

ILUKA RESOURCES - CAPEL WETLANDS CENTRE

1179. Hon BARRY HOUSE to the minister representing the Minister for Education and Training:

In relation to Iluka Resources' Capel Wetlands Centre, I ask -

- (1) Is the minister aware of the educational value of this facility, with more than 23 education institutions involving 2 000 students using it in the last year?
- (2) Is the minister also aware of the pending closure of this facility?
- (3) Has the government been approached to augment Iluka Resources' generous sponsorship over the years in order to keep the facility open?
- (4) If so, what commitments have been considered or have been made?

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH replied:

I thank the member for his question.

- (1) The minister is aware of one school that accesses the Iluka Capel Wetlands Centre; however, he has information about neither the quality of the service provided by this centre nor how the experience is integrated into the school curriculum.
- (2)-(3) No.
- (4) Not applicable.