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## PROJECT APPROVALS — FRONTLINE OFFICERS — DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, LANDS AND HERITAGE

## 99. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Planning:

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 Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage.

- (1) How many additional officers has DPLH been funded to recruit for this purpose over the estimate?
- (2) How many of these officers have been recruited to date?
- (3) How much of the additional funding has been spent on the above purpose to date?

## **Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. A breakdown of offices by portfolio is not available in the time required.

- (1) It has been funded to recruit 33.
- (2) There have been 27.
- (3) There has been \$931 882 as at 31 January 2022.