

EMERGENCY SERVICES LEVY MANAGEMENT AND DISTRIBUTION —
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE — FERGUSON REVIEW RECOMMENDATION

712. Hon RICK MAZZA to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to the “Report of the Special Inquiry into the January 2016 Waroona Fire” by Euan Ferguson and in particular to volume 2, appendix 3, recommendation 48, which reviews the status of a previous review recommendation that —

The State Government move the responsibility for the management and distribution of the Emergency Services Levy to the Department of Finance.

I refer also to the agency comment that it was determined that the Department of Finance was not best placed in terms of functional expertise to undertake this role.

- (1) What functional expertise in terms of responsibility for the management and distribution of the emergency services levy could be lacking within the Department of Finance?
- (2) Who was responsible for making that determination?

Hon PETER COLLIER replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(2) The government will consider these matters as part of its response to the “Report of the Special Inquiry into the January 2016 Waroona Fire”.