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Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm; Hon Robyn McSweeney

SENIORS — HOME SECURITY DEVICE REBATE

144. Hon MATT BENSON-LIDHOLM to the Minister for Seniors and Volunteering:

I refer to the Liberal Party's election policy to provide a \$200 rebate to seniors for home security devices. Given there are about 199 833 households where one or more Seniors Card holders reside, I ask —

- (1) Can the minister confirm that a \$10 million funding allocation has been approved in line with the Liberal Party election financial document?
- (2) Given that this election commitment will cost some \$39 million, can the minister explain how she will choose which seniors will be able to secure their homes?

Hon ROBYN McSWEENEY replied:

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

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The home security rebate scheme is currently under development. The member should understand that the rebate will not be paid retrospectively from the date of the announcement.