

YOUR SAFETY IN OUR HANDS IN HOSPITAL REPORT — RELEASE

188. Ms L. METTAM to the Minister for Health:

I have a supplementary question. De-identifying patients has always been a consideration for the last decade. Will the minister table the report; and, if not, is this just another example of the government burying information, similar to the government's decision to stop reporting on ambulance ramping?

Ms A. SANDERSON replied:

First of all, we have never stopped reporting on ambulance ramping. What is the member talking about?

Ms L. Mettam: When you first came into office.

Ms A. SANDERSON: We have never stopped reporting on ambulance ramping. St John took over the reporting on ambulance ramping.

Several members interjected.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Members! Leader of the Liberal Party, you have asked the question. Listen to the answer.

Ms A. SANDERSON: It is not usual custom that the report gets tabled. The Department of Health will publish the report on its website. That is what will occur.

Let us talk about information and how information is used. The vaccine report went in and out of my office within a week. As soon as that report was released, Hon Nick Goiran, friend of the Leader of the Liberal Party, was out there using that —

Ms L. Mettam interjected.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Leader of the Liberal Party!

Ms A. SANDERSON: He is out there using that report to undermine the incredibly successful vaccine program. It is another example of how —

Ms L. Mettam interjected.

Ms A. SANDERSON: It is another example of how the Liberal Party uses the information to undermine our response to COVID. That is exactly what has happened.

Let us talk about the other use of data.

Ms L. Mettam interjected.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Leader of the Liberal Party, can you please stop interrupting the minister so that she can finish her answer.

Ms A. SANDERSON: The Leader of the Liberal Party does not like to be challenged on her own views and her own record.

Let us talk about how information is also used by the Liberal Party with the constant requests for information by Hon Nick Goiran, member of the Liberal Party, friend of the Leader of the Liberal Party, on women who undertake late-term abortions. He seeks their personal information. He seeks their clinical information. He seeks the names of the clinicians who are treating them. He seeks the names of the reports of the clinicians who are treating them. Why would he want that information, Leader of the Liberal Party, and what are you doing as his leader to shut him down?