

DRIVING INSTRUCTORS - SOUTH WEST REGION

667. Hon BARRY HOUSE to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:

Further to question 590 asked on Tuesday, 22 August 2006 with reference to the locations in the south west region where driving tests are performed by police officers -

- (1) Are police officers from these locations able to assess people for the following special licences - HV, LR, MR, R and RE?
- (2) Do all the officers at these locations who are administering these licences have these licences themselves?
- (3) Does the Department for Planning and Infrastructure currently have a policy that prevents police officers from assessing people for special licences if they do not hold the relevant licence themselves?
- (4) If so, what is this policy and how is it administered?

Hon ADELE FARINA replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Section 48 of the Road Traffic Act 1974 does not require the assessors to hold the class of licence they are assessing.
- (3) No.
- (4) Not applicable.