

MARGARET RIVER BUSHFIRES — PRESCRIBED BURNS

1111. Hon MATT BENSON-LIDHOLM to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the prescribed burns that escaped and caused the Margaret River fires.

- (1) Who manages the land into which the fires initially escaped?
- (2) What was the fuel condition, the vegetation condition, the fuel age and the time since last burning on that land?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

Mr President, I was busy doing something else. I have two answers with me and I am not sure which one the member asked.

Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm: There are only parts (1) and (2) to the question.

Hon HELEN MORTON: Okay, that is fine. I know the one the member is asking for. I received the following response from the Minister for Environment.

- (1)–(2) These matters will be examined in an independent investigation foreshadowed by the Premier.