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ALP — Labor Party; ASP — Australian Sex Party;
DLP — Democratic Labour Party; Greens — Australian Greens;
LP — Liberal Party; Nats — The Nationals;
SFFP — Shooters, Fishers and Farmers Party; V1LJ — Vote 1 Local Jobs

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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.

Headings reflect the portfolio of the minister answering the question.

Tuesday, 25 October 2016

Consumer affairs, gaming and liquor regulation

5275. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation): In relation to multi-terminal gambling devices, including automated or semi-automated ‘table games’ whether virtual or based on an actual table game and which permit multiple users to place bets on the game using a computerised terminal:

- (1) how many are currently operating at Crown Casino;
- (2) when were these devices approved by VCGLR (or VCGR) for use at Crown Casino;
- (3) what games can be played on these devices;
- (4) how many connect to an actual table game;
- (5) how many operate electronic games;
- (6) are there any betting limits on these devices;
- (7) what is the ‘spin rate’ or the rate between games;
- (8) on what basis was approval of these devices granted;
- (9) what is the average loss per session incurred by users operating these devices at Crown Casino;
- (10) what is the average session length for users of these devices at Crown Casino;
- (11) what are the demographic characteristics of users of these devices in respect to gender, age and any other information available;
- (12) are these devices generally associated with greater risk to gambling patrons than other forms of gambling at Crown Casino or elsewhere;
- (13) have any applications been submitted by any pubs or clubs to install these devices; and
- (14) if so, which venue/s and how many devices.

ANSWER:

I am informed that there is limited evidence to indicate the specific risk posed by automatic table games compared to gaming machines or traditional table games. Data from the 2015 Victorian prevalence study indicates that the proportion of problem gamblers whose highest spend activity is casino table games decreased between from 11.21 per cent in 2008 to 3.88 per cent in 2014.

The Casino Control Act 1991 (the Act) requires the prior approval by the VCGLR of games and rules for games, gaming equipment and a system of internal controls (i.e. procedures). In assessing submissions for the introduction of automated table games, the Commission takes into account independent technical reports from an Accredited Testing Facility (ATF) and has regard to the objects of the Act. The ATF provides certification that the product has been tested against and is compliant with relevant legislation, standards, rules and procedures.

Games and rules are required to be fair to players and have integrity. Gaming equipment needs to have integrity, be auditable, and able to support the rules.

Crown Melbourne Limited (Crown Casino) operates 3 types of table games at the Melbourne Casino, which can be described as follows:

- Traditional table games: initiated by a dealer directly to the players sitting at the designated table;

- Semi-automated Table Games (SATGs): where the game is conducted by a live dealer. The players place bets at an electronic “player terminal” and witness the conduct of the game through a visual display rather than sitting at the table where the game is conducted;
- Fully-automated Table Games (FATGs): where the game is fully automated and conducted by a random number generator. As with SATGs, the players also place bets at an electronic “player terminal” and witness the conduct of the virtual game through a visual display.

As at 30 June 2016, Crown is operating 12 FATG tables and 12 SATG tables. The earliest form of a SATG was approved in 1999 while FATGs were first approved on 23 February 2010.

Approval was sought and granted for a multi-terminal game in 2008 for use in clubs and hotels. The device was installed in a small number of clubs and hotels but was later discontinued and removed from the venue. No further applications have been received. No SATGs or FATGs are currently operating in hotels or clubs.

Consumer affairs, gaming and liquor regulation

5276. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation): In relation to multi-terminal gambling devices, which are automated or semi-automated ‘table games’, whether virtual or based on an actual table game such as roulette, which permit multiple users to place bets on the game using a computerised terminal:

- (1) do any of these devices at Crown Casino permit users to gamble on more than one game concurrently;
- (2) if so, how many games concurrently;
- (3) are there any betting limits on these concurrent multi-game devices;
- (4) what is the ‘spin rate’ or the rate between games;
- (5) when were concurrent multi-game devices approved for use at the Casino;
- (6) on what basis was approval of these multi-game devices granted;
- (7) what is the average loss per session incurred by users operating these concurrent multi-game devices at Crown Casino;
- (8) what is the average session length for users of these concurrent multi-game devices Crown Casino;
- (9) what are the demographic characteristics of users of these multi-game devices in respect to gender, age and any other information available;
- (10) are these concurrent multi-game devices generally associated with greater risk to gambling patrons than other forms of gambling at Crown Casino or elsewhere;
- (11) have any applications been submitted by any pubs or clubs to install these concurrent multi game devices; and
- (12) if so, which venue/s and how many devices.

ANSWER:

I am informed that concurrent gaming on Semi-automated Table Games (SATG) was approved by the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation (VCGLR) on 20 April 2015 for a minimum 12 month period. Approval of these multi-game devices was based on assessing the equipment and rules in relation to fairness to players, integrity and the risk of problem gambling. The Commission is currently conducting an evaluation to assess whether the approval should continue.

Up to 150 SATG player terminals permit concurrent play and up to four games may be played concurrently. No applications have been submitted to the VCGLR for concurrent multi-game devices to be operated in clubs or hotels and no multi-game devices are being operated in clubs or hotels.

Consumer affairs, gaming and liquor regulation

5277. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation): In relation to all multi-terminal gambling devices, whether they be single game or concurrent multi-game devices, in approving their installation and use at Crown Casino:

- (1) what process was undertaken by the Victorian Commission for Gambling and Liquor Regulation (VCGLR);
- (2) what technical detail was considered by the VCGLR;
- (3) what research or inquiries were undertaken by VCGLR in determining the suitability, risk of harm, and likely effect on problem gamblers and problem gambling when undertaking the approval process for both single and multi-game devices;
- (4) was data provided by Crown Casino to the VCGLR during consideration of the approval process;
- (5) is approval of multi-game/concurrent devices for use at Crown Casino conditional, provisional or temporary;
 - (a) if so, on what grounds would full approval be granted for use of such devices;
- (6) is the VCGLR monitoring or evaluating the operation of these devices;
 - (a) If so, what data are being captured to permit evaluation; and
 - (b) If so, on what basis would VCGLR make any decisions around continued operation of these devices.

ANSWER:

I am advised that in assessing submissions for the introduction of specific automated table games, the Commission takes into account independent technical reports from an Accredited Testing Facility (ATF) and has regard to the objects of the Act. The ATF provides certification that the product has been tested against and is compliant with relevant legislation, standards, rules and procedures.

Devices were assessed against approved standards, procedures and applicable legislation.

Approval for multi-gaming on automated table games is ongoing. Concurrent gaming on semi-automated table games was approved by the VCGLR on 20 April 2015 for a minimum 12 month period. The Commission is currently conducting an evaluation to assess whether the approval should continue.

The Commission will make a decision on the ongoing approval of concurrent gaming taking into account relevant research, data and other information.

Consumer affairs, gaming and liquor regulation

5280. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Consumer Affairs, Gaming and Liquor Regulation): In relation to multi terminal gambling devices, including both automated or semi-automated ‘table games’ —

- (1) what is the minimum return to player rate; and
- (2) on devices where multiple games can be bet on concurrently, what is the minimum return to player rate on each game.

ANSWER:

Automated table games return a theoretical return to player that is the same as the return to player of the ordinary table game. This return is determined by the design of the table game (for example, how many numbers there are on a roulette wheel).

Corrections

5361. MR O'DONOHUE — To ask the Minister for Training and Skills (for the Minister for Corrections): In relation to community corrections orders: What was the number of people on community corrections orders between 1 January 2016 and 31 March 2016.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information you have requested is listed on the Corrections Victoria website as indicated in my response to 5359.

Corrections

6648. MS PENNICUIK — To ask the Minister for Corrections: In relation to the prison education program:

- (1) What statistics can be provided on the number and percentage of prisoners participating in education programs in prison for 2013-14, 2014-15, and 2015-2016.
- (2) What is the number and percentage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander prisoners participating in each of these periods.

ANSWER:

- (1) Figures are reported in the Report on Government Services each year.
- (2) Figures are reported at 30 June each financial year. 2015-16 figures are not yet available.

Corrections

6649. MS PENNICUIK — To ask the Minister for Corrections: As the caseload of Community Corrections Officers (CCO) has tripled in the last year what is the specific budget amount for 2016-17 for additional staff to deal with Community Corrections Orders and to what extent in terms of percentage or ratio is this expected to reduce the existing caseload for CCO staff.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- An additional \$201.4M over four years in output has been provided in the 2016-17 State Budget to meet increased growth in the number of community correction orders and reparation orders. \$36.7M of the funding allocated for the 2016-17 financial year is to meet the expected increase in court orders.
- The 2016-17 funding provides for an additional 157 staff to enhance rehabilitation of offenders, build workforce capacity and improve service delivery. This includes additional case management and court advice staff and the creation of a new senior case manager role. These additions will enable lower caseloads and a more intensive case management approach to offenders under supervision who are at the highest risk of reoffending.
- It is expected that case management caseloads will reduce progressively as new staff are introduced across the state.

Families and children

7026. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children in relation to the Category 1 incident data report for Child Protection and Family Services during Quarter 4, 2015-16 (April, May and June 2016)—Assaults: of the 212 assaults recorded —

- (1) how many were sexual assaults;

- (2) how many were physical assaults;
- (3) how many were rapes;
- (4) how many were client to client assaults;
- (5) how many were client to staff assaults;
- (6) how many sexual assaults were committed by staff on a client;
- (7) how many assaults involved a child under 12;
- (8) how many assaults involved a child under 12 and a teen over 16 years;
- (9) what was the age of the youngest child assaulted;
- (10) how many clients received counselling as a result of an assault;
- (11) how many assaults were reported to the police;
- (12) how many times was an ambulance called or external medical assistance required as a result of an assault;
- (13) how many staff were referred to the Suitability Panel as a result of an assault; and
- (14) how many staff were disqualified as a result of an investigation by the Suitability Panel.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Category One incidents are the most serious incidents and include incidents such as death of clients, allegations of physical or sexual assault and serious client behavioural issues that impact on client or staff safety.

The Andrews Labor Government has published quarterly data of Category One incidents on the Department's website for the first time, which did not occur under the previous Coalition Government. Our government has also legislated to provide all Category One incidents to the Commission for Children and Young People to ensure adequate oversight of these matters.

Data relating to assaults is available in the Commission for Children and Young People's Annual Report.

Incident reporting data is a snapshot in time of allegations made by clients of the Department of Health and Human Services. They are recorded and remain as incidents regardless of whether further information becomes available to substantiate or disprove an event. Incident reports include disclosures of historic abuse and assault that were alleged to have occurred before a client entered state care.

Where there is an allegation, it is met with a strong response that includes medical attention (should this be required), a report to police if it involves an allegation of physical or sexual abuse or a client is a victim of a crime, and counselling and support being offered to all parties.

The department has an established process of conducting Quality of Care reviews for all category one incident reports that concern the quality of care children are receiving in out of home care. A Quality of Care review may result in a referral to the Secretary of the Department for consideration of an independent investigation and potentially for referral to the Suitability Panel. While these processes are taking place the numbers of staff disqualified by the Suitability Panel cannot be determined.

Families and children

7028. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children in relation to the Category 1 incident data report for Child Protection and Family Services during Quarter 3, 2015-16 (January, February and March 2016)—Client deaths: of the 10 client deaths —

- (1) what was the result of each death;
- (2) how many deaths were suspicious;
- (3) what were the ages of the 10 children who died;
- (4) how many deaths were indigenous children;

- (5) were any of the deaths unborn children;
- (6) are any of the deaths the subject of a Coronial inquiry;
- (7) is the Commissioner for Children and Young People (CCYP) investigating all ten deaths; and
- (8) when will the investigations by the CCYP be completed.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The death of any child is a tragedy.

The majority of deaths are of children less than two years of age and these deaths include premature births, sudden infant death syndrome and known congenital medical conditions including those they were born with.

To the best of the Department's knowledge, Coronial Inquests have not been commenced for any of these deaths.

The deaths of children who were known to child protection in the 12 months preceding their death are reviewed by the Commission for Children and Young People.

As the Member should be well aware by now, the Commissioner for Children and Young People is an independent statutory body and any investigation undertaken by the Commission is a matter for the Commission.

Data relating to client deaths can be found in the Commission for Children and Young People's Annual Report.

Families and children

7029. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children in relation to the Category 1 incident data report for Child Protection and Family Services during Quarter 4, 2015-16 (April, May and June 2016)—Client deaths: of the 10 client deaths —

- (1) what was the result of each death;
- (2) how many deaths were suspicious;
- (3) what were the ages of the ten children who died;
- (4) how many deaths were indigenous children;
- (5) were any of the deaths unborn children;
- (6) are any of the deaths the subject of a Coronial inquiry;
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ANSWER:

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Data relating to client deaths can be found in the Commission for Children and Young People's Annual Report.

Health

7067. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by the Contraceptive and Counselling Clinic in Monash Health in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7068. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by the Pregnancy Advisory Service in the Royal Women’s Hospital in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7069. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by the Fertility Control Clinic in East Melbourne in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7070. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by the Hampton Park Women’s Health Care in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7071. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by the Dr Marie Services in East St Kilda in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7072. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by the Dr Marie Services in East Melbourne in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7073. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by the Dr Marie Services in Croydon in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7074. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by Monash Family Planning in Clayton in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7075. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by The Women's Clinic in Dandenong in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Health

7076. DR CARLING-JENKINS — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the number of abortions performed by Family Planning Victoria in Box Hill in each of the calendar years from 2008-15:

- (1) how many abortions are performed between 20-24 weeks pregnancy;
- (2) how many abortions are performed between 24-28 weeks pregnancy;
- (3) how many abortions are performed between 28-32 weeks pregnancy;
- (4) how many abortions are performed between 32-36 weeks pregnancy; and
- (5) how many abortions are performed from 36+ weeks pregnancy.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

The information requested by Dr Carling-Jenkins is not disaggregated in this manner.

Emergency services

7147. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by Ambulance Victoria and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President’s ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding ‘fishing’ questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 ‘template’ questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7148. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Metropolitan Ambulance Service (MAS) and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President’s ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding ‘fishing’ questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 ‘template’ questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7149. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by Rural Ambulance Victoria (RAV) and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President’s ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding ‘fishing’ questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 ‘template’ questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7150. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Chief Examiner and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7151. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Country Fire Authority and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7152. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Country Fire Authority Appeals Commission and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7153. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7154. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Fire Services Commissioner and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7155. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Metropolitan Fire and Emergency Services Board and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7156. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Metropolitan Fire Brigade (Melbourne) and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7157. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Victorian Emergency Management Council and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7158. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by the Victorian State Emergency Service Authority and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Emergency services

7159. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Emergency Services): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by Emergency Management Victoria and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Health

7167. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Between 1 January 2015 and 30 June 2016 how many ergonomic chairs have been purchased by Health Purchasing Victoria and what is the total cost.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last sitting week there were more than 2100 questions asked from the opposition alone.

I would refer the member to the President's ruling from 10 December 2015 regarding 'fishing' questions and ask the member reconsider the priority of the more than 100 'template' questions she alone asked across 20 portfolios in one sitting week.

Ambulance services

7234. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Ambulance Services): In relation to the vacancy created by the departure of Greg Sassella from Ambulance Victoria 12 November 2014, can the Minister indicate:

- (a) whether or not someone has been appointed as a permanent replacement to Greg Sassella;
- (b) the process to find a replacement; and
- (c) why the process to find a replacement has taken so long.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Associate Professor Tony Walker ASM was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Ambulance Victoria, effective 1 July 2016.

The Board of Ambulance Victoria was responsible for the process to appoint the permanent Chief Executive Officer. It undertook a process to attract a diverse and talented field, to enable the Ambulance Victoria Board to appoint the most suitable person to the role.

In December 2014, an Administrator was appointed to replace the board of Ambulance Victoria to address the crisis left by the former Liberal Government.

A new Board was appointed on 1 December 2015, chaired by Mr Ken Lay, who then assumed the responsibility to undertake a selection process to appoint a permanent Chief Executive Officer.

Attorney-General

7277. **MRS PEULICH** — To ask the Minister for Training and Skills (for the Attorney-General): Why do the details of the appointment of Chief Justice Marilyn Warren AC to the Judicial College of Victoria fail to appear on the Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website.

ANSWER:

The Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website is regularly updated to reflect the current status of the board.

Attorney-General

7278. **MRS PEULICH** — To ask the Minister for Training and Skills (for the Attorney-General): Why do the details of the appointment of Justice Gregory Garde AO RFD to the Judicial College of Victoria fail to appear on the Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website.

ANSWER:

The Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website is regularly updated to reflect the current status of the board.

Attorney-General

7279. **MRS PEULICH** — To ask the Minister for Training and Skills (for the Attorney-General): Why do the details of the appointment of Justice Peter Kidd to the Judicial College of Victoria fail to appear on the Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website.

ANSWER:

The Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website is regularly updated to reflect the current status of the board.

Attorney-General

7280. **MRS PEULICH** — To ask the Minister for Training and Skills (for the Attorney-General): Why do the details of the appointment of Peter Lauritsen to the Judicial College of Victoria fail to appear on the Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website.

ANSWER:

The Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website is regularly updated to reflect the current status of the board.

Treasurer

7281. **MRS PEULICH** — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Treasurer): Why do the details of the appointment of Dr Huw Davies to the State Electricity Commission of Victoria fail to appear on the Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website.

ANSWER:

The Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website is regularly updated to reflect the current status of the board.

Health

7284. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): In relation to the Council of Board Chairs, the Public Board Appointments Victorian Government website lists 24 members of the Council, 23 of whom are listed without their names or the details of their appointments:

- (1) who currently sits on the Council;
- (2) what is the starting and ending dates of their terms; and
- (3) why has this information not been made publicly available on the website.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

- (1) The Council of Board Chairs (the Council) is made up of the Chairpersons of:
 - each of the 19 public health services as listed in Schedule 5 of the Health Services Act 1988;
 - each of the three (3) denominational services as listed in Schedule 2 of the Health Services Act 1988; and
 - Ambulance Victoria.

It is the positions that are appointed rather than individuals to ensure if the Chairperson changes, the new Chairperson would now sit on the Council. I can provide a list of current members if that would be of use to the member, noting that the identity of the Chair of each of these services is publicly available.

- (2) Due to the appointments to the Council being positions rather than individuals, the appointments are perpetual. The only exception to this is the appointment of the Chair of the Council. The Chair of the Council is selected from the membership of the Council and is appointed for a three year term.
- (3) Due to the Council being made up of the chairs of each health service, as outlined in the answer to question one, the names of members of the Council are publicly available. The chair of the Council is a Governor in Council appointment. The current chair is Dr Joanna Flynn and this information is publicly available.

Emergency services

7468. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Small Business, Innovation and Trade (for the Minister for Emergency Services): What plans does the government have for the future use of the old CFA building in Eltham.

ANSWER:

The CFA is still considering all its options for the site.

Families and children

7469. MS CROZIER — To ask the Minister for Families and Children: In relation to intervention orders taken out against children in out-of-home care: How many intervention orders did DHHS workers take out against children in residential care units who posed a threat or intimidated staff and other residents during:

- (a) January–March 2015;
- (b) April–June 2015;
- (c) July–September 2015;
- (d) October–December 2015;
- (e) January–March 2016; and
- (f) April–June 2016.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

This information is contained in individual client records. A manual review of every client record would be required to provide this information.

The Member recently provided irresponsible and inaccurate comment in the media about this issue. Intervention orders are more frequently taken out on behalf of children in out of home care in order to keep them safe from violence from family members or sexual exploitation.

Education

7485. MS BATH — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Education): In relation to the Government's breakfast club program:

- (1) can you confirm if schools residing in areas affected by the current dairy crisis are able to have their Student Family Occupation classifications (SFO) reviewed to enable participation in the breakfast club program;
- (2) what source of data has been used to determine a school's SFO; and
- (3) what is the current distribution of the program across the 500 disadvantaged schools within Victoria.

ANSWER:

I am informed as follows:

The Andrews Labor Government's School Breakfast Clubs Program is helping address the damage done to Victorian schools and school communities by the previous Liberal-National Government, which scrapped Free Fruit Friday and the Education Maintenance Allowance which was available to support school initiated breakfast clubs.

The Andrews Government has delivered on its election commitment and provided \$13.7 million to Foodbank, the largest welfare food agency in Australia, to establish breakfast clubs at 500 of the most disadvantaged Victorian government primary schools.

Schools were identified using the Student Family Occupation Index (SFO) for 2015 to participate in the program over 2016-18.

The SFO index draws on data regarding parental occupation, which is collected each year as part of the August census.

There are now 500 schools participating in the Schools Breakfast Club program. Participating schools SFO ranges from the most disadvantaged to the least disadvantaged.

If any participating schools decide to withdraw from the Breakfast Club program during 2017 the place will be offered to the next eligible school.

Furthermore, Pactum Dairy is now a partner in the program, which will ensure that all milk delivered to schools as part of the Schools Breakfast Club program is sourced from Victorian dairy farmers.

This partnership provides much needed support to Victorian dairy farmers, with up to 400 000 litres of milk expected to be delivered to schools each year.

On 24 May 2016 the Andrews Labor Government, in collaboration with Victorian dairy industry leaders, announced an \$11.4 million support package for dairy farmers. This incorporates a specific \$1.5 million government assistance package to ensure there are more services available to dairy farmers experiencing emotional and financial stress.

As part of the Andrews Government's response, \$4.5 million was allocated to support affected farming communities.

On 3 August 2016 the Andrews Government announced the provision of a further \$6.7 million to support dairy farmers and impacted communities.

Energy, environment and climate change

7489. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change):

- (1) what are the names of the 16 parks and reserves across Victoria where traditional owner settlement agreements and joint management partnerships are in place;
- (2) what was the financial contribution from Parks Victoria towards these agreements in:
 - (a) 2014–15
 - (b) 2015–16.

ANSWER:

A list of the parks and reserves with joint management agreements in place is available on the Parks Victoria website.

As the Member would be aware, Parks Victoria does not provide direct financial contributions to the joint management agreements themselves. However, Parks Victoria contributes significant staff resources while partnering with Traditional Owners.

Energy, environment and climate change

7492. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change):

- (1) how many Parks Victoria employees are trained in firearms usage;
- (2) how many firearms are in the asset registry of Parks Victoria; and
- (3) between 4 December 2014 and 13 September 2016, how many firearms have been reported lost, stolen or missing.

ANSWER:

For security reasons, firearms are not listed on Parks Victoria's broader assets system but are maintained on a separate system that is reconciled against records of Victoria Police annually.

Parks Victoria reported no firearms lost, stolen or missing between 4 December 2014 and 13 September 2016.

Energy, environment and climate change

7494. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): With regards to Albert Park, how many event permits were issued in 2014–15.

ANSWER:

Sixty-seven.

Energy, environment and climate change

7505. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): What was the financial contribution of Parks Victoria towards the Scarred Tree protection works in Plenty Gorge in:

- (1) 2014–15; and
- (2) 2015–16.

ANSWER:

No financial contribution was made by Parks Victoria in this period. However, Parks Victoria through its various operational staff routinely meet with Wurundjeri representatives to discuss ongoing cultural heritage management matters.

Energy, environment and climate change

7507. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): What were the dates and locations that Parks Victoria delivered community engagement programs, aimed at promoting fire safety behaviour and community education in:

- (1) 2014–15; and
- (2) 2015–16.

ANSWER:

Parks Victoria supports the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) in the planning and delivery of community engagement activities associated with the Department's fuel management program and other public land management issues.

Energy, environment and climate change

7508. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): As of 13 September 2016, what was the financial expenditure to repair and replace the road and walking track network in the You Yangs Regional Park and the Deddick Trail in the Snowy River National Park, damaged due the February 2015 storms.

ANSWER:

As a result of the 17-22 February 2015 storm event, You Yangs Regional Park and Snowy River National Park incurred damages to a number of assets.

You Yangs Regional Park incurred damages to roads, carparks and trails. To return these assets to their pre-storm condition, \$52 814 was allocated on walking tracks, \$41 975 on roads and carparks, and a further \$41 600 on mountain bike tracks.

Deddick Trail, Snowy River National Park, incurred damages to its embankment slip. The contract sum for the repair of the embankment slip and reinstatement of the landslide was \$93 330 inclusive of contract management services.

Energy, environment and climate change

7511. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2016, how many bookings have been recorded for the Bugiga hike-in campsite.

ANSWER:

Parks Victoria recorded 599 bookings for the Bugiga hike-in campsite between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2016.

Energy, environment and climate change

7512. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): In regard to basic campsites in parks:

- (1) what was the list of the 70 campgrounds within the Parks Victoria estate that fees applied to; and
- (2) how many bookings were made between 4 December 2014 and 31 March 2015 for each campground site.

ANSWER:

In this period there were more than 70 campgrounds that fees applied to, which can be viewed online at www.parkweb.vic.gov.au/visit/book-your-stay. The basic fee structure for these campgrounds can be viewed online at www.parkweb.vic.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0003-630642/Fee-schedule.pdf.

The total number of booking made between 4 December 2014 and 31 March 2015 was 6373.

Energy, environment and climate change

7523. MRS PEULICH — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): As of 13 September 2016, what is the list of Parks Victoria managed piers and jetties that have an expected life of less than four years (to 13 September 2020).

ANSWER:

A pier or jetty has a range of component elements from small to large, which all have differing residual life spans.

Health

7538. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Yea and District Memorial Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Yea and District Memorial Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;

- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

Money saved on energy bills will repay the initial investment in just five years and will continue to save energy for years to come.

The specifics of the projects to be implemented under the GGB Program is yet to be confirmed, and will be the subject of a number of tender processes over the coming year. Further information will be made available on the DTF website as each project progresses and the scope (costs, savings, technologies, etc) is established.

The GGB Program will save an estimated \$100 million and proves that greenhouse gas abatement does not need to be expensive.

Health

7539. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Alexandra District Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Alexandra District Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

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The GGB Program will save an estimated \$100 million and proves that greenhouse gas abatement does not need to be expensive.

Health

7540. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Alpine Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Alpine Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria's freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

Money saved on energy bills will repay the initial investment in just five years and will continue to save energy for years to come.

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The GGB Program will save an estimated \$100 million and proves that greenhouse gas abatement does not need to be expensive.

Health

7541. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Bairnsdale Regional Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Bairnsdale Regional Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

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The specifics of the projects to be implemented under the GGB Program is yet to be confirmed, and will be the subject of a number of tender processes over the coming year. Further information will be made available on the DTF website as each project progresses and the scope (costs, savings, technologies, etc) is established.

The GGB Program will save an estimated \$100 million and proves that greenhouse gas abatement does not need to be expensive.

Health

7542. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Ballarat Health Services:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Ballarat Health Services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria's freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

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The GGB Program will save an estimated \$100 million and proves that greenhouse gas abatement does not need to be expensive.

Health

7543. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Barwon Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;

- (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Barwon Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria's freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

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Health

7544. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Bass Coast Regional Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Bass Coast Regional Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

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Health

7545. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Beaufort and Skipton Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Beaufort and Skipton Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
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Health

7546. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Beechworth Health Services:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Beechworth Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and

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Health

7547. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Benalla Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Benalla Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7548. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Bendigo Health Care Group:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Bendigo Health Care Group.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7549. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Boort District Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Boort District Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
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Health

7550. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Casterton Memorial Hospital:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Casterton Memorial Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria's freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
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Health

7551. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Castlemaine Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;

- (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Castlemaine Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria's freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

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Health

7552. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Central Gippsland Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Central Gippsland Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

Money saved on energy bills will repay the initial investment in just five years and will continue to save energy for years to come.

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Health

7553. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Cobram District Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Cobram District Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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The GGB Program will save an estimated \$100 million and proves that greenhouse gas abatement does not need to be expensive.

Health

7554. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Cohuna District Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Cohuna District Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7555. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Colac Area Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Colac Area Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7556. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Djerriwarrh Health Services:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Djerriwarrh Health Services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7557. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Dunmunkle Health Services:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Dunmunkle Health Services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
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Health

7558. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to East Grampians Health Services:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at East Grampians Health Services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7559. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to East Wimmera Health Services:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;

- (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at East Wimmera Health Services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7560. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Echuca Regional Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Echuca Regional Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7561. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Edenhope and District Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Edenhope and District Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

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- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7562. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Gippsland Southern Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Gippsland Southern Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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Health

7563. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Goulburn Valley Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Goulburn Valley Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

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- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7564. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Heathcote Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Heathcote Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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Health

7565. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Hepburn Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Hepburn Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

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Health

7566. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Hesse Rural Health Service:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Hesse Rural Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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Health

7567. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Heywood Rural Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;

- (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Heywood Rural Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria's freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

Money saved on energy bills will repay the initial investment in just five years and will continue to save energy for years to come.

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Health

7568. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Inglewood and District Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Inglewood and District Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7569. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Kerang District Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Kerang District Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
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Health

7570. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Kilmore and District Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Kilmore and District Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7571. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Kooweerup Regional Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Kooweerup Regional Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7572. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Kyabram and District Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Kyabram and District Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7573. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Kyneton District Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Kyneton District Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
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Health

7574. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Latrobe Regional Hospital:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Latrobe Regional Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

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- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7575. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Lorne Community Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;

- (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Lorne Community Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7576. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Maldon Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Maldon Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7577. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Maryborough District Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Maryborough District Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7578. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Melton Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Melton Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7579. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Melton Base Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Mildura Base Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7580. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Moyne Health Services:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Moyne Health Services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7581. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Nathalia District Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Nathalia District Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

Money saved on energy bills will repay the initial investment in just five years and will continue to save energy for years to come.

The specifics of the projects to be implemented under the GGB Program is yet to be confirmed, and will be the subject of a number of tender processes over the coming year. Further information will be made available on the DTF website as each project progresses and the scope (costs, savings, technologies, etc) is established.

The GGB Program will save an estimated \$100 million and proves that greenhouse gas abatement does not need to be expensive.

Health

7582. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Northeast Health Wangaratta:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Northeast Health Wangaratta.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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The GGB Program will save an estimated \$100 million and proves that greenhouse gas abatement does not need to be expensive.

Health

7583. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Numurkah District Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;

- (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Numurkah District Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria's freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
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Health

7584. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Omeo District Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Omeo District Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

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Health

7585. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Orbost Regional Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Orbost Regional Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
- replacing all of Victoria’s freeway lighting with efficient and long lasting LED technology; and
- installing solar power and highly-efficient LED lighting in hundreds of Victorian schools and regional healthcare facilities.

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Health

7586. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Otway Health and Community Services:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Otway Health and Community Services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7587. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Portland District Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Portland District Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7588. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Robinvale District Health Services:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Robinvale District Health Services.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7589. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Rochester and Elmore District Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Rochester and Elmore District Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7590. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Rural Northwest Health:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Rural Northwest Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

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- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7591. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Seymour Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;

- (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Seymour Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

The Government will reboot the program with a \$33 million investment over the next two years to save energy and reduce greenhouse emissions across a number of government buildings and infrastructure. This will include:

- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7592. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to South Gippsland Hospital:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at South Gippsland Hospital.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

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Health

7593. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to South West Healthcare:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at South West Healthcare.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

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Health

7594. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Stawell Regional Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Stawell Regional Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

Last month the Andrews Labor Government reinstated the award winning Greener Government Buildings (GGB) Program which was scrapped under the former Coalition Government.

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- installing new lighting technologies and upgrading heating and cooling systems at Gordon TAFE in Geelong, and Peninsula Health facilities, including the Frankston Hospital;
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Health

7595. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Swan Hill District Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Swan Hill District Health.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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Health

7596. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Tallangatta Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
 - (e) how many tonnes of greenhouse gases does the Government estimate will be abated each calendar year as a consequence of the completion of the installation at the facility/facilities;
 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Tallangatta Health Service.

ANSWER:

I am informed that:

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Health

7597. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Terang and Mortlake Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
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 - (f) what ‘avoided capital costs’ for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Terang and Mortlake Health Service.

ANSWER:

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Health

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- (1) With regard to Timboon and District Healthcare Service:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
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 - (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Timboon and District Healthcare Service.

ANSWER:

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Health

7599. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Upper Murray Health and Community Services:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
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- (f) what 'avoided capital costs' for the facility/facilities will arise as a result of this initiative; and
- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Upper Murray Health and Community Services.

ANSWER:

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Health

7600. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to West Gippsland Healthcare Group:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
 - (d) what are the anticipated operational cost savings for the facilities/facilities over five years;
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- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at West Gippsland Healthcare Group.

ANSWER:

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Health

7601. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to West Wimmera Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
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- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at West Wimmera Health Services.

ANSWER:

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Health

7602. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Western District Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
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- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Western District Health Service.

ANSWER:

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Health

7603. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Wimmera Health Care Group:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
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- (2) the Government’s announcement refers to ‘creating jobs’ as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Wimmera Health Care Group.

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Health

7604. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government's announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Yarram and District Health Service:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
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- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Yarram and District Health Service.

ANSWER:

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Health

7605. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Yarrawonga Health:
 - (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
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ANSWER:

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Health

7606. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Families and Children (for the Minister for Health): Regarding the Government’s announcement on 22 August 2016 of the re-instatement of the Greener Government Buildings program, and specifically the installation of solar power in regional health care facilities.

- (1) With regard to Yea and District Memorial Hospital:

- (a) is it proposed to install solar power at any facilities operated by this organisation;
 - (b) if so, where is the facility or where are the facilities located;
 - (c) what is the anticipated cost of the installation at this facility/facilities;
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- (2) the Government's announcement refers to 'creating jobs' as an outcome of the Greener Government Buildings program, how many jobs will be created as a result of this initiative at Yea and District Memorial Hospital.

ANSWER:

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Wednesday, 26 October 2016

Roads and road safety

5281. MS HARTLAND — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): Broken down by direction of traffic, what is the current daily traffic volumes on the following roads —

- (a) Dynon Road, West Melbourne;
- (b) Dudley Street, West Melbourne;
- (c) Wurundjeri Way, Docklands;
- (d) Hawke Street, West Melbourne;
- (e) Montague Street, South Melbourne;
- (f) Victoria Street, West Melbourne;
- (g) Queensbury Street, North Melbourne;
- (h) La Trobe Street, Melbourne;
- (i) Spencer Street, Melbourne;
- (j) Lonsdale Street, Melbourne;
- (k) Bourke Street, Melbourne;
- (l) Flinders Street, Melbourne;
- (m) Collins Street, Melbourne;
- (n) Peel Street, Melbourne; and
- (o) Royal Parade, Parkville.

ANSWER:

Daily traffic volumes on these roads vary greatly depending on road conditions, weather and any works or upgrades.

Roads and road safety

7454. MS LOVELL — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): Shepparton functions as a major regional city, with 2 major highways intersecting in the centre of the CBD. North/South traffic is currently served by an alternative route which diverts heavy transports to the east of the city. Many interstate transports-over 150 have depots in the eastern Industrial sector. Will the Minister please advise of any proposed works to improve safety on the alternative route in the short term and any considerations being made to accommodate this eastern destination traffic in the long term.

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Northern Victoria for raising this issue concerning the importance of the regional road network for travel in and around the developing regional centre of Shepparton.

Funding totalling to \$500 000 has been made available for planning improvements along the Shepparton Alternative Route. A roundabout at the Midland Highway and the Shepparton Alternative Route has recently been completed to improve access at this important junction. Planning work for the remainder of this route is underway.

Public transport

7455. MS LOVELL — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Public Transport): In regards to the Shepparton to Tocumwal rail line:

- (1) what is the number of culverts between Numurkah and Wunghnu; and
- (2) what are the dimensions of each of the culverts situated between Numurkah and Wunghnu.

ANSWER:

(1) There are five culverts between Numurkah and Wunghnu.

(2) The diameter of each of the culverts is:

- Single pipe at 675mm;
- Single pipe at 750mm;
- Single pipe at 375mm;
- Single pipe at 525mm; and
- Double pipes at 450mm.

Roads and road safety

7464. MS WOOLDRIDGE — To ask the Minister for Agriculture (for the Minister for Roads and Road Safety): What is the latest origin to destination data for the following roads in the Eltham/Greensborough area:

- (a) Bolton Street;
- (b) Main Road;
- (c) Fitzsimmons Lane;
- (d) Diamond Creek Road;
- (e) Rosanna Road; and
- (f) Yan Yean Road.

ANSWER:

The Andrews Labor Government is upgrading Bolton Street between Main Road and Bridge Street to improve traffic flow, safety and accessibility. Information about the proposed options was available at community consultations held in June this year.

Industrial relations

7608. MS SPRINGLE — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Industrial Relations): In relation to asylum seekers who immediately lose their rights to work, to access Medicare and to access any form of federal financial support through Centrelink when their refugee applications are rejected by the federal Department of Immigration, which invariably leads to an underground cash economy where asylum seekers may be exploited by unscrupulous employers, such as the Tamil asylum seekers we have heard about who are currently working for \$5 an hour in a Dandenong factory. What is the Andrews Labor Government doing to protect the labour rights of exploited asylum seekers.

ANSWER:

Laws and regulations relating to the working rights and other social security protections for refugees and asylum seekers are a Commonwealth responsibility, and I encourage you to contact the Hon Peter Dutton MP, the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection on this matter.

The Victorian Government is concerned about the exploitation of workers. In 2015, the Victorian Government established an independent inquiry into labour hire and insecure work. The inquiry investigated the links between worker exploitation and labour hire companies, insecure work, sham contracts and the abuse of visas to avoid minimum workplace standards. The inquiry conducted 17 days of public hearings across Victoria, including a hearing in Dandenong, and heard evidence of exploitative behaviour and widespread underpayment of wages.

The final report was handed to the Victorian Government on 31 August 2016 and has made a number of recommendations which are currently being considered by the Government.

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Thursday, 27 October 2016

Energy, environment and climate change

7509. **MRS PEULICH** — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): between 1 July 2015 and 30 June 2016, how many bookings were recorded for the Falls to Hotham Alpine Crossing.

ANSWER:

The Member has already asked this question (LC 7490).

Energy, environment and climate change

7521. **MRS PEULICH** — To ask the Special Minister of State (for the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change): As of 13 September 2016 or the last audit condition report:

- (1) what percentage of priority assets are in an very poor to average condition; and
- (2) what is the complete list of priority assets that fall within these conditions.

ANSWER:

(1) As of 31 August 2016, 39.15% of priority assets were deemed to be in average condition, 6.24% in poor condition and 0.76% in very poor condition.

(2) The list of these assets by asset category is as follows:

- Building
- Carparks
- Cross-over
- Furniture
- Infrastructure
- Land
- Marine Assets
- Roads
- Staircase/walkway
- Structure
- Trails
- Utilities - Electrical
- Utilities - Energy
- Utilities - Water
- Utilities - Water & Waste.