

TAXIS — PRIVATE OWNERS

477. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

- (1) Can the owner of a private motor vehicle change the category of compulsory third party—person—insurance they pay on their vehicle to allow them to carry passengers for hire or reward without having a taxi or small charter vehicle plate?
- (2) If yes what is the process and what category of driver's licence would the driver of the vehicle require when carrying a passenger for hire or reward?
- (3) What are the implications for a Uber driver who is carrying a passenger for hire or reward in a vehicle that is not a licensed taxi or small charter vehicle?

Hon JIM CHOWN replied:

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

- (1) No.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Persons who do not have the necessary authorisation to drive passengers for reward may be committing offences under various legislation, in particular the Road Traffic (Authorisation to Drive) Act 2008, Transport Co-ordination Act 1966 and Taxi Act 1994 and their associated regulations.