

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT — BOATING — REPORTED INCIDENTS

2720. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the Department of Transport's figures for rate of reported incidents (accidents) on the water per 10 000 registered recreational vessels, and I ask:

- (a) how many reported incidents (accidents) occurred in the following financial years:
 - (i) 2008–09;
 - (ii) 2009–10;
 - (iii) 2010–11;
 - (iv) 2011–12;
 - (v) 2012–13; and
 - (vi) 2013–14;
- (b) how many of the reported incidents (accidents) in (1) involved alcohol in each of the following financial years:
 - (i) 2008–09;
 - (ii) 2009–10;
 - (iii) 2010–11;
 - (iv) 2011–12;
 - (v) 2012–13; and
 - (vi) 2013–14; and
- (c) how many boat skippers were breath tested following the reported incidents (accidents) in (1) in each of the following financial years:
 - (i) 2008–09;
 - (ii) 2009–10;
 - (iii) 2010–11;
 - (iv) 2011–12;
 - (v) 2012–13; and
 - (vi) 2013–14?

Hon Jim Chown replied:

- (a)
 - (i) 87
 - (ii) 87
 - (iii) 120
 - (iv) 102
 - (v) 92
 - (vi) 103
- (b) (i)–(vi) The Government is currently investigating a legislative regime to enable an attending officer or investigating officer to test vessel operators or vessel masters for the presence of alcohol following a boating accident.
- (c) (i)–(vi) Nil