

DISABILITY SERVICES COMMISSION, APPLICATIONS FOR SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION

356. Dr E. Constable to the Minister for Disability Services

I refer to the answer to Legislative Assembly question on notice No. 3 of 2005, and ask -

- (a) will the Minister table a copy of the letter that unsuccessful applicants for supported accommodation receive from the Disability Services Commission; and
 - (i) if not, why not;
- (b) of the 240 people who applied for supported accommodation funding in the last round of allocations, how many applicants fell into each of the following age groups -
 - (i) 0-10;
 - (ii) 11-19;
 - (iii) 20-29;
 - (iv) 30-39;
 - (v) 40-49;
 - (vi) 50-59;
 - (vii) 60-69; and
 - (viii) 70 +;
- (c) how many of the 30 applicants who were successful with their application for funding were applying for their first out-of-home placement;
- (d) of the 30 applicants who were successful with their application for funding, how many were already in an accommodation placement but received additional funding to allow them to stay in their placement;
- (e) how many disability support services have out-of-home respite for people with high support needs;
- (f) are any of the services in (e) likely to close their doors over the next 12 months; and
- (g) of the 206 applicants who were unsuccessful in securing funding, how many are able to gain access to the following assistance -
 - (i) Commonwealth carer support services; and
 - (ii) Commonwealth-funded emergency respite services?

Mr R.C. KUCERA replied:

- (a) A copy of both the letter templates for unsuccessful applicants in the latest funding round are tabled for your reference. See Attachment 1 and 2. [See paper 764.]
 - (i) Not applicable.
- (b) The information provided relates to the last funding round as requested (June 2005 funding round).

AGE GROUP of PWD	APPLICANTS
0-10	2
11-19	37
20-29	54
30-39	67
40-49	51
50-59	29
60-69	10
70+	0
TOTAL APPLICANTS	250

Please note that the applicant is deemed to be the person with the disability not the person submitting the application where that person is not the person with the disability.

(c)-(d) ASF FUNDED APPLICANTS	NUMBER	OF APPLICANTS
Applying for first accommodation placement	26	
Applying for additional funding to maintain existing accommodation	5	

placement

Total funded 1st Round 2005/2006

31

- (e) 51 service providers provide out of home respite for people with high support needs.
- (f) The Commission is not aware of any.
- (g) The Commission has no access to data to determine who has been able to access Commonwealth carer and respite services.