

PUBLIC SECTOR — STAFFING

247. Hon SUE ELLERY to the parliamentary secretary representing the Treasurer:

I refer to the Treasurer's media statement of 3 February 2009 titled "Cap on public sector workforce announced", which states that the "all-up number for general government agencies is 99 155 FTEs"; this is in reference to the cap —

- (1) How was that figure calculated?
- (2) What component of the cap of 99 155 FTEs is allocated to the Department for Child Protection?

Hon BARRY HOUSE replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) The figure was calculated as the FTE estimate for 2008-09 and was published in the 2008-09 *Budget Statements* for appropriation-funded general government sector agencies and adjusted for the FTE impact of the government's election commitments and other policy decisions made by the government in the lead-up to the 2008-09 midyear review.
- (2) It is 1 822 FTEs.