

PUBLIC TRANSPORT AUTHORITY — COST ASSESSMENT — DIESEL, HYBRID, ELECTRIC BUSES

1738. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

- (1) Has the Public Transport Authority done any assessment on the lifecycle costs of hybrid or fully electric buses compared to diesel buses?
- (2) If yes to (1), what was the outcome of the study and what are the lifecycle costs of:
 - (a) diesel;
 - (b) hybrid electric; and
 - (c) fully electric buses?
- (3) What was the time period over which the lifecycle costs were calculated?

Hon Jim Chown replied:

- (1)–(2) The Public Transport Authority is currently concluding an 18 month evaluation of a Volvo diesel–electric hybrid bus. The results of this evaluation are expected to be finalised in December 2014.
- (3) Not applicable