

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (COST RECOVERY) REGULATIONS 2021

**1053. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:**

I refer to the draft Environmental Protection (Cost Recovery) Regulations 2021.

- (1) Under what conditions might the minister consider making the regulations effective from the commencement of the 2022–23 financial year, rather than at the midway point of the present financial year, which is the government’s current plan?
- (2) Under what conditions might the minister consider phasing in the full quantum of the proposed fees, rather than implementing these charges all at once, considering that the department’s price and demand modelling data still has not been shared with stakeholders?

**Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:**

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

- (1)–(2) The state government has undertaken a thorough consultation process with stakeholders on the development and implementation of the Environmental Protection (Cost Recovery) Regulations 2021. Feedback received through this consultation process is being carefully considered as part of finalising the cost-recovery model.