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Questions postponed from previous sittings: -

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970. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

Thursday, 15 February 2024

972. Mr R.S. Love to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Commerce

976. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

977. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food

978. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

979. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

Wednesday, 21 February 2024

981. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport

982. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

983. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

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985. Mr R.S. Love to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Commerce

986. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister assisting the Minister for Transport

987. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

988. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

Thursday, 22 February 2024

989. Ms M.J. Davies to the Premier

990. Ms M.J. Davies to the Minister for Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence

991. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

992. Mr R.S. Love to the Premier

Tuesday, 12 March 2024

- 993. Mr R.S. Love to the Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Transport; Tourism
- 994. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Planning; Lands; Housing; Homelessness
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- 996. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Regional Development
- 997. Mr R.S. Love to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Emergency Services
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Questions listed for this sitting: -

1005. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Energy:

I refer to Question on Notice 858 regarding AEMO's reserve capacity payments, and I ask:

- (a) From where did AEMO source the \$3,220,725.39 paid for reserve capacity for 2022-23?

1006. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Police:

With regard to crimes involving guns, can the Minister provide the following information for each of past five financial years:

- (a) the number of reported crimes involved guns;
- (b) the number of individuals were charged with crimes while armed with a gun;
- (c) the number of those charged that were licensed firearm owners; and
- (d) the number of the firearms used in the crimes recorded in (a) that were licensed weapons?

1007. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

I refer to the prosecution of Eco Landworks in relation to its work at Kinsale Park, and I ask:

- (a) when was the park registered as an Aboriginal site;
- (b) what was the physical evidence of a site to warrant the listing; and
- (c) what damage was done to the site to warrant the prosecution?

1008. Dr D.J. Honey to the Premier; Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade; Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations:

I refer to air travel by agency staff in their portfolios, and ask for the following information for each of the past three financial years:

- (a) how many staff travelled interstate by an airline and what was the cost of that travel;
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1009. Dr D.J. Honey to the Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Transport; Tourism:

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1010. Dr D.J. Honey to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Finance; Commerce; Women's Interests:

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1011. Dr D.J. Honey to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Emergency Services; Innovation and the Digital Economy; Science; Medical Research; Minister assisting the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade:

I refer to air travel by agency staff in their portfolios, and ask for the following information for each of the past three financial years:

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1012. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Culture and the Arts; Sport and Recreation; International Education; Heritage:

I refer to air travel by agency staff in their portfolios, and ask for the following information for each of the past three financial years:

- (a) how many staff travelled interstate by an airline and what was the cost of that travel;
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1013. Dr D.J. Honey to the Attorney General; Minister for Electoral Affairs:

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- (c) how many staff travelled internationally by an airline and what was the cost of that travel?

1014. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Police; Corrective Services; Racing and Gaming; Defence Industry; Veterans Issues:

I refer to air travel by agency staff in their portfolios, and ask for the following information for each of the past three financial years:

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- (b) how many staff travelled within the state by an airline and what was the cost of that travel; and
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1015. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Education; Aboriginal Affairs; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:

I refer to air travel by agency staff in their portfolios, and ask for the following information for each of the past three financial years:

- (a) how many staff travelled interstate by an airline and what was the cost of that travel;
- (b) how many staff travelled within the state by an airline and what was the cost of that travel; and
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1016. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Local Government:

I refer to the Off-Road Vehicle Account (ORVA), and I ask:

- (a) please advise the current balance of this account; and
- (b) Please advise the current timeline for the transition to online registration of Off-Road Vehicles, via DoTDirect?

1017. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade:

I refer to the government's COVID related assistance to event organisers following lobbying by Live Events WA, and I ask:

- (a) Can the Minister list all recipients of funding through the "Getting the show back on the road" initiative and the amount each received, and if not, why not;
- (b) Have all recipients submitted grant acquittal documentation to show the funding was used as intended, and if not, why not; and
- (c) Will the Minister table the acquittal documentation for all Events Industry firms that received government funding, and if not, why not?

1018. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Racing and Gaming:

I refer to the findings of the Perth Casino Royal Commission that government agencies were not satisfied that the Perth Casino had paid its proper tax and that a comprehensive review of past tax payments was needed, and I ask:

- (a) Was there a comprehensive review of the Perth Casino's past tax payments undertaken, and if not, why not;
- (b) If the review was done, who carried out the review and when was it completed;
- (c) What was the outcome of the review;
- (d) Have any past tax underpayments been recouped from the Perth Casino, and if not, why not; and
- (e) Will the Minister table copy of all Casino tax reviews related to Royal Commission matters, and if not, why not?

1019. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Planning:

I refer to concerns over the potential conflict of interest of WAPC Chair David Caddy, and I ask:

- (a) By what legal instrument or rule did the Department of Planning, Land and Heritage absolve WAPC Chair David Caddy from his statutory responsibility to disclose potential conflicts of interest regarding the company he founded (TPG, now Element);
- (b) Did the CCC undertake an inquiry into WAPC Chair David Caddy over potential conflicts of interest and any other matter;
- (c) If the CCC did undertake an investigation, when was it done and what was the outcome; and
- (d) If the CCC did not undertake an investigation, who investigated the complaint, when was it done and what was the outcome?

1020. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Energy:

I refer to the power blackout that affected Kalgoorlie for several days from 17 January 2024, and I ask:

- (a) Was the Minister aware of the existence of the gas powered back up plant in January when Kalgoorlie was left without power for several days;
- (b) Did the Minister ask why the backup power plant wasn't utilised with urgency, and if so, what was the agency response;
- (c) If there were problems with the backup plant, what were the problems that precluded the use of the power plant for several days;
- (d) How long did it take to have the backup plant supplying power to Kalgoorlie;
- (e) Was the Minister aware in mid-January that a major private power plant in Kalgoorlie is connected to the grid and could supply power to Kalgoorlie in such situations;
- (f) If Yes to (e), did the Minister ask about using that option to alleviate the outage problem for Kalgoorlie; and
- (g) Why wasn't the private power plant utilised urgently to deliver power to Kalgoorlie during the blackout period?

1021. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade:

I refer to the decision to provide \$220 million to Griffin Coal, in addition to previous grants of \$39 million, and I ask:

- (a) How much coal did Griffin Coal mine and sell to its customers in each of past three years;
- (b) What was Griffin Coal's annual revenue for each of the past three years;
- (c) What is the cash operating result for the Griffin Coal mine operation for past three years;
- (d) Has Griffin Coal sought and obtained higher prices from its coal customers if the mining operation was not cash flow positive, and if not, why not;
- (e) What evidence was the government presented to demonstrate the need for the substantial government assistance;
- (f) Has Griffin Coal been trading insolvent since the appointment of administrators and liquidators to the mine;
- (g) If Griffin Coal is operating lawfully by being solvent, why is the government providing funding to the company;
- (h) Did the Premier communicate with any parties other than company and government officials regarding the funding proposal;
- (i) If there was communication with other parties, who were they and why were they involved;

- (j) Does the Premier know what role Johnn Poynton has with Griffin Coal;
- (k) Does the Premier agree that such a large government payment to a company deserves full public transparency and government accountability; and
- (l) If yes to (k), will the Premier table Griffin Coal's annual financial statements for the past three years along with agency briefings to government on the funding proposal, and if not, why not?

1022. Mr R.S. Love to the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the purchasing of SmartRider cards at Transperth InfoCentres and selected SmartRider Retail Sales Outlets, and I ask:

- (a) How many SmartRider cards have been purchased in the:
 - (i) 2020/21 financial year;
 - (ii) 2021/22 financial year; and
 - (iii) 2022/23 financial year?

1023. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Transport:

I refer to Question on Notice 870 of 2023, and I ask:

- (a) Why did the Minister fail to provide a copy of the analysis behind the decision to reduce the speed limit on Marmion Avenue;
- (b) Will the Minister provide the relevant agency report that shows the data and analysis that underpinned the decision; and
- (c) How many fatalities have occurred on Marmion Avenue in each of the past five years?

1024. Dr D.J. Honey to the Attorney General:

I refer to Question on Notice 621 of 2023, and I ask:

- (a) Why didn't the government's lawyers oppose the liquidator's application to make the Court proceedings relating to the final settlement confidential; and
- (b) What reason did the liquidator offer for the application to keep proceedings secret?

1025. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Transport:

I refer to Question on Notice 619, and I ask:

- (a) Can the Minister explain her inability to provide relevant documents showing agreement between the government and the rail lease holder to close the lines listed in the Minister's answer;
- (b) Will the Minister table pertinent documents showing the agreement for the line closures, and if not, why not; and
- (c) Did either CBH or the rail lease holder object to the line closures?

1026. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Ports; Road Safety; Minister Assisting the Minister for Transport:

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1027. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development; Water; Industrial Relations:

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1028. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Health; Mental Health:

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1029. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Planning; Lands; Housing; Homelessness:

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1030. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Regional Development; Disability Services; Fisheries; Seniors and Ageing; Volunteering:

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1031. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Energy; Environment; Climate Action:

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1032. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Early Childhood Education; Child Protection; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services:

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1033. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; Small Business:

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1034. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Local Government; Youth; Minister assisting the Minister for Training and Workforce Development:

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1035. Dr D.J. Honey to the Premier; Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade; Public Sector Management; Federal-State Relations:

For each of the past three financial years and the current financial year to date, for each agency within your portfolio, I ask:

- (a) how many individual positions were reclassified to a higher level; and
- (b) were any occupation or function groups reclassified as a group, and if so please provide details of the group and monetary value of upgrade?

1036. Dr D.J. Honey to the Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Transport; Tourism:

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1039. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Culture and the Arts; Sport and Recreation; International Education; Heritage:

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1040. Dr D.J. Honey to the Attorney General; Minister for Electoral Affairs:

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1041. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Police; Corrective Services; Racing and Gaming; Defence Industry; Veterans Issues:

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1042. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Education; Aboriginal Affairs; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:

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1043. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development; Water; Industrial Relations:

For each of the past three financial years and the current financial year to date, for each agency within your portfolio, I ask:

- (a) how many individual positions were reclassified to a higher level; and
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1044. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Health; Mental Health:

For each of the past three financial years and the current financial year to date, for each agency within your portfolio, I ask:

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1045. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Planning; Lands; Housing; Homelessness:

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1047. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Energy; Environment; Climate Action:

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1048. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Early Childhood Education; Child Protection; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services:

For each of the past three financial years and the current financial year to date, for each agency within your portfolio, I ask:

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1049. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Ports; Road Safety; Minister Assisting the Minister for Transport:

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1050. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister for Local Government; Youth; Minister assisting the Minister for Training and Workforce Development:

For each of the past three financial years and the current financial year to date, for each agency within your portfolio, I ask:

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1051. Dr D.J. Honey to the Minister representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; Small Business:

For each of the past three financial years and the current financial year to date, for each agency within your portfolio, I ask:

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KIRSTEN M. ROBINSON
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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