Extract from Hansard

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HOUSING — WAITLISTS

46. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Housing:

- (1) Does the minister agree with his predecessor in the housing portfolio that, "The actual indicator on how we are going is how many people are on the waiting list or how many applications we have"?
- (2) How many people in the minister's electorate are on the waiting list?
- (3) How much will that number reduce in 2015?

Hon COL HOLT replied:

(1) I am unaware of the comments made by my predecessor. My measure of success will be how many houses are available for people to move into. The Department of Housing has done a lot of work to bring on housing stock, especially through the affordable housing strategy. It is going very well. I would gauge the success of getting people into their home —

Hon Alanna Clohesy interjected.

Hon COL HOLT: Hon Sally Talbot asked me about success. I do not agree that success should be measured by the number of people on the waiting list.

Several members interjected.

The PRESIDENT: Order! Let the minister say it in his words.

Hon COL HOLT: Again, the measure of success is getting people off the waiting list and into houses—into their own home through either shared equity, a Keystart loan or public housing.

- (2) I do not know how many people in my electorate are on the waiting list at this time.
- (3) Not applicable.