

MINES, INDUSTRY REGULATION AND SAFETY —  
FRONTLINE STAFF — PROJECT APPROVALS

**264. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:**

I refer to the 2021–22 state budget allocation of a \$120 million package to recruit “150 frontline officers to speed up project approvals” across five agencies, including the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety.

- (1) Prior to the budget announcement, how many frontline officers, by FTE and headcount, at DMIRS were primarily performing approvals tasks?
- (2) As at today, how many frontline officers, by FTE and headcount, are performing approvals tasks at DMIRS?

**Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:**

I thank the member for the question.

The Minister for Mines and Petroleum has provided the following answer.

It is not possible to provide the information requested in the time required and therefore I ask the member to place the question on notice.