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HWL EBSWORTH — DATA BREACH

1339. Hon WILSON TUCKER to the minister representing the Treasurer:

I refer to the recent data breach of law firm HWL Ebsworth, of which the Insurance Commission of Western Australia is a client. It has been more than six months since the data breach occurred.

- (1) Was any data relating to Insurance Commission of WA claims amongst the data stolen?
- (2) If yes to (1), is any of that data considered personal information?
- (3) If yes to (2), have the impacted parties been notified?
- (4) Has the data breach had an impact on the progress of any claims; and, if so, what?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. I provide this answer on behalf of the Treasurer.

(1)–(4) After becoming aware that some of its clients' personal information had been compromised in the HWL Ebsworth breach, the Insurance Commission wrote to affected clients. A small number of additional parties have subsequently been identified in a further dataset provided by HWL Ebsworth. Notifications to these additional parties are currently being prepared.