

TRANSPORT — THIRD PARTY ASSESSOR INVESTIGATION

138. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:

- (1) In relation to the 6 July 2017 article in *The West Australian* entitled, *Truckies suspended in probe of licences*, can the Minister advise when the Corruption and Crime Commission commenced its investigation into third party assessors?
- (2) When did the Department of Transport become aware that licences were being issued without proper assessment, and how did this occur?
- (3) What proper processes have been put in place to ensure that this failure of policy and process by the Department of Transport is not repeated?
- (4) Has the Auditor General been consulted to scrutinise the validity of new processes?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?

Hon Stephen Dawson replied:

- (1) The Department of Transport (DoT) notified the Corruption and Crime Commission (CCC) of its suspicions on 11 January 2017.
- (2) Following a joint investigation by DoT and the CCC. The investigation is ongoing.
- (3) The current systems and processes identified anomalies which were acted upon and referred to the CCC. Furthermore, strengthening of contractual provisions dealing with external assessment providers; increased and enhanced analytical and risk intelligence resources and systems; and an enhanced auditing regime have been implemented.
- (4) No.
- (5) DoT is continuously reviewing and enhancing its governance procedures. This has included four audits.