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PEEL HEALTH CAMPUS — AMBULANCE DIVERSION

1144. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Health:

- (1) How many times and on what dates since 1 January 2015 has Peel Health Campus not been able to provide admitted patient care because no inpatient beds were available at the time a patient presented at the emergency department?
- (2) On each occasion, for how long were inpatient beds unavailable?
- (3) What factors caused the unavailability of inpatient beds?

Hon ALYSSA HAYDEN replied:

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

- (1) Peel Health Campus authorised ambulance diversion on one occasion from 5.00 pm on 3 August 2015 to 8.00 am on 4 August 2015.
- (2) The diversion was in place for approximately 15 hours.
- (3) The diversion was authorised in response to unprecedented and unpredicted sick leave by medical staff.