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Questions have been incorporated from the notice paper of the Legislative Council.
Answers have been incorporated in the form supplied by the departments on behalf of the appropriate ministers.
The portfolio of the minister answering the question on notice starts each heading.*

Tuesday, 24 May 2011

Premier: floods — royal visit

- 215. MS PULFORD** — To ask the Minister for Health (for the Premier): In relation to the visit by Prince William to flood-affected parts of Victoria and with specific reference to the Premier's media conference of 15 March 2011:
- (1) Was the suggested list of localities for Prince William to visit, compiled by —
 - (a) the Premier;
 - (b) the Premier's office;
 - (c) the office of any Victorian government minister;
 - (d) the Department of Premier and Cabinet;
 - (e) Government House; or
 - (f) any other Victorian government department or agency; if so, which department or agency.
 - (2) If the list of suggested localities was compiled other than by Government House, did the Premier personally approve the list of suggested localities; if not, who approved the list of suggested localities.
 - (3) If the list of suggested localities was compiled by an individual other than the individual who approved the list, was the final list of suggested localities the same as the originally compiled list.
 - (4) What localities were suggested by the Victorian government for Prince William to visit.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Prince William visited Australia on behalf of the Queen, following an invitation by the Prime Minister.

All flood-affected areas of Victoria were considered for Prince William to visit.

The itinerary was a collaborative effort, as has been the practice for such visits, between the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, the Department of Premier and Cabinet and the office of the member of the royal family concerned, in this case Prince William's office. The Office of Prince William made suggestions of locations to visit as did the Office of the Premier, the Department of Premier and Cabinet and the Department of Human Services.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Albert Park electorate

- 496. MR PAKULA** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Albert Park.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Altona electorate

497. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Altona.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Ballarat East electorate

498. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Ballarat East.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Bass electorate

499. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Bass.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Bayswater electorate

500. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Bayswater.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Bellarine electorate

501. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Bellarine.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Benalla electorate

502. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Benalla.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Benambra electorate

503. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Benambra.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Bendigo East electorate

504. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Bendigo East.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Bentleigh electorate

505. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Bentleigh.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Box Hill electorate

506. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Box Hill.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Brighton electorate

507. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Brighton.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Broadmeadows electorate

508. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Broadmeadows.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Brunswick electorate

509. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Brunswick.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Bulleen electorate

510. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Bulleen.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Bundoora electorate

511. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Bundoora.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Burwood electorate

512. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Burwood.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Carrum electorate

513. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Carrum.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Caulfield electorate

514. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Caulfield.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Clayton electorate

515. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Clayton.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Cranbourne electorate

516. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Cranbourne.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Dandenong electorate

517. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Dandenong.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Derrimut electorate

518. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Derrimut.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Doncaster electorate

519. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Doncaster.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Eltham electorate

520. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Eltham.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Essendon electorate

521. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Essendon.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Evelyn electorate

522. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Evelyn.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Ferntree Gully electorate

523. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Ferntree Gully.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Footscray electorate

524. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Footscray.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Forest Hill electorate

525. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Forest Hill.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Frankston electorate

526. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Frankston.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Geelong electorate

527. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Geelong.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Gembrook electorate

528. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Gembrook.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Gippsland East electorate

529. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Gippsland East.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Gippsland South electorate

530. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Gippsland South.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Hastings electorate

531. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Hastings.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Hawthorn electorate

532. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Hawthorn.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Ivanhoe electorate

533. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Ivanhoe.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Keilor electorate

534. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Keilor.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Kew electorate

535. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Kew.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Kilsyth electorate

536. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Kilsyth.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Kororoit electorate

537. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Kororoit.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Lara electorate

538. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Lara.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Lowan electorate

539. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Lowan.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Lyndhurst electorate

540. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Lyndhurst.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Macedon electorate

541. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Macedon.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Malvern electorate

542. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Malvern.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Melbourne electorate

543. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Melbourne.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Melton electorate

544. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Melton.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Mildura electorate

545. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Mildura.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Mill Park electorate

546. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Mill Park.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Mitcham electorate

547. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Mitcham.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Monbulk electorate

548. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Monbulk.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Mordialloc electorate

549. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Mordialloc.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Mornington electorate

550. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Mornington.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Morwell electorate

551. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Morwell.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Mount Waverley electorate

552. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Mount Waverley.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Mulgrave electorate

553. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Mulgrave.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Murray Valley electorate

554. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Murray Valley.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Narracan electorate

555. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Narracan.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Narre Warren North electorate

556. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Narre Warren North.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Narre Warren South electorate

557. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Narre Warren South.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Nepean electorate

558. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Nepean.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Niddrie electorate

559. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Niddrie.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Northcote electorate

560. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Northcote.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Oakleigh electorate

561. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Oakleigh.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Pascoe Vale electorate

562. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Pascoe Vale.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Polwarth electorate

563. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Polwarth.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Prahran electorate

564. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Prahran.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Preston electorate

565. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Preston.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Richmond electorate

566. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Richmond.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Ripon electorate

567. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Ripon.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Rodney electorate

568. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Rodney.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Sandringham electorate

569. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Sandringham.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Scoresby electorate

570. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Scoresby.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Seymour electorate

571. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Seymour.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Shepparton electorate

572. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Shepparton.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — South Barwon electorate

573. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of South Barwon.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — South-West Coast electorate

574. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of South-West Coast.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Swan Hill electorate

575. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Swan Hill.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Tarneit electorate

576. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Tarneit.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Thomastown electorate

577. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Thomastown.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Warrandyte electorate

578. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Warrandyte.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Williamstown electorate

579. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Williamstown.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Yan Yean electorate

580. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Yan Yean.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Yuroke electorate

581. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Yuroke.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Bendigo West electorate

582. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Bendigo West.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

Consumer affairs: liquor licensing compliance inspections — Ballarat West electorate

583. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): What was the total number of compliance inspections undertaken by Liquor Licensing Victoria between 1 November 2010 to 5 April 2011 for the electorate of Ballarat West.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The compliance inspection data held by Responsible Alcohol Victoria is not disaggregated according to electoral district.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

*Answers to the following questions on notice were circulated on the date shown.
Questions have been incorporated from the notice paper of the Legislative Council.
Answers have been incorporated in the form supplied by the departments on behalf of the appropriate ministers.
The portfolio of the minister answering the question on notice starts each heading.*

Wednesday, 25 May 2011

Treasurer: Telstra — Ballarat jobs

- 220. MS PULFORD** — To ask the Assistant Treasurer (for the Treasurer): In relation to the job losses in Ballarat announced on 27 January 2011 by Telstra:
- (1) On what date was the minister's office advised or made aware of these job losses.
 - (2) On what date was the minister advised or made aware of these job losses.
 - (3) Who advised or made the minister aware of these job losses.
 - (4) Who advised or made the minister's office aware of these job losses.
 - (5) If the minister was advised or made aware of these job losses other than personally by a representative of Telstra, did the minister, subsequent to receiving advice or information of the losses, make personal contact with Telstra; if so, on what date did the minister make that contact.
 - (6) Subsequent to receiving advice or information of the losses did the minister instruct the department to make contact with Telstra; if so, on what date did the minister give that instruction.
 - (7) Did the minister make any public comments or statements about these job losses; if so, on what date or dates were those statements made.

ANSWER:

- (1) The Treasurer's office was only made aware of these job losses through media reports
- (2) The Treasurer was only made aware of these job losses through media reports.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) Not applicable.
- (6) Not applicable.
- (7) Not applicable.

Public transport: Metcard and myki tickets — usage

- 585. MR BARBER** — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Public Transport): In relation to metropolitan train ticketing systems throughout March 2011, how many —
- (a) validations were recorded by Metcard tickets; and
 - (b) touch-ons were recorded by myki tickets.

ANSWER:

I am informed that, as at the date the question was raised:

- (a) 15 224 894.
- (b) 3 100 164.

Premier: Monash Freeway — noise barriers

601. MR LENDERS — To ask the Minister for Health (for the Premier): Will the government honour the coalition’s commitment for improved noise barriers along the Monash Freeway in Ashburton and Glen Iris.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The government is committed to implementing innovative noise attenuation measures along the Monash Freeway in both Ashburton and Glen Iris. The project is being developed and works are expected to be complete by December 2012.

Premier: VicRoads — noise walls project

602. MR LENDERS — To ask the Minister for Health (for the Premier): In relation to the article in the *Progress Leader* that states VicRoads has “canned” the \$8.4 million noise walls project for which the Brumby Labor government set aside funding in last year’s budget, does the Premier’s commitment to honour all promises apply to this project, or should residents of the Burwood electorate feel betrayed by the false promises made in the campaign to oust former member for Burwood, Mr Bob Stensholt.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The \$8.4 million noise wall project involves the development and implementation of innovative noise attenuation measures along the Monash Freeway in both Ashburton and Glen Iris.

The government is committed to implementing this project and works are expected to be complete by December 2012.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Thursday, 26 May 2011

Community services: Department of Human Services — staff

115. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services):

- (1) What is the total number of executive and non-executive staff employed by the Department of Human Services who were either —
 - (a) made redundant (whether voluntarily or involuntarily);
 - (b) had employment terminated by the department; or
 - (c) whose employment ceased as a result of a voluntary separation or resignation.
- (2) What is the total gross cost of all payments made to these staff as a result of these redundancies, terminations and separations, between 2 December 2010 and 2 March 2011 inclusive.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

1. Between 2 December 2010 and 2 March 2011
 - a) Three voluntary redundancies and one owing to restructuring.
 - b) Nil.
 - c) One-hundred and seventy-two.
2. The gross cost of all payments made to staff as a result of redundancies, terminations and separations was \$1 038 753.72.

Agriculture and food security: duck season — costs

168. MS PENNICUIK — To ask the Minister for Higher Education and Skills (for the Minister for Agriculture and Food Security): What was the cost in 2010, and what is the projected cost in 2011, of deploying officers of the Department of Sustainability and Environment to monitor areas and rescue wounded ducks at sites where duck hunting takes place for the duration of the duck hunting season.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The Victorian government proudly supports sustainable nature-based recreational activities and encourages Victorians to visit regional areas, gain an appreciation of the natural environment and to participate in recreational activities reflecting cultural values. In this way the government actively supports the recreational fishing sector and provides management services for hunting activities.

The Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) keeps records for overall costs for duck season management. These figures are not at a resolution to allow specific analysis of costs to 'monitor areas' or 'rescue wounded ducks'. The totals include costs associated with the management of protesters engaged in illegal activity.

DSE advise the cost of field operations during 2010 duck season for compliance and survey activities was \$74 500. A standard full season has been declared for 2011 with projected costs of \$92 700.

Although the management of duck hunting in Victoria is undertaken by DSE, other government agencies such as Parks Victoria and Victoria Police are also involved. Their costs are not reflected in DSE costs.

Agriculture and food security: aerial baiting — trials

169. MS PENNICUIK — To ask the Minister for Higher Education and Skills (for the Minister for Agriculture and Food Security): In relation to the previous government’s aerial baiting trials:

- (1) What were the main findings and recommendations of these trials.
- (2) Have the findings and recommendations of these trials been made public.
- (3) What was the finding in the trials that provided the basis for the previous government’s moratorium on aerial baiting.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) Between 2005 and 2007 three trials were undertaken by the previous government in north-eastern Victoria and Gippsland to assess the safe and effective use of aerial baiting for the control of wild dogs in Victoria.

The results of the trials were inconclusive in terms of efficacy as a wild dog management technique. Subsequent testing at a Queensland laboratory of samples of the baits used in two initial field trials in 2006 and 2007 indicated that the baits contained insufficient concentration of 1080 to be lethal to wild dogs. The trials confirmed that surface laid baits are more likely to be taken by non-target species (predominantly foxes) than buried baits. No spot-tailed quolls were recorded taking baits. The report on the trials suggested the following be considered:

- bait application rates;
- how best to integrate aerial baiting with ground-based baiting;
- long term cost-benefit monitoring of aerial baiting, including impacts on stock losses and the effect on native species preyed upon by wild dogs;
- pre-baiting investigations to establish the presence of spot-tailed quolls in the landscape; and
- likely impact of wild dog baiting on foxes and potential flow on effects to feral cats and native prey species.

- (2) The results of the trials were presented to the Aerial Baiting Trial Stakeholder Consultative Committee (ABTSCC), which comprised of various stakeholders including the Gippsland and North East Wild Dog Management Groups, Victorian Farmers Federation, World Wide Fund for Nature Threatened Species Unit and the Victorian National Parks Association.

- (3) The previous government did not impose a moratorium on aerial baiting.

Environment and climate change: aerial baiting — dingoes

171. MS PENNICUIK — To ask the Minister for Health (for the Minister for Environment and Climate Change): In relation to the government’s intention to commence aerial baiting of wild dogs and the issue of ‘secondary kill’ of the dingo which is now listed as a threatened species under the *Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988*:

- (1) Has the Department of Sustainability and Environment conducted a comprehensive survey on public land to ascertain the prevalence and location of threatened dingoes in Victoria.

- (2) If not, will the department undertake such a survey prior to the introduction of aerial baiting of wild dogs to guarantee that aerial baiting will not jeopardise the survival of the dingo in Victoria.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Arrangements for introducing aerial baiting to control wild dogs for the protection of livestock are currently being developed. They will take into account any potential impacts on threatened species, including the dingo. The new arrangements will incorporate monitoring of the dingoes in the wild.

The Department of Primary Industry (DPI) Wild Dog Management Program planning process together with the DSE permit approval process under the Wildlife Act, allows for the conservation of dingoes in remote areas on public land.

The dingo's existence in Victoria is threatened primarily through genetic swamping by inter-breeding with wild dogs.

The Wild Dog Management Program, administered by DPI, may indirectly promote the conservation of dingoes in remote areas by reducing the number of wild dogs with which dingoes may breed.

Innovation, services and small business: Salmat — Geelong jobs

231. MS PULFORD — To ask the Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations (for the Minister for Innovation, Services and Small Business): In relation to the job losses at Salmat that were attributed to the loss of a contract with Telstra that became public knowledge on or about Monday, 7 March 2011:

- (1) On what date was the minister's office advised or made aware of these job losses.
- (2) On what date was the minister advised or made aware of these job losses.
- (3) Who advised or made the minister aware of these job losses.
- (4) Who advised or made the minister's office aware of these job losses.
- (5) If the minister was advised or made aware of these job losses other than personally by a representative of Telstra, did the minister, subsequent to receiving advice or information of the losses, make personal contact with Telstra; if so, on what date did the minister make that contact.
- (6) If the minister was advised or made aware of these job losses other than personally by a representative of Salmat, did the minister, subsequent to receiving advice or information of the losses, make personal contact with Salmat; if so, on what date did the minister make that contact.
- (7) Subsequent to receiving advice or information of the losses did the minister instruct the department to make contact with Telstra; if so, on what date did the minister give that instruction
- (8) Subsequent to receiving advice or information of the losses did the minister instruct the department to make contact with Salmat; if so, on what date did the minister give that instruction
- (9) Did the minister make any public comments or statements about these job losses; if so, on what date or dates were those statements made.
- (10) What action did the minister take to try and maintain these jobs at Salmat.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

In relation to the job losses at Salmat that were attributed to the loss of a contract with Telstra that became public knowledge on or about Monday, 7 March 2011:

My office was advised on 11 March 2011 of the potential job losses.

The department has been in ongoing communication with Telstra regarding recent announcements and the restructuring of its local operations.

The department met with Salmat on 8 March 2011 to discuss the potential job losses.

The department has been in ongoing communication with Telstra regarding recent announcements and the restructuring of its local operations.

I have not made any public comments or statements about the potential job losses.

The government is fully supportive of the Geelong contact centre and Salmat's efforts to secure new business to replace the lost Telstra business and maintain the existing workforce.

Innovation, services and small business: Vertex — Ballarat jobs

233. MS TIERNEY — To ask the Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations (for the Minister for Innovation, Services and Small Business): In relation to the Vertex call centre located in Ballarat:

- (1) On what date was the minister's office advised that the call centre may not proceed.
- (2) On what date was the minister advised that the call centre may not proceed.
- (3) Who advised the minister that the call centre may not proceed.
- (4) Who advised the minister's office that the call centre may not proceed.
- (5) If the minister was advised that the call centre may not proceed other than personally by a representative of Vertex, did the minister, subsequent to receiving advice or information of the losses, make personal contact with Vertex; if so, on what date did the minister make that contact.
- (6) Subsequent to receiving advice that the call centre may not proceed did the minister instruct the department to make contact with Vertex; if so, on what date did the minister give that instruction.
- (7) Did the minister make any public comments or statements about these job losses prior to 22 March 2011; if so, on what date or dates were those statements made.
- (8) What action did the minister take to support Vertex in expanding its operations by opening a customer support centre in Ballarat.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

In relation to the Vertex call centre located in Ballarat:

The first time I found out that the Ballarat Vertex call centre may not proceed was when I was in opposition, around September 2010.

In government, my office was advised on 14 February 2011 that the Vertex customer support centre in Ballarat may not proceed.

A letter from Vertex was sent to Department of Business and Innovation representatives advising them that the centre may not proceed on 1 February 2011.

Vertex has continued to deal with senior executives within my department and has been in ongoing communication with Vertex to assist them expand its operations in Victoria.

I did not make any public comments or statements about these job losses prior to 22 March 2011.

The Department of Business and Innovation has provided ongoing support to Vertex in its endeavours to establish a contact centre in Ballarat.

Innovation, services and small business: Vertex — Bentleigh jobs

234. MS TIERNEY — To ask the Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations (for the Minister for Innovation, Services and Small Business): In relation to the job losses at the Vertex located in Bentleigh that were attributed to the loss of a contract with Telstra that became public knowledge on or about Monday, 8 March 2011:

- (1) On what date was the minister's office advised or made aware of these job losses.
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- (9) Did the minister make any public comments or statements about these job losses; if so, on what date or dates were those statements made.
- (10) What action did the minister take to try and maintain these jobs at Vertex.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

On 8 March 2011, the Victorian government became aware of media reports that due to the loss of a large Telstra contract, Vertex Australia has cut 250 jobs from its centre in East Bentleigh.

Telstra is currently undergoing a significant review of its outsourcing strategy which will affect a number of its current suppliers.

The Department of Business and Innovation, on behalf of the state government of Victoria, has been in contact with Vertex to ascertain the number of jobs that will be affected.

The government is continuing to work with Vertex regarding its presence in Victoria. The Baillieu government is committed to a strong, vibrant economy and to growing jobs across all of Victoria.

Community services: child protection — orders

249. MR TARLAMIS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): What is the number of children under protection orders in the child protection system in the —

- (a) eastern metropolitan region;
- (b) north and west region;
- (c) southern region;
- (d) Barwon-south western region;
- (e) Gippsland region;
- (f) Grampians region;
- (g) Hume region; and

- (h) Loddon-Mallee region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Data on the number of children under protection orders in the child protection system in Victoria is publicly available in reports published by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (<http://www.aihw.gov.au>).

Community services: child protection — case loads

250. MR TARLAMIS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): What is the current average number of concurrent cases allocated to individual child protection workers within the Department of Human Services in the —

- (a) eastern metropolitan region;
- (b) north and west region;
- (c) southern region;
- (d) Barwon-south western region;
- (e) Gippsland region;
- (f) Grampians region;
- (g) Hume region; and
- (h) Loddon-Mallee region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Under systems established by the previous government, caseload data is indicative at best. These systems are currently being re-oriented.

The available data suggests that the average case loads of individual workers, while fluctuating, average around 15.

Community services: child protection — reports

251. MR TARLAMIS — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the number of children in the child protection system, how many reports have been received by the Department of Human Services between January 2010 and January 2011 in the —

- (a) eastern metropolitan region;
- (b) north and west region;
- (c) southern region;
- (d) Barwon-south western region;
- (e) Gippsland region;
- (f) Grampians region;
- (g) Hume region; and
- (h) Loddon-Mallee region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Data on the number of reports to child protection in Victoria is publicly available in reports published by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (<http://www.aihw.gov.au>).

Community services: child protection — investigations

- 252. MR TARLAMIS** — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the number of children in the child protection system, how many investigations have been undertaken by the Department of Human Services between January 2010 and January 2011 in the —
- (a) eastern metropolitan region;
 - (b) north and west region;
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ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Data on the number of investigations of children in the child protection system in Victoria is publicly available in reports published by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (<http://www.aihw.gov.au>).

Community services: child protection — workers

- 253. MR TARLAMIS** — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the number of children in the child protection system, how many children are not currently allocated a child protection worker in the —
- (a) eastern metropolitan region;
 - (b) north and west region;
 - (c) southern region;
 - (d) Barwon-south western region;
 - (e) Gippsland region;
 - (f) Grampians region;
 - (g) Hume region; and
 - (h) Loddon-Mallee region.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Data around unallocated cases is published in the Department of Human Services annual report which is tabled in Parliament and available at http://www.dhs.vic.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0010/480808/DHS-annual-Report-2009-2010.pdf.

Community services: child protection — funding

- 254. MR TARLAMIS** — To ask the Minister for Housing (for the Minister for Community Services): In relation to the 'Rewrite Tomorrow, One Child at a Time' program:

- (1) How much of the allocated \$3.8 million of funding for the program is new, additional funding for child protection.
- (2) What percentage of this funding was already allocated to Department of Human Services in the 2010 state budget.
- (3) How many new staff is the program aiming to recruit in the 2011–12 financial year.
- (4) How is the \$3.8 million being spent within the program.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

(1-2) Information on current and previous years' state budgets can be found at:

<http://www.budget.vic.gov.au/budget.html>

- (3) The program aims to recruit both to all current front-line child protection vacancies, and then to future vacancies that may arise.
- (4) Funding is being spent on one-on-one coaching for managers and team-leaders, graduate courses in child and family practice, regional retention strategies and on the child protection recruitment strategy.

Energy and resources: solar energy — feed-in tariff scheme

584. MR BARBER — To ask the Minister for Higher Education and Skills (for the Minister for Energy and Resources):

- (1) Under section 40FJ of the *Electricity Industry Act 2000*, on the first anniversary of the feed-in-tariff scheme —
 - (a) what was the number of qualifying solar energy generating facilities for each distribution licensee; and
 - (b) what was the aggregate installed or name plate generating capacity of qualifying solar energy generating facilities for each distribution licensee.
- (2) Has the minister, or the previous minister, requested that the retail and distribution licensees make the relevant information available to the independent reviewer under section 40NB(3) of the *Electricity Industry Act 2000*; if not, will the minister be making this request prior to 1 July 2011.
- (3) Across all of Victoria, what is the current installed or name-plate generating capacity of qualifying solar energy generating facilities under the premium feed in tariff scheme in MW.
- (4) What is the current estimated average cost per customer of electricity per year arising out of the operation of the premium solar feed-in tariff scheme.
- (5) On current information and projections, in which month and year is the department or minister anticipating the declared scheme capacity day under section 40FE of the *Electricity Industry Act 2000*.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) Details of the premium solar feed-in tariff uptake by the five distribution businesses as at 1 November 2010, as reported under section 40FJ of the *Electricity Industry Act 2000*, are as follows:
 - United Energy Distribution had 5326 qualifying solar generating facilities with an aggregate capacity of 7.977 megawatts (MW).
 - Jemena Networks had 2467 qualifying solar energy generating facilities with an aggregate capacity of 3.969 MW.

- Citipower had 1451 qualifying solar generating facilities with an aggregate capacity of 1.654 MW.
- Powercor had 7259 qualifying solar energy generating facilities with an aggregate capacity of 10.648 MW.
- SP AusNet had 9152 qualifying solar generating facilities with an aggregate capacity of 12.953 MW.

Total aggregated figures as at 1 November 2010 were 25,565 qualifying solar energy generating facilities with associated capacity of 37.201 MW.

- (2) Under section 40NM(3) of the *Electricity Industry Act 2000*, the minister must cause an independent review of the operation of the premium solar feed-in tariff scheme to take place by 30 June 2012, rather than 2011. As input into this review, electricity retailers and distributors were requested to report by the former Minister for Energy and Resources on the number of qualifying customers, the amount of qualifying generation and aggregate installed capacity by 1 July 2010. This information was provided at the time. The request also foreshadowed the reporting requirements for 1 July 2011. A further request will be sent to all retailers and distributors with regard to mid-2011 reporting.
- (3) Formal reporting of the take-up of the PFIT scheme is expected by July 1, 2011. The Department of Primary Industries monitors the scheme and will inform industry concerning activity under the scheme in terms of proximity to the cap.
- (4) Formal reporting of the take-up of the PFIT scheme is expected by July 1, 2011.
- (5) I am aware of the need to provide the business community, particularly solar panel installers, with certainty. The industry will be informed, with sufficient advance notice, concerning activity under the scheme in terms of proximity to the cap and any decision regarding a declared scheme capacity day.

Consumer affairs: Consumer Affairs Victoria — product safety inspections

592. MR PAKULA — To ask the Minister for Planning (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs): How many product safety inspections were undertaken by Consumer Affairs Victoria from 1 December 2010 to 31 March 2011.

ANSWER:

I am advised that:

The following table shows, for specified time frames, the number of product safety inspections undertaken by CAV, and the number of unsafe products seized that did not comply with product safety mandatory standards or were banned products:

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of the nationally coordinated inspection program, both CAV and the ACCC undertake inspections in Victoria focusing on different products subject to bans or mandatory standards. The products focused on by CAV since 1 January 2011 (as part of the national program agreed by all jurisdictions) included pedal bikes and beanbags. These are physically larger products with fewer units in the marketplace than products such as novelty lighters and small toys, accounting for fewer products seized in this period.

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Education: Maple Street and Laurel Street primary schools — amalgamation

608. MS BROAD — To ask the Minister for Higher Education and Skills (for the Minister for Education): In relation to the amalgamation of Maple Street and Laurel Street primary schools into one school at Golden Square, will funding be provided in the 2011–12 state budget to build a new school on the Maple Street site.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The department has recognised the needs of the Golden Square Primary School (GSPS) and the benefits that an improved facility will provide to the school community. A master plan for GSPS has been prepared in consultation with the school community.

As part of the Victorian Liberal Nationals Coalition Plan for Education, the government made a commitment to focus on upgrading government primary and secondary schools across the state. The policy commitment listed schools which would be included in the building program in the first term of government.

The government is aware that other schools are involved in planning for building projects as a result of the former government’s capital works processes. The government will consider the needs of these schools when determining the priorities for future capital works programs.

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ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

Please see the response to Question on Notice 608.

Education: Maple Street and Laurel Street primary schools — amalgamation

610. MS BROAD — To ask the Minister for Higher Education and Skills (for the Minister for Education): In relation to the amalgamation of Maple Street and Laurel Street primary schools into one school at Golden Square, is the minister aware that the Golden Square Primary School community has progressed with planning for a new school.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

Please see the response to Question on Notice 608.

Education: Maple Street and Laurel Street primary schools — amalgamation

- 611. MS BROAD** — To ask the Minister for Higher Education and Skills (for the Minister for Education): In relation to the amalgamation of Maple Street and Laurel Street primary schools into one school at Golden Square, has the minister met with the school community of Golden Square Primary School regarding this matter; if not, will he do so before the 2011–12 state budget.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

Please see the response to Question on Notice 608.