURES AT WALLAN** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the failures at Wallan of the 0724 Seymour V/Line service and the 0750 Albury V/Line service on Friday 10 September 2004 —
- (1) Did both of these services fail.

- (2) What caused the 'Sprinter' (Seymour service) and locomotive (Albury service) to fail.
- (3) Where were each of the items of motive power repaired and at what cost.
- (4) Have both items of motive power returned to service; if so, on what date did they return to service; if not, how long will they be out of service.
- (5) How many coaches were hired to replace each train.
- (6) Did any coaches replacing the Albury service run all the way from Wallan to Albury without passengers being required to further change coaches; if not, why not.

554 **DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE IBM GLOBAL SERVICES CONTRACT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the Department of Infrastructure's contracts with IBM Global Services' Ballarat office —

- (1) What dates do the various contracts expire.
- (2) What items are covered by each contract.

555 **V/LINE SERVICES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) Will V/Line lease B76 from Southern Short Haul Railroad; if not, why not.
- (2) How many of the following items of motive power were in service with V/Line on 15 September 2004 —
 - (a) Sprinters;
 - (b) 'N' class locomotives;
 - (c) 'P' class locomotives;
 - (d) 'S' class locomotives;
 - (e) 'A' class locomotives;
 - (f) Locomotive-hauled carriages.
- (3) How many of each item of motive power listed above were being serviced and were therefore out of service on 15 September 2004 at —
 - (a) EDI Rail Newport;
 - (b) EDI Rail Dudley Street;
 - (c) South Dynon;
 - (d) elsewhere.

- (4) How many of each item of motive power listed in sub-question (2) did V/Line require to run its full scheduled weekday service on 15 September 2004.
- (5) How many scheduled rail services were operated by road coaches on 15 September 2004 and what was the reason for any such substitutions.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 OCTOBER 2004

- 556 **KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL PLANNING PERMIT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the conditions of the Council's Planning Permit No 360/91 and the non compliance by the owners/occupiers of the land situated at the corner of Tootals Road and Old Dandenong Road, Dingley Village with multiple Pollution Abatement Notices served on them by the Environment Protection Authority —
- (1) What action has the Government taken to alleviate the public health concerns of residents resulting from the discharge of pollutants from the site.
 - (2) What steps will the Government take to protect the health interests of the local Dingley community and to enforce the terms of the Pollution Abatement Notices.
- 557 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the answer to question 492 received on 4 October 2004 relating to the urgently needed capital upgrades for Traralgon South Primary School and the meeting promised by the Minister between the regional staff and the School that did not take place in September —
- (1) When will the meeting take place.
 - (2) When will the School get its much needed permanent replacements for its decaying portable classrooms.
- 558 **FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport further to the answer to question 350 received on 4 October 2004 — what was the farebox revenue collected for each of the ticket types by zone for —
- (1) 2003–2004.
 - (2) The first quarter of 2004–2005.
- 559 **ROAD SAFETY PROJECTS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What amount has been spent on road safety projects with the word 'motorcycle' or 'motorcyclists' in their title or other commonly used descriptors, or otherwise aimed principally at enhancing motorcyclists' rather than just general road users' safety in —
 - (a) 2002–2003;

- (b) 2003–2004;
 - (c) the first quarter of 2004–2005.
- (2) What was the name of each project, its location, aim and cost in each year or quarter.

560 **V/LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many passenger journeys were made on V/Line trains or coaches in each quarter from the June 2002 quarter to the September 2004 quarter inclusive.
- (2) How many passengers were tallied on each individual V/Line rail or coach service operated on Tuesday 5 October 2004, including Department of Infrastructure (DOI) services that appear in the V/Line timetable.
- (3) What was the number of individual journeys, including those passengers connecting to V/Line or DOI road coach services made on the following lines in each of August 2002, August 2003 and August 2004 —
- (a) Geelong/South Geelong;
 - (b) beyond South Geelong to stations from Winchelsea to Warrnambool;
 - (c) Ballarat;
 - (d) Beaufort to Ararat;
 - (e) Bendigo;
 - (f) Dingee to Swan Hill;
 - (g) Seymour;
 - (h) Nagambie to Shepparton;
 - (i) Avenel to Albury;
 - (j) Traralgon;
 - (k) Rosedale to Bairnsdale;
 - (l) beyond Cranbourne to Leongatha;
 - (m) beyond Cranbourne to Inverloch.
- (4) How many adult fare passengers held V/Line Date to Date tickets on 5 October 2004 on the following lines —
- (a) South Geelong;
 - (b) Ballarat;

- (c) Bendigo;
- (d) Seymour;
- (e) Traralgon.

QUESTION ASKED ON 12 OCTOBER 2004

561 **ASSESSMENT OF BOONERWRUNG INTERESTS FROM GEOLOGICAL AND TERRITORIAL PERSPECTIVES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the report titled *Assessment of Boonerwung interests from geological and territorial perspectives* prepared by Dr Clark of the Department of Justice —

- (1) What was the cost of the report.
- (2) For what purpose was it prepared.
- (3) To date, why has access to the report been restricted.

QUESTION ASKED ON 13 OCTOBER 2004

562 **MELBOURNE BUS LINK** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to correspondence received from a constituent relaying an incident which occurred on Melbourne Bus Link on Sunday 10 October 2004 where a bus scheduled to leave Sandringham Railway Station at 2.04 pm did not depart and instead was driven back to the bus depot much to the inconvenience and annoyance of the passengers, who had boarded the bus at 2.00 pm but were told to disembark at 2.30 pm because the replacement driver was unavailable, this delay being of apparent amusement to the bus driver who passed several comments about being paid overtime whilst waiting for the replacement driver —

- (1) What was the reason for the cancellation.
- (2) Why was there a lack of appropriate consideration for passengers already on the bus.
- (3) What steps will be taken to ensure that this incident is not repeated.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 3 NOVEMBER 2004

563 **NEW HOUSING ACQUISITIONS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to new housing acquisitions for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004 — how many units were purchased or built for less than \$100,000 in each broadband area.

- 564 **NEW HOUSING COSTS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to new housing acquisitions for 2004–2005 —
- (1) How many units will be purchased or built for less than \$100,000 per unit in each broadband area.
 - (2) What is the average price of a unit under \$100,000 in each broadband area.
- 565 **CANCELLED TRAIN SERVICES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of train services from Melbourne to Sandringham on 7 October 2004 from 10.30 pm which left a Sandringham commuter stranded for approximately one hour —
- (1) What was the reason for the cessation of train services.
 - (2) What steps has the Minister taken to redress the cause of the problem and the appalling decline in service levels on the Sandringham line.
- 566 **NEW HOUSING PROJECTS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —
- (1) What is the total value of new projects for the Office of Housing costing less than \$100,000 and therefore not listed in the *2004–2005 Public Sector Asset Investment Program — Budget Information Paper No 1* separated into —
 - (a) total estimated investment;
 - (b) estimated expenditure for 2004–2005.
 - (2) What was the purpose of each expenditure.
- 567 **BLUFF AND BAY ROADS INTERSECTION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the intersection of Bluff and Bay Roads in Sandringham which is a high frequency accident intersection — according to Police Traffic Management data how many accidents have been recorded at the intersection in —
- (1) 2004 to date;
 - (2) 2003;
 - (3) 2002;
 - (4) 2001;
 - (5) 2000.

- 568 **BLUFF AND BAY ROADS INTERSECTION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the intersection of Bluff and Bay Roads in Sandringham which is a high frequency accident intersection — what plans does the Minister have to improve traffic management of the intersection to reduce the frequency of accidents, minimise personal injury and property damage and advance public safety.
- 569 **AIRCRAFT NOISE IN THE BAYSIDE AREA** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to noise emanating from low flying aeroplanes and helicopters in the Bayside area, numbers of which would be on a flight path to and from Moorabbin Airport —
- (1) What noise regulations govern the limitation of excessive aircraft and helicopter engine sound.
 - (2) What noise restrictions, if any, apply to low flying operations of police helicopters in the early hours of the morning.
- 570 **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPLICATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many of the 349 Freedom of Information (FOI) applications received in 2003–04 did the Department of Infrastructure (DOI) —
 - (a) grant access to in full;
 - (b) grant access to in part;
 - (c) deny access to;
 - (d) treat as withdrawn.
 - (2) What was the result of each FOI appeal to VCAT in 2003–04.
 - (3) How many FOI applications were processed within 45 days in 2003–04.
 - (4) Why does the information in (1) and (3) above not appear in the DOI Annual Report for 2003–04.
- 571 **V/LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What has been the cash farebox revenue received by V/Line between —
 - (a) 1 January to 30 June 2004;
 - (b) 1 July to 30 September 2004.
 - (2) What amount was received for each of the above periods a year earlier.

- (3) How many individual passenger journeys were made on V/Line in each of the above 2003 and 2004 periods.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 9 NOVEMBER 2004

572 **COURT HOUSE IN HIGHETT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney General with reference to his recent announcement of the development of a \$28 million Court House in Highett to be completed by 2007 —

- (1) When is it envisaged that the project will commence.
- (2) Will the new court house development include a prison or holding cells; if so, what will be the holding capacity.
- (3) Will the new court house development incorporate a police station.
- (4) What are the implications of this development for the development of the Sandringham Police Station.
- (5) What are the implications of this development for the development of the Cheltenham Police Station.
- (6) What are the implications of this decision for the Moorabbin Police complex.
- (7) What will be the impact of the development, if any, on the current use of public open space including the Sir William Fry Reserve.

573 **SOUTHLAND RAILWAY STATION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the announcement by the Attorney General of the development of a \$28 million Court House in Highett and the public statement made by the Government about a feasibility study into plans to build a Southland railway station —

- (1) Will the Government guarantee the continued future of the Cheltenham and Highett railway stations in the event of a new Southland station being constructed.
- (2) What is the anticipated increase in commuter time to the city as a consequence of the station being built.

574 **MAJOR PROJECTS VICTORIA (MPV)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) How many staff (full time equivalent) are currently employed by MPV.
- (2) How many staff (full time equivalent) were employed by MPV in —
 - (a) 2001–2002;

(b) 2002–2003.

575 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND YOUTH AFFAIRS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs —

(1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —

(a) 2003–2004;

(b) 2002–2003.

(2) If so —

(a) what were the dates of travel;

(b) what were the destinations of travel;

(c) what were the purposes of the travel.

576 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR MAJOR PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

(1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —

(a) 2003–2004;

(b) 2002–2003.

(2) If so —

(a) what were the dates of travel;

(b) what were the destinations of travel;

(c) what were the purposes of the travel.

577 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR STATE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —

(1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —

(a) 2003–2004;

(b) 2002–2003.

(2) If so —

(a) what were the dates of travel;

- (b) what were the destinations of travel;
- (c) what were the purposes for the travel.

578 **PILOT VEHICLES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the learner driver handbook *Road to Solo Driving* which only has a limited description of the role of and signage for pilot vehicles which assist with the transport of oversized loads on Victoria's roads —

- (1) What steps need to be taken to review safety procedures following the death which occurred early this year when a vehicle ran into a truck carrying a transformer on Springvale Road, Glen Waverley.
- (2) What steps are proposed to improve the driver education and awareness of the role played by pilot vehicles.
- (3) What steps are the Government planning to take to improve the visibility of pilot vehicles such as a change in warning light colour from amber to magenta.
- (4) What consultations has the Minister had with the pilots' association.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 9 NOVEMBER 2004

579 **PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) Are any Ministry upgrades proposed for the units in Balcombe Road, Mentone.
- (2) Are the units fully tenanted.
- (3) For how long have any vacant units been unoccupied.

580 **VICTORIAN FUNDS MANAGEMENT CORPORATION (VFMC)** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer with reference to the statement on page 13 of the VFMC Annual Report 2003–2004 that '[I]ate in the financial year, the \$2.4 billion State of Victoria Budget sector progressively withdrew its funds managed by the Corporation' —

- (1) What were the reasons these funds were withdrawn from VFMC management.
- (2) How and by whom are these funds being managed subsequent to this withdrawal.

581 **CITYLINK** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer — on what basis did the Treasurer make his statement in the *Australian Financial Review* of 28 October 2004 that in 1996–1997 CityLink had announced a construction cost of approximately \$1.2 billion, when CityLink was announced in 1995 as a project costing \$1.7 billion.

NEW QUESTIONS

- 582 **COMMONWEALTH STATE TERRITORY DISABILITY AGREEMENT FUNDING** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —
- (1) What funds did Victoria receive from the Commonwealth in 2003–2004 under the Commonwealth State Territory Disability Agreement.
 - (2) What funds did Victoria contribute to meet its responsibilities under the Agreement in 2003–2004.
- 583 **DISABILITY SERVICE NEEDS REGISTER** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —
- (1) How many individuals are waiting on the Disability Service Needs Register for —
 - (a) shared support accommodation;
 - (b) in-home accommodation support;
 - (c) day programs.
 - (2) For each category, how many are classified as —
 - (a) urgent priority;
 - (b) high priority;
 - (c) low priority.
- 584 **DISABILITY SUPPORT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — as at 30 June 2004 how many people with disabilities were in receipt of —
- (1) Accommodation outreach support.
 - (2) Family options support.
 - (3) Flexible support packages.
 - (4) Home first.
 - (5) Individual support packages.
 - (6) Shared support accommodation.
 - (7) Transitional accommodation support.

- 585 **SHARED SUPPORTED ACCOMODATION** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the 4417 clients in shared supported accommodation as at 30 June 2004, an increase of 92 over the 2003 number of 4325 clients — how much of the increase was the result of —
- (1) Residential respite places being transferred to shared supported accommodation.
 - (2) Clients transferring from Kew Residential Services.
- 586 **DISABILITY SERVICES DIVISION** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — what were the Disability Services Division total operating expenses and total capital expenses as at June 30 2004.
- 587 **DISABILITY ADVISORY COUNCIL** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — on which dates from 1 May 2004 to June 2004 did the Minister meet with members of the Disability Advisory Council of Victoria.
- 588 **KEW RESIDENTIAL SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the redevelopment of Kew Residential Services, as at 30 June 2004 —
- (1) What is the total recurrent expenditure incurred.
 - (2) What is the total capital expenditure incurred.
 - (3) What is the total redevelopment expenditure to date which is to be offset against the proceeds of the sale from the site.
- 589 **DAY PROGRAMS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the 685 people in the urgent category of the day program component of the Disability Services Needs Register as at 30 December 2003 — why has the number of clients with day activities decreased by 120 in the 12 months from 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2004.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 80

Tuesday 16 November 2004

590 **CONNEX** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) When will data loggers (black boxes) be installed in Connex's 90 Comeng suburban trains.
- (2) Why are data loggers not being installed in Connex's 15 Hitachi suburban trains.
- (3) When will the last Hitachi suburban train be withdrawn from service.

591 **DISABILITY SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) How many people in total were assessed as eligible to receive services under the *Intellectually Disabled Persons' Services Act 1986* as at 30 June 2004.
- (2) How many of these were aged —
 - (a) under 18 years;
 - (b) 18 or more years.
- (3) How many people in total were assessed as eligible to receive services under the *Disability Services Act 1981*.
- (4) How many of these were aged —
 - (a) under 18 years;
 - (b) 18 or more years.

592 **DISABILITY SERVICES NEEDS REGISTER** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the Disability Service Needs Register as at 30 June 2004 —

- (1) How many of the carers of people registered for shared supported accommodation were aged —
 - (a) under 55;
 - (b) 55–64;

- (c) 65–69;
 - (d) over 70.
- (2) How many of the carers of people registered for in home support were aged —
- (a) under 55;
 - (b) 55–64;
 - (c) 65–69;
 - (d) over 70.
- (3) How many of the carers of people registered for day programs were aged —
- (a) under 55;
 - (b) 55–64;
 - (c) 65–69;
 - (d) over 70.

593 **RESPIRE BEDS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) How many government and non-government respite beds were available for people with disabilities in each region —
- (a) as at 30 June 2004;
 - (b) seven days a week, 52 weeks a year.
- (2) How many episodes of respite were provided in each region through bed-based facilities for the 12 months ending 30 June 2004.
- (3) How many households were provided with respite in each region through bed-based facilities for the 12 months ending 30 June 2004.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 81

Thursday 18 November 2004

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16	Thursday 8 May 2003	No 183.
17	Tuesday 20 May 2003	No 186b.
21	Wednesday 4 June 2003	No 209.
23	Tuesday 26 August 2003	Nos 230, 240, 241, 243, 244, 245 and 246.
24	Wednesday 27 August 2003	Nos 238aj, 239aj and 247.
26	Tuesday 16 September 2003	Nos 256, 257, 267, 274, 285, 286, 302, 304, 305, 306, 307 and 315a.
29	Tuesday 7 October 2003	Nos 333 and 334.
32	Tuesday 14 October 2003	No 344.

34	Thursday 16 October 2003	No 354.
35	Tuesday 28 October 2003	Nos 355, 356, 357, 358a, 358c, 359a, 359c, 360ak, 361ak, 368, 369, 370 and 371.
36	Wednesday 29 October 2003	No 372.
40	Tuesday 18 November 2003	Nos 378 and 380.
42	Thursday 20 November 2003	Nos 385 and 386.
43	Tuesday 25 November 2003	Nos 388a, 388b and 390.
45	Tuesday 2 March 2004	Nos 396, 398a, 398b, 399a, 399c, 400b, 401a, 401b, 402a, 402b, 405a, 405b, 410ai, 410aj and 410ao.
46	Wednesday 3 March 2004	Nos 411i, 411aj, 411ao, 413, 414, 416 and 421.
48	Tuesday 30 March 2004	Nos 423, 424, 426, 430 and 431.
49	Wednesday 31 March 2004	Nos 434, 436 and 437.
51	Tuesday 20 April 2004	Nos 438, 439 and 440.
52	Wednesday 21 April 2004	Nos 441, 448 and 449.
54	Tuesday 4 May 2004	Nos 454, 455, 461, 463, 465, 466 and 467.
55	Wednesday 5 May 2004	Nos 472, 473, 474, 477, 478, 482b, 483b and 484b.
57	Tuesday 11 May 2004	Nos 486 and 487c.
59	Thursday 13 May 2004	No 494.
61	Wednesday 26 May 2004	No 498a.
64	Thursday 3 June 2004	No 506.
65	Tuesday 24 August 2004	Nos 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513a, 513b, 514, 516, 518, 519, 521 and 525.
67	Tuesday 14 September 2004	Nos 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551 and 552.
68	Wednesday 15 September 2004	Nos 553, 554 and 555.
70	Tuesday 5 October 2004	Nos 556, 557, 558, 559 and 560.

72	Tuesday 12 October	No 561.
73	Wednesday 14 October	No 562.
75	Thursday 4 November	Nos 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570 and 571.
77	Tuesday 9 November	Nos 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577 and 578.
78	Wednesday 10 November	Nos 579, 580 and 581.
79	Thursday 11 November	Nos 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588 and 589.
80	Tuesday 16 November	Nos 590, 591, 592 and 593.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 82

Tuesday 30 November 2004

594 **STEAM BOILER TENDER** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Health with reference to a tender placed by Bassett Kuttner Collins in May 2004 for one steam boiler for the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and one of the tenderers Hunt Boilers Melbourne —

- (1) Why were the specifications of the tender changed during the tender process.
- (2) Why was Hunt Boilers Melbourne not informed of the change of the tender specifications.
- (3) Why was Hunt Boilers Melbourne not given the opportunity to re-tender.
- (4) Why was the contract awarded to a company importing the required goods from overseas when a local alternative was available.

595 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

- 595a Premier
- 595b Minister for Agriculture
- 595c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
- 595d Minister for the Arts
- 595e Attorney-General
- 595f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
- 595g Minister for Community Services
- 595h Minister for Corrections
- 595i Minister for Education Services
- 595j Minister for Education and Training
- 595k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
- 595l Minister for Environment
- 595m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
- 595n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
- 595o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
- 595p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 595q Minister for Financial Services Industry
- 595r Minister for Gaming
- 595s Minister for Health
- 595t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
- 595u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
- 595v Minister for Industrial Relations
- 595w Minister for Innovation
- 595x Minister for Major Projects

595y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
 595z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
 595aa Minister for Planning
 595ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
 595ac Minister for Racing
 595ad Minister for State and Regional Development
 595ae Minister for Tourism
 595af Minister for Transport
 595ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
 595ah Treasurer
 595ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
 595aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
 595ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
 595al Minister for Victorian Communities
 595am Minister for Water
 595an Minister for Women's Affairs
 595ao Minister for WorkCover
 595ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Haystac Public Affairs Pty Ltd —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's department or private office or any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 26 August 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

596 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

596a Premier
 596b Minister for Agriculture
 596c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
 596d Minister for the Arts
 596e Attorney-General
 596f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
 596g Minister for Community Services
 596h Minister for Corrections
 596i Minister for Education Services
 596j Minister for Education and Training
 596k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
 596l Minister for Environment
 596m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
 596n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
 596o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
 596p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
 596q Minister for Financial Services Industry
 596r Minister for Gaming
 596s Minister for Health
 596t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care

596u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
 596v Minister for Industrial Relations
 596w Minister for Innovation
 596x Minister for Major Projects
 596y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
 596z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
 596aa Minister for Planning
 596ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
 596ac Minister for Racing
 596ad Minister for State and Regional Development
 596ae Minister for Tourism
 596af Minister for Transport
 596ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
 596ah Treasurer
 596ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
 596aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
 596ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
 596al Minister for Victorian Communities
 596am Minister for Water
 596an Minister for Women's Affairs
 596ao Minister for WorkCover
 596ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's department or private office or any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 28 October 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

597 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

597a Premier
 597b Minister for Agriculture
 597c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
 597d Minister for the Arts
 597e Attorney-General
 597f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
 597g Minister for Community Services
 597h Minister for Corrections
 597i Minister for Education Services
 597j Minister for Education and Training
 597k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
 597l Minister for Environment
 597m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
 597n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
 597o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
 597p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation

597q Minister for Financial Services Industry
597r Minister for Gaming
597s Minister for Health
597t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
597u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
597v Minister for Industrial Relations
597w Minister for Innovation
597x Minister for Major Projects
597y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
597z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
597aa Minister for Planning
597ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
597ac Minister for Racing
597ad Minister for State and Regional Development
597ae Minister for Tourism
597af Minister for Transport
597ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
597ah Treasurer
597ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
597aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
597ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
597al Minister for Victorian Communities
597am Minister for Water
597an Minister for Women's Affairs
597ao Minister for WorkCover
597ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Social Shift Pty Ltd —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's department or private office or any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 28 October 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 83

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24	Wednesday 27 August 2003	Nos 238aj, 239aj and 247.
26	Tuesday 16 September 2003	Nos 256, 257, 267, 274, 285, 286, 302, 304, 305, 306, 307 and 315a.
29	Tuesday 7 October 2003	Nos 333 and 334.
32	Tuesday 14 October 2003	No 344.

34	Thursday 16 October 2003	No 354.
35	Tuesday 28 October 2003	Nos 355, 356, 357, 358a, 358c, 359a, 359c, 360ak, 361ak, 368, 369, 370 and 371.
36	Wednesday 29 October 2003	No 372.
40	Tuesday 18 November 2003	Nos 378 and 380.
42	Thursday 20 November 2003	Nos 385 and 386.
43	Tuesday 25 November 2003	Nos 388a, 388b and 390.
45	Tuesday 2 March 2004	Nos 396, 398a, 398b, 399a, 399c, 400b, 401a, 401b, 402a, 402b, 405a, 405b, 410ai, 410aj and 410ao.
46	Wednesday 3 March 2004	Nos 411i, 411aj, 411ao, 414, 416 and 421.
48	Tuesday 30 March 2004	Nos 423, 424, 426, 430 and 431.
49	Wednesday 31 March 2004	No 434.
51	Tuesday 20 April 2004	No 439.
52	Wednesday 21 April 2004	Nos 441, 448 and 449.
54	Tuesday 4 May 2004	Nos 454, 455, 461, 463, 465, 466 and 467.
55	Wednesday 5 May 2004	Nos 472, 473, 474, 477, 478, 482b, 483b and 484b.
57	Tuesday 11 May 2004	Nos 486 and 487c.
59	Thursday 13 May 2004	No 494.
64	Thursday 3 June 2004	No 506.
65	Tuesday 24 August 2004	Nos 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513a, 513b, 514, 516, 518, 519, 521 and 525.
67	Tuesday 14 September 2004	Nos 526, 527, 528, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551 and 552.
68	Wednesday 15 September 2004	Nos 553, 554 and 555.
70	Tuesday 5 October 2004	Nos 556, 557, 558, 559 and 560.
72	Tuesday 12 October 2004	No 561.
73	Wednesday 14 October 2004	No 562.

75	Thursday 4 November 2004	Nos 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570 and 571.
77	Tuesday 9 November 2004	Nos 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577 and 578.
78	Wednesday 10 November 2004	Nos 579, 580 and 581.
79	Thursday 11 November 2004	Nos 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588 and 589.
80	Tuesday 16 November 2004	Nos 590, 591, 592 and 593.
82	Tuesday 30 November 2004	Nos 594, 595a, 595b, 595c, 595d, 595e, 595f, 595g, 595h, 595i, 595j, 595k, 595l, 595m, 595n, 595o, 595p, 595q, 595r, 595s, 595t, 595u, 595v, 595w, 595x, 595y, 595z, 595aa, 595ab, 595ac, 595ad, 595ae, 595af, 595ag, 595ah, 595ai, 595aj, 595ak, 595al, 595am, 595an, 595ao, 595ap, 596a, 596b, 596c, 596d, 596e, 596f, 596g, 596h, 596i, 596j, 596k, 596l, 596m, 596n, 596o, 596p, 596q, 596r, 596s, 596t, 596u, 596v, 596w, 596x, 596y, 596z, 596aa, 596ab, 596ac, 596ad, 596ae, 596af, 596ag, 596ah, 596ai, 596aj, 596ak, 596al, 596am, 596an, 596ao, 596ap, 597a, 597b, 597c, 597d, 597e, 597f, 597g, 597h, 597i, 597j, 597k, 597l, 597m, 597n, 597o, 597p, 597q, 597r, 597s, 597t, 597u, 597v, 597w, 597x, 597y, 597z, 597aa, 597ab, 597ac, 597ad, 597ae, 597af, 597ag, 597ah, 597ai, 597aj, 597ak, 597al, 597am, 597an, 597ao and 597ap.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 84

Tuesday 7 December 2004

*597 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the following Ministers —

- 597a Premier
- 597b Minister for Agriculture
- 597c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
- 597d Minister for the Arts
- 597e Attorney-General
- 597f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
- 597g Minister for Community Services
- 597h Minister for Corrections
- 597i Minister for Education Services
- 597j Minister for Education and Training
- 597k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
- 597l Minister for Environment
- 597m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
- 597n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
- 597o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
- 597p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 597q Minister for Financial Services Industry
- 597r Minister for Gaming
- 597s Minister for Health
- 597t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
- 597u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
- 597v Minister for Industrial Relations
- 597w Minister for Innovation
- 597x Minister for Major Projects
- 597y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
- 597z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
- 597aa Minister for Planning
- 597ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 597ac Minister for Racing
- 597ad Minister for State and Regional Development
- 597ae Minister for Tourism
- 597af Minister for Transport
- 597ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
- 597ah Treasurer
- 597ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
- 597aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
- 597ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
- 597al Minister for Victorian Communities

* Question published in substitution of No 597 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 30 November 2004.

597am Minister for Water

597an Minister for Women's Affairs

597ao Minister for WorkCover

597ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Social Shift Pty Ltd —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's department or private office or any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 26 August 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

598 **WEST GATE BRIDGE MEMORIAL PARK** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what was the total of the final amount allocated to the West Gate Bridge Memorial Park from —

- (1) WorkCover.
- (2) Parks Victoria.
- (3) VicRoads.
- (4) The Community Support Fund.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE — No 85

Thursday 9 December 2004

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 FEBRUARY 2003

- 4 **ENTERPRISE BARGAINING AGREEMENT — UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the agreement signed with the Country Fire Authority (CFA) and the Metropolitan Fire Emergency Services Board (MFESB) —
- (1) What is the total additional financial impact of the agreement on the budget of each of the CFA and the MFESB, in dollar and percentage terms, for the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
 - (2) What is the direct additional budgetary contribution of the State Government, in dollar and percentage terms, towards such increased expenditures in each of the financial years 2002–2003 to 2005–2006 inclusive.
- 5 **VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002.
- 8 **COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY VEHICLE FLEET** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002 —
- (1) How many operational vehicles were deployed across Victoria.
 - (2) How many tankers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (3) What was the average age (years of service) of the tankers deployed.
 - (4) How many pumpers were deployed across Victoria.
 - (5) What was the average age (years of service) of pumpers deployed.
- 9 **ACTIVE COUNTRY FIRE AUTHORITY PERSONNEL** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002, what was the number of active Country Fire Authority —

- (1) Volunteers.
 - (2) Career firefighters.
- 10 **ACTIVE VICTORIA STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE VOLUNTEERS** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services — how many active volunteers were there as at 31 December 2000, 31 December 2001 and 31 December 2002.
- 11 **EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC CORRECTIONAL ENTERPRISE (CORE)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Corrections, as at 31 December 1999, 30 June 2000, 31 December 2000, 30 June 2001, 31 December 2001, 30 June 2002 and 31 December 2002, what was —
- (1) The total number of effective full-time employees.
 - (2) The actual cost of employee remuneration and entitlements.

QUESTION ASKED ON 27 FEBRUARY 2003

- 36 **GOVERNMENT'S DIGITAL MEDIA FUND** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —
- (1) What amount has MediaNet received from the fund.
 - (2) On what date did MediaNet receive this amount.

QUESTION ASKED ON 25 MARCH 2003

- 77 **MITCHAM/FRANKSTON FREEWAY** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How much has already been expended on land acquisition for the Freeway.
 - (2) How much of this funding came from —
 - (a) VicRoads;
 - (b) the Department of Infrastructure;
 - (c) the Commonwealth Government; and
 - (d) other sources.
 - (3) With reference to the acquisition of parcels of land over 100 square metres —
 - (a) how many remain to be acquired for the Freeway;

- (b) which suburb is each parcel of land located in;
- (c) what is the size of each parcel;
- (d) what are the nearest cross streets or other identifiers;
- (e) what is the total estimated cost of the remaining land acquisitions; and
- (f) what is the proposed timetable for each of the land acquisitions yet to be completed.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 29 APRIL 2003

147 **BUSINESS INNOVATION WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Business Innovation Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$240,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

148 **EXPORT VALUE CHAIN NETWORKS AND CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Value Chain Networks and Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 149 **FINANCE FOR GROWTH** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Finance for Growth funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$60,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 150 **FIRST STEP EXPORT PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the First Step Export Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 151 **GLOBAL PURCHASING STRATEGY** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Global Purchasing Strategy funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 152 **GOING GLOBAL** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Going Global funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 153 **HIGH PERFORMANCE MANUFACTURING CONSORTIA** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the High Performance Manufacturing Consortia funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$190,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 154 **INDUSTRY CAPABILITY MISSIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Industry Capability Missions funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$930,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 155 **INNOVATION INSIGHTS VISITS PROGRAM** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Innovation Insights Visits Program funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$320,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 156 **KEYNOTE CONFERENCE AND SEMINARS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to keynote conference and seminars funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 157 **NEW TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATIONS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to new technology demonstrations funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$310,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

- 158 **PARTNERS AT WORK (HIGH PERFORMANCE WORKPLACES)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Partners at Work (High Performance Workplaces) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$900,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 159 **PROMOTING THE IMAGE OF MANUFACTURING AND MANUFACTURING HALL OF FAME** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to promoting the Image of Manufacturing and Manufacturing Hall of Fame funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$500,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.
- 160 **STRATEGIC AUDIT OF VICTORIAN INDUSTRY PLANS IMPLEMENTATION (PARTNERS AT WORK)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Strategic Audit of Victorian Industry Plans implementation (Partners at Work) funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —
- (1) How much of the allocated \$1,600,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
 - (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and

- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

161 **SCHOLARSHIPS IN AREAS OF FUTURE SKILLS NEEDS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Scholarships in Areas of Future Skills Needs funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$200,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

162 **TECHNOLOGY EVALUATION PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Evaluation Projects funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$480,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

163 **TECHNOLOGY ROADMAP AND SKILLS STUDIES** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to Technology Roadmap and Skills Studies funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$110,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;

- (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
- (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

164 **VALUE CHAIN WORKSHOPS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Value Chain Workshops funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$160,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

165 **EXPORT COMMUNICATION NETWORK** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Manufacturing and Export with reference to the Export Communication Network funded under the Agenda for New Manufacturing —

- (1) How much of the allocated \$410,000 has been distributed in 2002–03.
- (2) Of the funds distributed, what —
 - (a) is the name of each business/organisation that received assistance;
 - (b) is the value of assistance granted to each named business/organisation;
 - (c) is the purpose for which the funds were granted; and
 - (d) are the conditions, if any, the business/organisation had to satisfy to receive assistance.

QUESTION ASKED ON 8 MAY 2003

183 **INQUIRY INTO PAST ADOPTION PRACTICES** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Community Services — when does the Government propose to honour its 1999 election commitment to hold a Parliamentary inquiry into past adoption practices, particularly in the period after the second world war until the proclamation of the *Adoption Act 1984*.

QUESTION ASKED ON 20 MAY 2003

186 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) CABINET SUBCOMMITTEE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

186b Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

With reference to the Minister for Information and Communication Technology's announcement of 6 May 2003 of a new Government ICT strategy subcommittee of Cabinet to be chaired by the Premier, in recognition of the strategic importance of ICT —

- (1) Who is on the subcommittee.
- (2) Who will service and/or advise the subcommittee.
- (3) What are the duties of the subcommittee.

QUESTION ASKED ON 4 JUNE 2003

209 **INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the breakdown of the \$660 million that the Government has committed to ICT, as stated in the media release of 17 October 2002 entitled *Victoria's Information Technology Report*, including details of each component of the \$660 million and individual expenditure items within each component.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 26 AUGUST 2003

230 **MAINTENANCE FOR POINT NEPEAN DEFENCE LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for the Environment — from where will the promised \$10–\$15 million maintenance funding for the land be sourced.

240 **CeBIT AMERICA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — how much funding was provided to each of the five Victorian companies that attended CeBIT America, an information technology trade fair, in New York this year.

241 **E-COMMERCE ROADSHOWS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to e-commerce roadshows —

- (1) How many have taken place between 1 June 2002 and 26 August 2003.
- (2) What was the location and date of each.

- (3) What was the cost of each.

243 **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR SYNCHROTRON** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Innovation — has the Government sought financial assistance or support from the Commonwealth Government in relation to the construction of the Synchrotron or for beamline funding; if so, when was this request made.

244 **GROWING TOMORROW'S INDUSTRIES TODAY STATEMENT** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology with reference to the statement and the targets for information and communication technologies — which companies contributed to the 800 new jobs created in Victoria last year and what was the number each contributed.

245 **MULTIMEDIA VICTORIA** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology —

- (1) What is the total number of full-time equivalent staff within Multimedia Victoria as at 26 August 2003.
- (2) How will Multimedia Victoria —
 - (a) improve the operation of business and government;
 - (b) increase the use of information and communication technologies by Victorians;
 - (c) reduce the inequity in the use of information and communication technologies across Victoria; and
 - (d) grow the information industries sector.

246 **TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM FUNDING** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology — what is the total amount of funding provided by the Government since 2000, the name of each recipient and the amount received by each recipient under the —

- (1) Customer Access Network Demonstration Program.
- (2) E-Commerce Exhibition Projects Program.
- (3) E-gaps funding.
- (4) Skills.net funding.
- (5) Next Wave Program.
- (6) My Connected Community program.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 27 AUGUST 2003

¹238 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

238aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

²239 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

239aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 July 2001.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

247 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for WorkCover —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department, office or any agency or statutory authority, or any predecessor Department, office, agency or statutory authority, under the Minister's administration since 1 February 2001, with the exception of the Transport Accident Commission and the Victorian WorkCover Authority where the commencement date should be from 1 July 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

¹ Question published in substitution of No 238 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

² Question published in substitution of No 239 appearing in Questions on Notice dated 26 August 2003.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2003

- 256 **VICTORIAN SCHOOLS OF LANGUAGES** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the establishment of an additional five Victorian schools of languages —
- (1) What new programs or resources will these schools provide compared with the existing School of Languages.
 - (2) How much of the \$6 million allocated to language education will be allocated to the development of these programs.
- 274 **CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 135b received on 26 August 2003 — what are the names of the regular schools which have more than 30 students who receive additional funding through the Program for Students with Disabilities.
- 286 **FRAMEWORK FOR STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the response to question 185b received on 26 August 2003 — has there been any audit or review of the student welfare and curriculum teams; if yes, what are the results.
- 302 **COMPLETION OF TRUGANINA SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located north of Werribee —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 304 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 305 **COMPLETION OF MILL PARK LAKES SECONDARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.

- 306 **COMPLETION OF LAURIMAR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school located near Yan Yean —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 307 **COMPLETION OF EPPING NORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services with reference to the current plans for the school —
- (1) On what date is the school proposed to be completed.
 - (2) What works have been undertaken; if no works have been undertaken, when will works commence.
- 315 **MINISTERIAL TRIPS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Minister —
- 315a Minister for Education and Training
- (1) What overseas and interstate trips on ministerial business has the Minister undertaken since the 2002 election.
 - (2) What were the purposes of each such trip.

QUESTION ASKED ON 7 OCTOBER 2003

- 334 **CONDUCT AND ETHICS BRANCH OF THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the article in the *Herald Sun* of 25 September 2003 entitled 'Job cuts may help teacher pedophiles' which said, in part, 'The State Government's plan to weed out pedophiles from schools could be hindered by their own job cuts. The Education Department's conduct and ethics branch employs 10 staff whose roles include checking some teachers' police records and doing background checks on non-teaching staff. The conduct and ethics branch, as part of the department's central office, is in the firing line of a restructure announced by Education Minister Lynne Kosky last month, which will slash about 330 Education Department jobs' — is any change to the branch planned; if so, what is it and why is it being done.

QUESTION ASKED ON 16 OCTOBER 2003

- 354 **TRUANCY DATA** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the Minister's comments quoted in *The Age* on 9 May 2003 which said in part: 'The Education Department will also keep more detailed data on truancy. Previously, truancy and absences approved by parents were listed in the one figure. From this year, the department will collect separate data. You do need to get a sense of why the non-attendance has happened and whether it's sporadic days or whether it's groups of days'— what detailed data has been collected and what does the data show.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 28 OCTOBER 2003

- 355 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum — what is the rationale for the proposal and what progress has been made in implementing it.
- 356 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the growing interest in VCE psychology among young people and the high rates of mental illness and suicide — how is a proposal to remove mental health issues from the curriculum justified.
- 357 **VCE PSYCHOLOGY CURRICULUM** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the suggestion that one of the main reasons for the proposal to remove mental health issues from the current curriculum is the lack of sufficiently well trained teachers in this subject — what resources has the Department put into recruiting and training the teachers needed for this subject.
- 358 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 358a Minister for Community Services
358c Minister for Education Services
- (1) Have some families been on the early intervention waiting list for the Service for over two years.
 - (2) What is the Government doing to eliminate waiting lists for these families in such a crucial time for their children.
- 359 **MANSFIELD AUTISTIC CENTRE TRAVELLING TEACHER SERVICE** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —
- 359a Minister for Community Services

359c Minister for Education Services

Are there any plans for additional government support to employ more travelling teachers for the Service to eliminate waiting lists, so families can expect the service they deserve and need for immediate early intervention.

360 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

360ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's Department or private office since 27 March 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

361 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

361ak Treasurer for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 5 December 2002.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

368 **REDEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the itemised list of estates earmarked for redevelopment or neighbourhood renewal programs, including a progress report on each public housing site.
- (2) Whether the redevelopment of these estates involves contributions in kind from the not-for-profit sector or private developers, including details of the type of contribution made towards each such redevelopment.
- (3) What are the details of public estates where the Government has already undertaken or proposes to undertake the subdivision and sell the land for private sector development.
- (4) What are the details of the type of contractual arrangement the Government proposes to negotiate with 'private developers' to encourage a mix of private and public housing developments on Government-owned sites.
- (5) What are the details of private investors who have submitted a joint venture proposal for the redevelopment of public housing estates.

- 369 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE AT RALEIGH STREET, WINDSOR** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of the estate —
- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
 - (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
 - (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
 - (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the Council; if so, when.
 - (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
 - (6) What is the 2002–2003 budget for the redevelopment.
 - (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.
- 370 **PUBLIC HOUSING ESTATE REDEVELOPMENT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to the redevelopment of each of Victory Boulevard in Ashburton, Thomson Estate in Geelong East, Rathdowne Street in Carlton, Raglan Ingles Estate in Port Melbourne, Elizabeth Street in Richmond, Kensington Estate in Kensington, Long Gully in Bendigo, Maidstone/Braybrook Estate, Mark/Rundle Estate in Wodonga, Parkside Estate in Shepparton and Peace Court in Doveton —
- (1) What is the time line for the redevelopment.
 - (2) Has a developer been selected for this project; if so, who.
 - (3) Has the Government received a planning permit for the redevelopment; if so, when.
 - (4) If a planning permit has not been received for the redevelopment, has an application been lodged with the relevant Council; if so, when.
 - (5) What is the budget for the redevelopment over the life of the project.
 - (6) How much has been budgeted for this development in 2003–2004.
 - (7) What is the expected completion date of the project.
 - (8) Broken down by the number of bedrooms, how many units will be available as a result of this redevelopment for —
 - (a) public housing; and
 - (b) private housing.

371 **WENDOUREE WEST NEIGHBOURHOOD RENEWAL PROJECT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —

- (1) What is the total expected cost of the project.
- (2) What is the amount in the 2003–2004 State budget for the project.
- (3) When is work scheduled to commence on the 11 properties whose tenants have decided on design options for their properties.
- (4) What is the budget for 2003–2004 for —
 - (a) physical improvements and redevelopment of properties; and
 - (b) all other elements of the project.
- (5) How many public properties will be redeveloped as part of this project.
- (6) What is the total cost of the redevelopment of these properties.
- (7) Has a developer been selected for the redevelopment; if so, who.
- (8) What is the commencement date of the works.
- (9) What is the anticipated completion date of the works.

QUESTION ASKED ON 29 OCTOBER 2003

372 **ASBESTOS IN MELBOURNE YARD STABLING SIDINGS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many M>Train services were cancelled on each of the Broadmeadows, Cranbourne, Frankston, Pakenham, Sandringham, Watergardens, Werribee, Williamstown and Upfield lines between 15 and 24 October 2003 inclusive as a result of asbestos being found in the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.
- (2) What was the scheduled time of departure from its terminus of all trains cancelled on each line, and on what dates was each cancelled.
- (3) What steps are being taken to ensure that any further asbestos residues are immediately discovered and then removed from inner city stabling sidings such as in the North Melbourne area, closer to North Melbourne station than the Melbourne Yard stabling sidings.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 18 NOVEMBER 2003

378 **HAZARDOUS WASTE SITES** — Mr Ryan to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) Why is the Hazardous Waste Siting Advisory Committee not mentioned in any of the material released by the Government and did it play any role in the site selection.
- (2) Where were the other 100, 14 and six sites that were originally identified before the Government came up with the final three at Violet Town, Pittong and Tiega.
- (3) Why is it that the soil recycling facility at Dutson Downs will not be subject to an environmental effects statement when these three sites will be.
- (4) What were the '30 stringent criteria' used by the Government to identify the three sites.
- (5) On what criteria were two thirds of the State ruled out through computer mapping alone.
- (6) How can it be possible that no suitable Crown land could be found.
- (7) Why is it that, given the Government expects the facility to be highly secure, no sites were short-listed in the metropolitan area where the bulk of the waste will come from.
- (8) How long has this process been underway and were any tests taken on private land without the consent of landholders.

380 **BASSLINK PTY LTD** — Mr Ingram to ask the Minister for Agriculture with reference to the construction of the Basslink Pty Ltd marine cable and its impact on commercial and recreational fisheries —

- (1) In relation to the code of conduct for commercial fishers as required by the Minister for Planning —
 - (a) has Basslink Pty Ltd prepared a code of conduct for commercial fishers as required;
 - (b) has the Government approved the code and when will it be publicly available;
 - (c) will the code be agreed to before the Basslink project commences;
 - (d) if a code of conduct cannot be agreed to, will the Minister ensure that issues of concern are addressed;
 - (e) with which fishing groups and individuals did the proponents consult in developing the code; and
 - (f) did the proponents consult with Gippsland fishers such as those from Yarram, Port Albert, Mcloughlin's Beach, Lakes Entrance, Port Welshpool and Port Franklin, if not, why not; if so, with whom.

- (2) In the consultation process, what changes were made from the draft code of conduct to reflect the concerns raised by the commercial fishers.
- (3) Did the proponents consult with the recreational fishers of Gippsland who will actually be fishing and anchoring in the Victorian waters where the sub-sea cables are proposed to be laid.
- (4) As the planned use of the metallic return cable results in a magnetic field which will cause deviation of magnetic boat compasses, how is this safety information being provided to all Gippsland fishers.
- (5) As the commercial fishers at Port Albert have not accepted the use of the Bruce anchor, why is it still being endorsed by Basslink.
- (6) As the movement of the strong Bass Strait currents through the magnetic field of the bundled sub-sea cables creates an induced electric field which will be detected by sharks and rays, what studies have been conducted by Basslink to confirm the changes in shark and ray behaviour which may occur when the cables are in use.
- (7) Will the operating cables cause more sharks to swim inshore close to the public swimming beaches along the tourist attraction of the Ninety Mile Beach.
- (8) What studies have been undertaken to assess the impact on tourism in the area.
- (9) If, in the event that Basslink is constructed with metallic return marine cables bundled together instead of the more benign coaxial cable, and sharks and rays follow the cable as scientific research suggests, will the Government have the power to force the operators to turn off the cable.
- (10) Will the Government have the power to force the owner of the cable to remove the metallic return configuration and have it replaced with coaxial cable.
- (11) If the cable needs to be modified after construction, who will be required to bear the cost of modification.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 20 NOVEMBER 2003

- 385 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BEACH ROAD, BEAUMARIS** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,657 fines being issued following 195.77 hours of operation and raising \$403,864 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.

- 386 **SPEED CAMERA FINES IN BLUFF ROAD, HAMPTON** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to speed cameras operational in 2002–2003 which resulted in 2,522 fines being issued following 134.94 hours of operation and raising \$383,344 — what were the comparable number of fines, hours of speed camera operation and dollars raised in the same location for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001 and 2001–2002.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 25 NOVEMBER 2003

- 388 **ERRATIC OR DANGEROUS DRIVING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

388a Minister for Police and Emergency Services

388b Minister for Transport

- (1) How many reports of persons aged 65 or over claimed to be driving erratically or dangerously have Victoria Police submitted to VicRoads since 1 January 2003.
- (2) How many of these reports emanated from driving instructors.
- (3) How many driving licences held by persons aged 65 years or over have been suspended or had conditions placed on them for alleged erratic or dangerous driving since 1 January 2003.

- 390 **LIBRA CONSULTING** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to services provided to Victoria Police by Libra Consulting — how many hours of service were invoiced, and what were the total amounts paid to Libra Consulting in each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002 and 2002–2003.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 2 MARCH 2004

- 396 **BUSH NURSING CENTRES IN VICTORIA** — Mr Maughan to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care —

- (1) To provide a list of the Centres which have been funded by the Department of Human Services.
- (2) To provide details of the value of administration grants paid to each Centre.

- 398 **OFFICE EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

398a Minister for Innovation

398b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

Since 1 January 2003, what are the details of expenses of the office of the Minister, including—

- (1) Number of ministerial staff allocated to the Minister.
- (2) Staff salaries and on-costs.
- (3) Other recurrent ministerial office operating expenses.
- (4) Minister's and/or office international flights and destination of international flights.
- (5) Minister's and/or office domestic flights.
- (6) Travel-related expenses.
- (7) Alcohol costs.

399 DEPARTMENTAL ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

399a Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs

399c Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all advertising campaigns relating to the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration, indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 January 2003.

400 CHARTER FLIGHT COSTS — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

400b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology
Since 1 January 2003 to date, what are the details for all charter flights, including helicopters and light planes, used by the Minister and/or the Minister's office indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Carrier.
- (3) Destination.
- (4) Cost.
- (5) Purpose.

401 CONSULTANCIES — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

401a Minister for Innovation

401b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of each consultancy commissioned by the Minister's department and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration since 1 January 2003, indicating for each —

- (1) Date.
- (2) Cost.
- (3) Purpose.
- (4) Name and address of consultant.
- (5) Recommendations made.
- (6) Action taken in response to any recommendations.
- (7) Whether tenders were called.

402 **DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers—

402a Minister for Innovation

402b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

What are the details of all publications produced by the Minister's department, indicating in each case —

- (1) Title.
- (2) Date of issue and distribution.
- (3) Cost of production.
- (4) Number printed.
- (5) Printer's name.
- (6) Details of distribution, including numbers and cost.
- (7) The purpose of the production.

405 **ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

405a Minister for Innovation

405b Minister for Innovation for the Minister for Information and Communication Technology

With reference to the Minister's office and/or departmental resources used by the Minister, what are the details of all entertainment expenses incurred, indicating —

- (1) The total costs.

- (2) Itemised details of all expenditure over \$500 including —
 - (a) date incurred;
 - (b) number of guests;
 - (c) cost;
 - (d) purpose; and
 - (e) name of the service provider.

410 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

410ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance

410aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology

410ao Minister for WorkCover

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) Since 20 October 1999, how many jobs awarded to the company were exempted from the Victorian Government Purchasing Board.
- (2) On what grounds were exemptions given.
- (3) Was a certificate of exemption issued.
- (4) Who signed the documents granting exemption.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 3 MARCH 2004

411 **WORKPLACE BULLYING** — Mr Mulder to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

411i Minister for Education Services

411aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology

411ao Minister for WorkCover

- (1) How many cases of bullying in the workplace have been reported to each department or agency under the aegis of the Minister between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2003.
- (2) How many of these claims resulted in WorkCover cases being established.
- (3) What was the total cost of these claims.
- (4) What has been the dollar increase in premiums for each individual department or agency due to claims for bullying in the workplace.

- 416 **CHAIRPERSON OF THE CENTRAL HEALTH INTERPRETER SERVICE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Health with reference to the appointment of Mr Stan Naylor as Chairperson of the Central Health Interpreter Service —
- (1) What were the terms of reference for his appointment.
 - (2) What were the reasons all former Board members declined to be reappointed.
 - (3) What was the name of the report prepared by Mr Naylor which reviewed the Service.
 - (4) What were the recommendations in the report.
- 421 **BOYD HOUSE** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning — what has been the total cost of consultancies, including legal fees, engaged by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, and Heritage Victoria and/or their representatives and agents, concerning action taken in relation to 666 Riversdale Road, Camberwell, otherwise known as the 'Boyd House', and its owner Maria Rajendrau, for each year since 30 June 1999.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 30 MARCH 2004

- 423 **BUREAU OF EMERGENCY SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS (BEST)** — Mr Wells to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services —
- (1) Is there a register maintained of declared gifts, gratuities or other benefits, as received by BEST management, employees and contractors, from external companies, organisations or individuals.
 - (2) If there is no register, what probity measures are in place to ensure that BEST management, employees and contractors are not subjected to offers of, or accept, monetary or non-monetary inducements/benefits from potential bidders, actual bidders or other stakeholders, on projects managed or overseen by BEST.
 - (3) Have any gifts, gratuities or other benefits been declared by BEST management, employees and contractors in relation to three current projects under management of BEST — the Mobile Data Terminal Network (MDT), the Melbourne Metropolitan Radio Network (MMR) and the Emergency Altering System (EAS).
- 424 **DEAKIN UNIVERSITY BURWOOD CAMPUS NORTHERN OVAL** — Mr Baillieu to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the discussions with the Burwood campus of Deakin University regarding the ownership and use of the site known as the Northern Oval —
- (1) When did the discussions start.
 - (2) How many discussions or meetings have taken place.
 - (3) What specifically has been discussed so far.

- (4) What is still to be discussed.
- (5) What agreements have been reached.
- (6) Is one of the points of discussion about a long term recreation space agreement and, if so, how long would that agreement last.
- (7) Has the Government offered Deakin University a price for the land and, if so, how much.
- (8) When will the Deakin-owned portion of the Northern Oval be transferred to public ownership as stated in an e-mail from the Minister's office dated 22 November 2002 and has it been determined what it will take to make this now 15-month old promise happen.

430 **DIRECTOR OF VICTORIAN OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Multicultural Affairs — whether the position of Director or Acting Director of the Victorian Office of Multicultural Affairs has been filled and, if so, what process was followed to select the successful candidate.

431 **TRAM NETWORK RESTRICTIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) On what, if any, sections or full routes of Melbourne's tram network are the following types of trams unable to operate —
 - (a) 'D1' class three-section Combinos;
 - (b) 'D2' class five-section Combinos;
 - (c) Citadis trams.
- (2) What action, if any, does Yarra Trams or the Department of Infrastructure intend to take to rectify any such deficiencies in the network and by what date will each specific restriction be lifted.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 31 MARCH 2004

434 **DRAG RACING IN ELWOOD** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to drag racing on Ormond Esplanade, Elwood —

- (1) What measures have police taken to reduce this activity.
- (2) How many people have been fined for such activity in 2002, 2003 and 2004.

QUESTION ASKED ON 20 APRIL 2004

439 **DOCKLANDS FILM AND TELEVISION STUDIO COMPLEX PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —

- (1) Did the Minister meet with Central City Studios (CCS) or any person/s purporting to represent CCS; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.
- (2) Did the Minister meet with Mr Peter Bartels; if so, on what date and who was present at this meeting.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 21 APRIL 2004

441 **UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ON NOTICE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — when will questions 77, 225, 253, 254, 343, 350, 352, 372, 373, 375, 381, 382, 388b and 389 asked between 25 March 2003 and 25 November 2003 be answered.

448 **BIG HILL TUNNEL** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What speed is presently allowed through the tunnel on the existing double track between Kyneton and Bendigo.
- (2) What would be the fastest safe speed for a 'V'LOCITY' train through the tunnel if double track was retained in the exact position it is now and the track upgraded with concrete sleepers and 60 kg/m rail.
- (3) What is the predicted actual speed of trains through the tunnel once the upgrade is complete travelling —
 - (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.
- (4) If double track was retained through the tunnel and 'V'LOCITY' trains slowed (if necessary) to the maximum safe speed through the tunnel, what would be the delay in seconds solely due to the tunnel speed restriction for trains travelling —
 - (a) northbound;
 - (b) southbound.

449 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What is the maximum speed a 'V'LOCITY' train running on the high standard track specified for the Bendigo upgrade can reach without its predicted kinematic envelope

exceeding the actual kinematic envelope of a Sprinter running at 130 km/h on the existing track.

- (2) If double track was retained and upgraded to class 'HP' (high performance) track under Conlans Road Bridge at Taradale, what would be the maximum speed under the bridge of a 'V'locity' train that would be 'not less safe' than existing Sprinter trains passing under Conlans Road Bridge on the existing track at 130 km/h.
- (3) Between Elphinstone and Bendigo, what are the locations of the present 'up' track that will require removal in order to realign the existing 'down' track for higher speeds and, at each location, what speed will apply after the realignment, and what would be the maximum possible safe speed if double track was retained.
- (4) What time saving is achieved solely due to each section of realigned track between Elphinstone and Bendigo, and what is the total time saving between these locations due to realigned track.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 4 MAY 2004

- 454 **ADVERTISING EXPENDITURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development — what was the total amount of expenditure across the whole of the Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development for advertising promotions in 2002–2003.
- 455 **VICURBAN HOUSING ACCESS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what measures have been or will be put into place to ensure future housing developments by VicUrban are more accessible, for both entry and inside the dwelling, for people with a disability.
- 461 **TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND RAILWAY BOOM GATES** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many malfunctions of traffic lights installed in conjunction with railway boom barriers/flashing lights occurred between 1 March and 4 May 2004.
 - (2) What was the longest delay applying between reporting to the VicRoads call centre, VicTrack switchboard, M>Train or Connex, and the traffic lights and boom barriers returning to normal operation.
 - (3) At how many locations are combined traffic light and railway boom barriers or flashing lights installed —
 - (a) in metropolitan Melbourne;
 - (b) more than 60 kilometres from the GPO.

- 463 **SOUTHERN AND EASTERN INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AUTHORITY STAFF** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many staff employed at the Authority were employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.
 - (2) What is the expected total for remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority in —
 - (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2004–2005.
 - (3) How much has been expended in remuneration expenses of staff at the Authority to 4 May 2004.
 - (4) During 2004–2005 what number of staff will be employed on a —
 - (a) part-time basis;
 - (b) full-time basis;
 - (c) casual basis.
- 465 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 466 **CASES INCIDENT NOTIFICATION FORMS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many Computerised Administrative Software Environment (CASES) incident notification forms were lodged by schools where the incident detailed involved ‘fighting/assault’ and the injured person was a member of staff in each of 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004.
- 467 **EMERGENCY NOTIFICATIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education Services — how many emergency notifications were sent by Emergency and Security Management where the type of incident included the word ‘assault’ in 2001, 2002, 2003 and 2004 to each of —
- (1) Barwon South Western Region.
 - (2) Central Highlands Wimmera Region.
 - (3) Gippsland Region.

- (4) Goulburn North Eastern Region.
- (5) Loddon Campaspe Mallee Region.
- (6) Eastern Metropolitan Region.
- (7) Northern Metropolitan Region.
- (8) Southern Metropolitan Region.
- (9) Western Metropolitan Region.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 MAY 2004

472 **SPEED OF TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) When are speed restrictions, slowing passenger trains between Sale and Bairnsdale, expected to be lifted.
- (2) What is the current line speed for passenger trains between Traralgon and Sale.
- (3) Do any railway bridges between Traralgon and Sale require replacement or urgent remedial work; if so —
 - (a) what is the likely cost for each location;
 - (b) when will the works be undertaken;
 - (c) what speed limits currently apply for passenger or freight trains at each location.

473 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Apart from the bridge works previously publicised in the Leongatha area, have any contracts been entered into for works to reinstate regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains between —
 - (a) Ballarat, Maryborough and Mildura;
 - (b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) what was each contact for;
 - (b) with whom was it entered into;
 - (c) what amount was it for;

(d) when does each contract conclude.

(3) When will regularly scheduled non-heritage passenger trains again run between —

(a) Ballarat and Mildura;

(b) Cranbourne, Lang Lang and Leongatha.

474 **GAUGE STANDARDISATION PROJECT** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport — how much would the project announced in 2001 at a cost of \$96 million, and subsequently deferred, cost in May 2004.

477 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 55 — what are the names of each of the primary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.

478 **TRIENNIAL REVIEW PROCESS — SECONDARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 57 — what are the names of each of the secondary schools not identified as performing at or above expected levels as identified in the triennial review process.

482 **ESL IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the measure 'eligible students in regular schools receiving English as a Second Language (ESL) support in primary schools' —

482b Minister for Education and Training

What is the reason almost nine per cent of eligible students miss out on ESL support.

483 **KOORI EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the 15 Koori educators employed —

483b Minister for Education and Training

(1) Where are they employed.

(2) What are their duties.

484 **HOME LIAISON EDUCATORS** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers with reference to *Budget Paper No 3, 2004/05*, page 54 and the six home liaison officers employed —

484b Minister for Education and Training

(1) Where are they employed.

- (2) What are their duties.

QUESTION ASKED ON 11 MAY 2004

487 **SOMERVILLE SECONDARY COLLEGE COMPENSATION** — Mr Perton to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

487c Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs

- (1) Has the Government agreed to compensate the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people for allowing the Somerville Secondary College Campus to be built; if so, what form will this compensation take.
- (2) What agreement exists between any, and which, representatives of the Boonerwung and/or Bunrong people.
- (3) What payments have been made to any, and which, of these representatives.
- (4) What changes to the school design will be made as a result of any such compensation agreements.

QUESTION ASKED ON 3 JUNE 2004

506 **ELETRONIC ELECTIONS** — Mr Perton to ask the Premier — has the Premier considered the email dated 27 May 2004 of Anthony van der Craats asking that there be a review into ‘the conduct and scrutiny of electronic elections and the role of Victorian Electoral Commission amidst concerns that its software technology fails to meet basic industry standard’; if so, what is the Premier’s response.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 24 AUGUST 2004

507 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN STATE FORESTS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by the Department of Sustainability and Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Buckwong Hut No 1, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built for Gibsons.
- (2) Buckwong Hut No 2, Beloka, into the Buckwong Flats — built by Rusty Connley.
- (3) Carmody’s Hut, Wild Boar Range.
- (4) Centenary Mine Hut (Centennial), Guns Creek, West branch of Ovens River above Harrierville.

- (5) Dunstan Logging Huts, Dunstans Logging Road, 0.5 kilometres east of Upper Papes Track —
 - (a) No 1;
 - (b) No 2;
 - (c) No 3;
 - (d) No 4;
 - (e) No 5.
- (6) Gibson's (Old) Hut, Walkers Logging Track, Elliots, Damm Track.
- (7) Mt Selwyn Hut, Mt Selwyn.
- (8) Mulhauser Mine Hut, Bogong Saddle.
- (9) Shower Block Hut, Tec Tree Range Road, Humffray River State Forest.

508 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN ALPINE NATIONAL PARK** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts in Alpine National Park managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Bogong Creek No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (2) Bogong Creek No 2, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (3) Batty's Hut, New Country Spur north of Mt Nelse, Batty Spur.
- (4) Bogong Aqueduct No 1, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (5) Bogong Aqueduct No 5, Upper Kiewa Valley.
- (6) Burnside Hut, Burnside Creek, Knocker Track.
- (7) Charlie Creek Hut, Davies Plain Track, Charlie Creek.
- (8) Dr Searles Hut, Gibbo River Junction.
- (9) Federation Hut, Bungalow Spur west of Mt Feathertop.
- (10) Huggins (Honeymoon) Hut, Buckety Plain area.
- (11) MacFarlanes Flat Hut, MacFarlanes Flat — built by Buff.
- (12) McNamara's Hut, Buckety Plain.
- (13) Michell Hut, Eskdale Spur.

- (14) Mt Benambra Fire Tower, Mt Benambra.
- (15) Mussurie Hut, near Pluto Creek, Gibbo River Junction.
- (16) Quintet Mine Hut No 1, Swindlers Spur.
- (17) Quintet Mine Hut No 2, Swindlers Spur.
- (18) Red Hut, Rocky Valley Creek, Roper Saddle.
- (19) Red Robin Battery Hut, West Kiewa River.
- (20) Ropers Hut, Duane Spur.
- (21) Sheever Spur, Dartmouth.
- (22) Springs Saddle Hut, Mt Fainter.
- (23) Sykes Dogman's Hut, New Yard Flat.
- (24) West Humffray Hut, West Humffray Road, Barry Range.

509 **CONDITION OF HUTS IN NATIONAL PARKS** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to huts on land managed by Parks Victoria — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Bon Accord Hut, Bon Accord Spur north of Mt Hotham.
- (2) Briggs Logging Camp Hut (West Kiewa), West Kiewa River west of Mt Fainter.
- (3) Red Robin Mine Hut, North of Mt Loch, Machinery Spur.
- (4) Reservoir Hut, Crystal Brook Reservoir, Mt Buffalo National Park.

510 **CONDITION OF HUTS ON CROWN LAND** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of each of the following huts, and if they have not been rebuilt, what is the timeline for their reconstruction —

- (1) Euco Stephenson's Hut, Nine Mile Creek, near Eight Mile Loop Track.
- (2) Long Plain Hut, Limestone, south of Dead Horse Creek.
- (3) Worcester Mine Hut, Bingo, via Omeo.

511 **CONDITION OF HUT AT MT HOTHAM** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment — what is the current condition of the Damm Hut, 50 metres north of Alpine Road, Dungay Hollow, on Mt Hotham Resort and if it has not been rebuilt what is the timeline for its reconstruction.

- 512 **REVIEW OF ACCELERATED LEARNING** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to an article, which appeared on page 15 of the *Mordialloc Chelsea Leader* on 18 August 2004, in which a spokesperson for the Minister announced that the Government will undertake a three-year review of accelerated learning programs across the state — what are the terms of reference of the review and who will be conducting it.
- 513 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT** — Ms Asher to ask the following ministers with reference to Mr Neil O’Keefe and the Melbourne Showgrounds redevelopment project —
- 513b Minister for Major Projects
- (1) On what date did Mr O’Keefe, former Chair of the Joint Venture of the Showgrounds redevelopment project, resign.
 - (2) On what date was the Minister advised of Mr O’Keefe’s resignation.
 - (3) What was the reason for Mr O’Keefe’s resignation.
- 514 **TAXES IMPOSED ON BUSINESSES IN BRIGHTON AND BRIGHTON EAST** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to businesses located in postcodes 3186 (Brighton) and 3187 (Brighton East) —
- (1) How many businesses were levied with pay-roll tax in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
 - (2) What was the total value of pay-roll tax for each postcode in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;
 - (d) 2003–2004.
 - (3) How many individuals and businesses were levied with land tax in —
 - (a) 2000–2001;
 - (b) 2001–2002;
 - (c) 2002–2003;

(d) 2003–2004.

(4) What was the total value of land tax for each postcode in —

(a) 2000–2001;

(b) 2001–2002;

(c) 2002–2003;

(d) 2003–2004.

521 **NON-HERITAGE PASSENGER TRAINS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport—

(1) What has been the expenditure since 6 May 2004 on restoring passenger services to the rail lines —

(a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;

(b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.

(2) When will regular V/Line services commence operation on the rail lines —

(a) Ballarat–Maryborough–Mildura;

(b) Cranbourne–Lang Lang–Leongatha.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2004

526 **TRAIN CANCELLATION ON BELGRAVE–LILYDALE LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of the 8.28 am train from East Camberwell station to the city on Friday 27 August 2004 —

(1) What was the cause of the cancelled service.

(2) What steps is the Minister taking to assist improved patronage of the public transport system rather than it being run down through unreliable service provision.

527 **FUNDING FOR HISTORICAL COMPLEXES IN THE PARKS VICTORIA PORTFOLIO** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the report by Heritage Council Victoria entitled *Review of Heritage Place Management in Victoria 2003*, which found that there is a need for funding of major works for large, significant historical complexes in the Parks Victoria portfolio — what has the Government done to address this need for funding.

- 528 **FUNDING FOR PARKS VICTORIA HUMAN AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES** — Mr Dixon to ask the Minister for Environment with reference to the report by Heritage Council Victoria entitled *Review of Heritage Place Management in Victoria 2003*, which found that Parks Victoria has inadequate human and financial resources to realise the full potential of visitor services — what has the Government done to redress this lack of funding.
- 530 **MERGER TO FORM VICURBAN** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects with reference to the merger of the Urban and Regional Land Corporation (URLC) and the Docklands Authority to form VicUrban —
- (1) Prior to the merger was an audit performed of the —
 - (a) URLC;
 - (b) Docklands Authority.
 - (2) Prior to the merger what financial studies were undertaken by —
 - (a) URLC;
 - (b) Docklands Authority.
 - (3) How many staff from the former URLC have left VicUrban.
- 531 **AUSTRALIAN CENTRE FOR PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE** — Ms Asher to ask the Treasurer with reference to the Centre at Melbourne University Private — has the Department of Treasury and Finance paid, part-paid or subsidised any staff to enrol in any of the courses provided by the Centre; if so, how many and which courses.
- 534 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —
- (1) On what date was Mr Neil O'Keefe appointed as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
 - (2) On what date was the actual decision made to short-list the three bidders, Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions, for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
 - (3) What were the names of the people who took the decision to put Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions on the short-list.
 - (4) On what date did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise that he had a conflict of interest.
 - (5) On what date was the Minister advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
 - (6) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe advise the Minister that he had a conflict of interest.

- (7) On what date was the Executive Director of Major Projects, Mr James Cain, advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (8) What action did Mr James Cain take.
- (9) On what date did Mr James Cain advise the Minister or the Minister's office of this.
- (10) On what date was the probity auditor appointed.
- (11) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest.
- (12) If the Minister was advised that Mr Neil O'Keefe had a conflict of interest, what did the Minister do to protect the integrity of the tender process.
- (13) If Mr Neil O'Keefe resigned in May 2004, why was a public announcement delayed until August 2004.
- (14) On what date was the Minister advised that the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid had been renamed Showcase Victoria.
- (15) Were there any variations in the number and name of the companies involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and the Showcase Victoria bid; if yes, what were the variations.
- (16) On what date was the decision made to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (17) What were the names of the people who took the decision to remove the Showcase Victoria bid from the short-list.
- (18) Why was the Showcase Victoria bid dropped from the short-list.
- (19) What remuneration did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive while Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (20) Did Mr Neil O'Keefe receive any remuneration after he advised the Government of his resignation as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project; if yes, what was the amount.
- (21) On what date was the probity auditor advised that Mr Terence Cuddy was involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and was also a Director of RIP3e, a company of which Mr Neil O'Keefe was also Director.
- (22) Did the probity auditor give any advice regarding the promotion of the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid by Mr Neil O'Keefe in the article featured in *The Sunday Age* dated 1 February 2004.
- (23) On what date was the Government advised that Mr Terence Cuddy was involved in the Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook bid and was also a Director of RIP3e, a company of which Mr Neil O'Keefe was also a Director.

- (24) Did the Government at any time approve Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook's use of Mr Terence Cuddy in their bid.

535 **MELBOURNE SHOWGROUNDS REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Agriculture —

- (1) On what date was Mr Neil O'Keefe appointed as Chair of the Joint Venture for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
- (2) On what date was the actual decision made to short-list the three bidders, Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook, Eco-vida and PPP Solutions, for the Showgrounds redevelopment project.
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- (21) Did the Government at any time approve Westpac/Baulderstone Hornibrook's use of Mr Terence Cuddy in their bid.

536 **OFFICE FOR YOUTH** — Mr Kotsiras to ask the Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs with reference to the Office for Youth and each agency and authority within the Minister's administration —

- (1) What are the details of all advertising campaigns indicating the purpose and total costs of each campaign since 1 June 2003.
- (2) From 1 June 2003 to date, what are the details of all publications produced, indicating in each case the —
 - (a) title of the publication;
 - (b) date of issue/distribution;
 - (c) cost of production;
 - (d) quantity printed;
 - (e) name of the printer;
 - (f) details of distribution, including numbers and cost;
 - (g) purpose of production.

537 **TRAIN CANCELLATIONS ON THE SANDRINGHAM LINE** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the cancellation of the 8.05 am train departing Sandringham on 16 August 2004 which led to a doubling of the passenger numbers on the 8.15 am train which first stopped at Ripponlea Station for approximately five minutes and then stopped completely at Windsor Station requiring passengers to disembark the train at Windsor and those that could manage to do so to board the 8.25 am ex-Sandringham train —

- (1) Why was the 8.05 am ex-Sandringham train cancelled.
- (2) Why did the 8.15 am ex-Sandringham train stop at the Ripponlea Station for approximately five minutes.
- (3) Why were passengers required to disembark from the train at Windsor Station.
- (4) What steps can the Minister take to ensure that three train loads of commuters are not expected to board one train during peak hour.

538 **CHELTENHAM RAILWAY STATION CARPARK** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to safety issues at the station's commuter carpark, which accesses Charman Road, and in particular the risk to pedestrian safety (including senior citizens, parents and children accessing Cheltenham Primary School); the current zebra crossing paint which is worn and barely visible for its purpose and the current access from Charman Road to the car park which is by way of an angular travel way and which encourages vehicles to use high speed — what steps can the Minister take to arrange for the re-engineering of the car park access to a right angle approach in order to slow vehicles down and to improve pedestrian safety.

539 **FUNDING OF LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the issue of funding for languages other than English as part of the out of school hours program — what has been the Government funding commitment for each of —

- (1) 1999–2000.
- (2) 2000–2001.
- (3) 2001–2002.
- (4) 2002–2003.
- (5) 2003–2004.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 5 OCTOBER 2004

556 **KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL PLANNING PERMIT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Planning with reference to the conditions of the Council's Planning Permit No 360/91 and the non compliance by the owners/occupiers of the land situated at the corner of Tootals Road and Old Dandenong Road, Dingley Village with multiple Pollution Abatement Notices served on them by the Environment Protection Authority —

- (1) What action has the Government taken to alleviate the public health concerns of residents resulting from the discharge of pollutants from the site.

- (2) What steps will the Government take to protect the health interests of the local Dingley community and to enforce the terms of the Pollution Abatement Notices.

557 **TRARALGON SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL** — Mr Perton to ask the Minister for Education and Training with reference to the answer to question 492 received on 4 October 2004 relating to the urgently needed capital upgrades for Traralgon South Primary School and the meeting promised by the Minister between the regional staff and the School that did not take place in September —

- (1) When will the meeting take place.
- (2) When will the School get its much needed permanent replacements for its decaying portable classrooms.

558 **FAREBOX REVENUE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport further to the answer to question 350 received on 4 October 2004 — what was the farebox revenue collected for each of the ticket types by zone for —

- (1) 2003–2004.
- (2) The first quarter of 2004–2005.

559 **ROAD SAFETY PROJECTS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) What amount has been spent on road safety projects with the word ‘motorcycle’ or ‘motorcyclists’ in their title or other commonly used descriptors, or otherwise aimed principally at enhancing motorcyclists’ rather than just general road users’ safety in —
 - (a) 2002–2003;
 - (b) 2003–2004;
 - (c) the first quarter of 2004–2005.
- (2) What was the name of each project, its location, aim and cost in each year or quarter.

560 **V/LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) How many passenger journeys were made on V/Line trains or coaches in each quarter from the June 2002 quarter to the September 2004 quarter inclusive.
- (2) How many passengers were tallied on each individual V/Line rail or coach service operated on Tuesday 5 October 2004, including Department of Infrastructure (DOI) services that appear in the V/Line timetable.
- (3) What was the number of individual journeys, including those passengers connecting to V/Line or DOI road coach services made on the following lines in each of August 2002, August 2003 and August 2004 —

- (a) Geelong/South Geelong;
 - (b) beyond South Geelong to stations from Winchelsea to Warrnambool;
 - (c) Ballarat;
 - (d) Beaufort to Ararat;
 - (e) Bendigo;
 - (f) Dingee to Swan Hill;
 - (g) Seymour;
 - (h) Nagambie to Shepparton;
 - (i) Avenel to Albury;
 - (j) Traralgon;
 - (k) Rosedale to Bairnsdale;
 - (l) beyond Cranbourne to Leongatha;
 - (m) beyond Cranbourne to Inverloch.
- (4) How many adult fare passengers held V/Line Date to Date tickets on 5 October 2004 on the following lines —
- (a) South Geelong;
 - (b) Ballarat;
 - (c) Bendigo;
 - (d) Seymour;
 - (e) Traralgon.

QUESTION ASKED ON 12 OCTOBER 2004

561 **ASSESSMENT OF BOONERWRUNG INTERESTS FROM GEOLOGICAL AND TERRITORIAL PERSPECTIVES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney-General with reference to the report titled *Assessment of Boonerwung interests from geological and territorial perspectives* prepared by Dr Clark of the Department of Justice —

- (1) What was the cost of the report.
- (2) For what purpose was it prepared.

- (3) To date, why has access to the report been restricted.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 3 NOVEMBER 2004

- 563 **NEW HOUSING ACQUISITIONS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to new housing acquisitions for each of 1999–2000, 2000–2001, 2001–2002, 2002–2003 and 2003–2004 — how many units were purchased or built for less than \$100,000 in each broadband area.
- 564 **NEW HOUSING COSTS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing with reference to new housing acquisitions for 2004–2005 —
- (1) How many units will be purchased or built for less than \$100,000 per unit in each broadband area.
 - (2) What is the average price of a unit under \$100,000 in each broadband area.
- 566 **NEW HOUSING PROJECTS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing —
- (1) What is the total value of new projects for the Office of Housing costing less than \$100,000 and therefore not listed in the *2004–2005 Public Sector Asset Investment Program — Budget Information Paper No 1* separated into —
 - (a) total estimated investment;
 - (b) estimated expenditure for 2004–2005.
 - (2) What was the purpose of each expenditure.
- 567 **BLUFF AND BAY ROADS INTERSECTION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services with reference to the intersection of Bluff and Bay Roads in Sandringham which is a high frequency accident intersection — according to Police Traffic Management data how many accidents have been recorded at the intersection in —
- (1) 2004 to date;
 - (2) 2003;
 - (3) 2002;
 - (4) 2001;
 - (5) 2000.

- 568 **BLUFF AND BAY ROADS INTERSECTION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the intersection of Bluff and Bay Roads in Sandringham which is a high frequency accident intersection — what plans does the Minister have to improve traffic management of the intersection to reduce the frequency of accidents, minimise personal injury and property damage and advance public safety.
- 570 **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPLICATIONS** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) How many of the 349 Freedom of Information (FOI) applications received in 2003–04 did the Department of Infrastructure (DOI) —
 - (a) grant access to in full;
 - (b) grant access to in part;
 - (c) deny access to;
 - (d) treat as withdrawn.
 - (2) What was the result of each FOI appeal to VCAT in 2003–04.
 - (3) How many FOI applications were processed within 45 days in 2003–04.
 - (4) Why does the information in (1) and (3) above not appear in the DOI Annual Report for 2003–04.
- 571 **V/LINE** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —
- (1) What has been the cash farebox revenue received by V/Line between —
 - (a) 1 January to 30 June 2004;
 - (b) 1 July to 30 September 2004.
 - (2) What amount was received for each of the above periods a year earlier.
 - (3) How many individual passenger journeys were made on V/Line in each of the above 2003 and 2004 periods.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 9 NOVEMBER 2004

- 572 **COURT HOUSE IN HIGHETT** — Mr Thompson to ask the Attorney General with reference to his recent announcement of the development of a \$28 million Court House in Highett to be completed by 2007 —
- (1) When is it envisaged that the project will commence.

- (2) Will the new court house development include a prison or holding cells; if so, what will be the holding capacity.
- (3) Will the new court house development incorporate a police station.
- (4) What are the implications of this development for the development of the Sandringham Police Station.
- (5) What are the implications of this development for the development of the Cheltenham Police Station.
- (6) What are the implications of this decision for the Moorabbin Police complex.
- (7) What will be the impact of the development, if any, on the current use of public open space including the Sir William Fry Reserve.

573 **SOUTHLAND RAILWAY STATION** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the announcement by the Attorney General of the development of a \$28 million Court House in Highett and the public statement made by the Government about a feasibility study into plans to build a Southland railway station —

- (1) Will the Government guarantee the continued future of the Cheltenham and Highett railway stations in the event of a new Southland station being constructed.
- (2) What is the anticipated increase in commuter time to the city as a consequence of the station being built.

574 **MAJOR PROJECTS VICTORIA (MPV)** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) How many staff (full time equivalent) are currently employed by MPV.
- (2) How many staff (full time equivalent) were employed by MPV in —
 - (a) 2001–2002;
 - (b) 2002–2003.

575 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND YOUTH AFFAIRS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs —

- (1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —
 - (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2002–2003.
- (2) If so —

- (a) what were the dates of travel;
- (b) what were the destinations of travel;
- (c) what were the purposes of the travel.

576 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR MAJOR PROJECTS** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects —

- (1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —
 - (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2002–2003.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) what were the dates of travel;
 - (b) what were the destinations of travel;
 - (c) what were the purposes of the travel.

577 **INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL BY MINISTER FOR STATE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for State and Regional Development —

- (1) Did the Minister take any international trips in —
 - (a) 2003–2004;
 - (b) 2002–2003.
- (2) If so —
 - (a) what were the dates of travel;
 - (b) what were the destinations of travel;
 - (c) what were the purposes for the travel.

578 **PILOT VEHICLES** — Mr Thompson to ask the Minister for Transport with reference to the learner driver handbook *Road to Solo Driving* which only has a limited description of the role of and signage for pilot vehicles which assist with the transport of oversized loads on Victoria's roads —

- (1) What steps need to be taken to review safety procedures following the death which occurred early this year when a vehicle ran into a truck carrying a transformer on Springvale Road, Glen Waverley.

- (2) What steps are proposed to improve the driver education and awareness of the role played by pilot vehicles.
- (3) What steps are the Government planning to take to improve the visibility of pilot vehicles such as a change in warning light colour from amber to magenta.
- (4) What consultations has the Minister had with the pilots' association.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 9 NOVEMBER 2004

580 **VICTORIAN FUNDS MANAGEMENT CORPORATION (VFMC)** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer with reference to the statement on page 13 of the VFMC Annual Report 2003–2004 that '[I]ate in the financial year, the \$2.4 billion State of Victoria Budget sector progressively withdrew its funds managed by the Corporation' —

- (1) What were the reasons these funds were withdrawn from VFMC management.
- (2) How and by whom are these funds being managed subsequent to this withdrawal.

581 **CITYLINK** — Mr Clark to ask the Treasurer — on what basis did the Treasurer make his statement in the *Australian Financial Review* of 28 October 2004 that in 1996–1997 CityLink had announced a construction cost of approximately \$1.2 billion, when CityLink was announced in 1995 as a project costing \$1.7 billion.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 11 NOVEMBER 2004

582 **COMMONWEALTH STATE TERRITORY DISABILITY AGREEMENT FUNDING** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) What funds did Victoria receive from the Commonwealth in 2003–2004 under the Commonwealth State Territory Disability Agreement.
- (2) What funds did Victoria contribute to meet its responsibilities under the Agreement in 2003–2004.

583 **DISABILITY SERVICE NEEDS REGISTER** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) How many individuals are waiting on the Disability Service Needs Register for —
 - (a) shared support accommodation;
 - (b) in-home accommodation support;
 - (c) day programs.

- (2) For each category, how many are classified as —
 - (a) urgent priority;
 - (b) high priority;
 - (c) low priority.

584 **DISABILITY SUPPORT** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — as at 30 June 2004 how many people with disabilities were in receipt of —

- (1) Accommodation outreach support.
- (2) Family options support.
- (3) Flexible support packages.
- (4) Home first.
- (5) Individual support packages.
- (6) Shared support accommodation.
- (7) Transitional accommodation support.

585 **SHARED SUPPORTED ACCOMODATION** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the 4417 clients in shared supported accommodation as at 30 June 2004, an increase of 92 over the 2003 number of 4325 clients — how much of the increase was the result of —

- (1) Residential respite places being transferred to shared supported accommodation.
- (2) Clients transferring from Kew Residential Services.

586 **DISABILITY SERVICES DIVISION** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services — what were the Disability Services Division total operating expenses and total capital expenses as at June 30 2004.

589 **DAY PROGRAMS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the 685 people in the urgent category of the day program component of the Disability Services Needs Register as at 30 December 2003 — why has the number of clients with day activities decreased by 120 in the 12 months from 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2004.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 16 NOVEMBER 2004

590 **CONNEX** — Mr Mulder to ask the Minister for Transport —

- (1) When will data loggers (black boxes) be installed in Connex's 90 Comeng suburban trains.
- (2) Why are data loggers not being installed in Connex's 15 Hitachi suburban trains.
- (3) When will the last Hitachi suburban train be withdrawn from service.

591 **DISABILITY SERVICES** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) How many people in total were assessed as eligible to receive services under the *Intellectually Disabled Persons' Services Act 1986* as at 30 June 2004.
- (2) How many of these were aged —
 - (a) under 18 years;
 - (b) 18 or more years.
- (3) How many people in total were assessed as eligible to receive services under the *Disability Services Act 1981*.
- (4) How many of these were aged —
 - (a) under 18 years;
 - (b) 18 or more years.

592 **DISABILITY SERVICES NEEDS REGISTER** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services with reference to the Disability Service Needs Register as at 30 June 2004 —

- (1) How many of the carers of people registered for shared supported accommodation were aged —
 - (a) under 55;
 - (b) 55–64;
 - (c) 65–69;
 - (d) over 70.
- (2) How many of the carers of people registered for in home support were aged —

- (a) under 55;
 - (b) 55–64;
 - (c) 65–69;
 - (d) over 70.
- (3) How many of the carers of people registered for day programs were aged —
- (a) under 55;
 - (b) 55–64;
 - (c) 65–69;
 - (d) over 70.

593 **RESPIRE BEDS** — Mrs Shardey to ask the Minister for Community Services —

- (1) How many government and non-government respite beds were available for people with disabilities in each region —
- (a) as at 30 June 2004;
 - (b) seven days a week, 52 weeks a year.
- (2) How many episodes of respite were provided in each region through bed-based facilities for the 12 months ending 30 June 2004.
- (3) How many households were provided with respite in each region through bed-based facilities for the 12 months ending 30 June 2004.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 30 NOVEMBER 2004

594 **STEAM BOILER TENDER** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Health with reference to a tender placed by Bassett Kuttner Collins in May 2004 for one steam boiler for the Austin and Repatriation Medical Centre and one of the tenderers Hunt Boilers Melbourne —

- (1) Why were the specifications of the tender changed during the tender process.
- (2) Why was Hunt Boilers Melbourne not informed of the change of the tender specifications.
- (3) Why was Hunt Boilers Melbourne not given the opportunity to re-tender.
- (4) Why was the contract awarded to a company importing the required goods from overseas when a local alternative was available.

595 **HAYSTAC PUBLIC AFFAIRS PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

595a Premier
 595b Minister for Agriculture
 595c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
 595d Minister for the Arts
 595e Attorney-General
 595f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
 595g Minister for Community Services
 595h Minister for Corrections
 595i Minister for Education Services
 595j Minister for Education and Training
 595k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
 595l Minister for Environment
 595m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
 595n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
 595o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
 595p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
 595q Minister for Financial Services Industry
 595r Minister for Gaming
 595s Minister for Health
 595t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
 595u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
 595v Minister for Industrial Relations
 595w Minister for Innovation
 595x Minister for Major Projects
 595y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
 595z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
 595aa Minister for Planning
 595ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
 595ac Minister for Racing
 595ad Minister for State and Regional Development
 595ae Minister for Tourism
 595af Minister for Transport
 595ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
 595ah Treasurer
 595ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
 595aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
 595ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
 595al Minister for Victorian Communities
 595am Minister for Water
 595an Minister for Women's Affairs
 595ao Minister for WorkCover
 595ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs
 With reference to Haystac Public Affairs Pty Ltd —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's department or private office or any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 26 August 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.

(3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

596 **SHANNON'S WAY PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the undermentioned Ministers —

596a Premier
596b Minister for Agriculture
596c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
596d Minister for the Arts
596e Attorney-General
596f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
596g Minister for Community Services
596h Minister for Corrections
596i Minister for Education Services
596j Minister for Education and Training
596k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
596l Minister for Environment
596m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
596n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
596o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
596p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
596q Minister for Financial Services Industry
596r Minister for Gaming
596s Minister for Health
596t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
596u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
596v Minister for Industrial Relations
596w Minister for Innovation
596x Minister for Major Projects
596y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
596z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
596aa Minister for Planning
596ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
596ac Minister for Racing
596ad Minister for State and Regional Development
596ae Minister for Tourism
596af Minister for Transport
596ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
596ah Treasurer
596ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
596aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
596ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business
596al Minister for Victorian Communities
596am Minister for Water
596an Minister for Women's Affairs
596ao Minister for WorkCover
596ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Shannon's Way Pty Ltd —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's department or private office or any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 28 October 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

QUESTIONS ASKED ON 7 NOVEMBER 2004

597 **SOCIAL SHIFT PTY LTD** — Ms Asher to ask the following Ministers —

- 597a Premier
- 597b Minister for Agriculture
- 597c Minister for Agriculture for the Minister for Resources
- 597d Minister for the Arts
- 597e Attorney-General
- 597f Attorney-General for the Minister for Consumer Affairs
- 597g Minister for Community Services
- 597h Minister for Corrections
- 597i Minister for Education Services
- 597j Minister for Education and Training
- 597k Minister for Employment and Youth Affairs
- 597l Minister for Environment
- 597m Minister for Environment for the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs
- 597n Minister for Environment for the Minister for Commonwealth Games
- 597o Minister for Environment for the Minister for Local Government
- 597p Minister for Environment for the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 597q Minister for Financial Services Industry
- 597r Minister for Gaming
- 597s Minister for Health
- 597t Minister for Health for the Minister for Aged Care
- 597u Minister for Health for the Minister for Housing
- 597v Minister for Industrial Relations
- 597w Minister for Innovation
- 597x Minister for Major Projects
- 597y Minister for Manufacturing and Export
- 597z Minister for Multicultural Affairs
- 597aa Minister for Planning
- 597ab Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 597ac Minister for Racing
- 597ad Minister for State and Regional Development
- 597ae Minister for Tourism
- 597af Minister for Transport
- 597ag Minister for Transport for the Minister for Energy Industries
- 597ah Treasurer
- 597ai Treasurer for the Minister for Finance
- 597aj Treasurer for the Minister for Information and for Communication Technology
- 597ak Treasurer for the Minister for Small Business

597al Minister for Victorian Communities

597am Minister for Water

597an Minister for Women's Affairs

597ao Minister for WorkCover

597ap Minister assisting the Premier on Multicultural Affairs

With reference to Social Shift Pty Ltd —

- (1) What payments have been made to the company by the Minister's department or private office or any agency or statutory body under the Minister's administration since 26 August 2003.
- (2) On what dates were the payments made.
- (3) Briefly describe the project for which payment was made.

598 **WEST GATE BRIDGE MEMORIAL PARK** — Ms Asher to ask the Minister for Major Projects — what was the total of the final amount allocated to the West Gate Bridge Memorial Park from —

- (1) WorkCover.
- (2) Parks Victoria.
- (3) VicRoads.
- (4) The Community Support Fund.

