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HOMELESSNESS — ALLOCATED FUNDING

116. Hon STEVE MARTIN to the minister representing the Minister for Housing:

I refer to the \$2.6 billion figure that the minister has cited on multiple occasions in relation to allocated funding for housing and homelessness measures.

- (1) How much of the \$2.6 billion allocated has actually been spent, to date?
- (2) How much of the \$2.6 billion allocated remains allocated but unspent?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Housing.

(1)–(2) The Cook government's record \$2.6 billion investment into social housing and homelessness for 4 000 homes is fully allocated over the forward estimates, with spending in line with this commitment. This record investment has so far facilitated the delivery of more than 1 900 social homes with a further 1 000 under contract or construction, and maintenance and refurbishments on thousands more. Additionally, the funding is supporting the delivery of more than 130 critical homelessness services.