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## Questions postponed from previous sittings: -

## Wednesday, 19 August 2009

1415. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Premier; Minister for State I	<i>D</i> evelopmen	ιt
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- 1432. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Housing and Works
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#### Tuesday, 8 September 2009

- 1449. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Health
- 1450. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- 1451. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health
- 1452. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister for Education
- 1454. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Regional Development
- 1455. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 1456. Mr P.B. Watson to the Minister for Health
- 1457. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Tourism
- 1458. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Tourism
- 1459. Mr M. McGowan to the Premier; Minister for State Development
- 1460. Mr M. McGowan to the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Indigenous Affairs
- 1461. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Fisheries; Electoral Affairs

- 1462. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Regional Development; Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development; Minister Assisting the Minister for Transport
- 1463. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Education; Tourism
- 1464. Mr M. McGowan to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport; Disability Services
- 1465. Mr M. McGowan to the Treasurer; Minister for Commerce; Science and Innovation; Housing and Works
- 1466. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Police; Emergency Services; Road Safety
- 1467. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Sport and Recreation; Racing and Gaming; Minister Assisting the Minister for Health
- 1468. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Planning; Culture and the Arts
- 1469. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy; Training
- 1470. Mr M. McGowan to the Attorney General; Minister for Corrective Services
- 1471. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection; Community Services; Seniors and Volunteering; Women's Interests
- 1472. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Water; Mental Health
- 1473. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests
- 1474. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; Minister Assisting the Minister for Education
- 1475. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Environment; Youth
- 1476. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Housing and Works
- 1477. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Health
- 1478. Mr M. McGowan to the Premier
- 1479. Mr A.P. O'Gorman to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 1480. Mr P.B. Watson to the Minister for Commerce
- 1481. Mr P.B. Watson to the Minister for Health
- 1482. Mr M.J. Cowper to the Minister for Planning
- 1485. Mr M. McGowan to the Premier
- 1486. Mr M. McGowan to the Treasurer; Minister for Commerce; Science and Innovation; Housing and Works
- 1487. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Planning
- 1488. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Environment
- 1489. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
- 1490. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Environment
- 1491. Mr M. McGowan to the Premier
- 1492. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for State Development
- 1494. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 1495. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Housing and Works
- 1496. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Housing and Works

## Wednesday, 9 September 2009

- 1498. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Housing and Works
- 1499. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Police
- 1500. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister representing the Minister for Training
- 1501. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Lands
- 1502. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Lands
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- 1507. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Lands
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- 1510. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Corrective Services
- 1511. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Corrective Services

## Thursday, 10 September 2009

- 1512. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 1513. Mr A.J. Carpenter to the Minister for Police
- 1514. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Police
- 1515. Mr M.P. Murray to the Minister for Agriculture and Food

#### Tuesday, 15 September 2009

- 1516. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police
- 1517. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Lands
- 1518. Mr M.P. Murray to the Minister for Regional Development
- 1519. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services
- 1520. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police
- 1521. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services

#### Wednesday, 16 September 2009

- 1522. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Health
- 1523. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Corrective Services
- 1524. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Education
- 1525. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Commerce
- 1526. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Housing and Works
- 1527. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- 1528. Mrs M.H. Roberts to the Minister for Education

- 1529. Mr A.P. O'Gorman to the Minister for Housing and Works
- 1530. Mr A.P. O'Gorman to the Minister for Health
- 1531. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Local Government

# Tuesday, 22 September 2009

- 1532. Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan to the Minister for Health
- 1533. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Mental Health
- 1534. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Water
- 1535. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Premier; Minister for State Development
- 1536. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Indigenous Affairs
- 1537. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Fisheries; Electoral Affairs
- 1538. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister for Regional Development; Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development; Minister Assisting the Minister for Transport
- 1539. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister for Education; Tourism
- 1540. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport; Disability Services
- 1541. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Treasurer; Minister for Commerce; Science and Innovation; Housing and Works
- 1542. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister for Police; Emergency Services; Road Safety
- 1543. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister for Sport and Recreation; Racing and Gaming; Minister Assisting the Minister for Health
- 1544. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister for Planning; Culture and the Arts
- 1545. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy; Training
- 1546. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Attorney General; Minister for Corrective Services
- 1547. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection; Community Services; Seniors and Volunteering; Women's Interests
- 1548. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister for Water; Mental Health
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- 1552. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Premier; Minister for State Development
- 1553. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Indigenous Affairs
- 1554. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Fisheries; Electoral Affairs
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#### Wednesday, 23 September 2009

- 1610. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Lands
- 1611. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Lands
- 1612. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for State Development
- 1613. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Health
- 1614. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Indigenous Affairs

- 1615. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Health
- 1616. Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
- 1617. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Premier

## Questions listed for this sitting: -

## 1618. Mr P. Papalia to the Minister for Corrective Services

I refer to the unprecedented increase in prison overcrowding under the current government, and I ask:

- (1) What is the current adult prison population?
- (2) What number (expressed both as a raw figure and percentage) of adult offenders entering prison between 1 November 2008 and the present time:
  - (a) have a diagnosed mental illness;
  - (b) are intellectually disabled;
  - (c) have, as a component of their sentence of imprisonment, a sentence of prison time for the failure to pay outstanding fines;
  - (d) are serving a term of imprisonment solely for the failure to pay outstanding fines;
  - (e) were recorded as having no fixed abode at the time of their sentencing; and
  - (f) were sentenced for a crime subject to a maximum penalty of two years or less?

#### 1619. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Premier

The Federal Government has announced its intention to make a formal apology to the people who were abused while in the care of the state and territory governments. They have indicated that an apology will also be made to mothers who gave their children up for adoption. The Federal Government has stated it will be requesting state and territory governments to consult with their key stakeholders to assist in the formation of the apology. Given this, I ask:

- (1) Which state minister will have responsibility for Western Australia's consultation process with local stakeholders regarding input to the Federal Government's apology?
- (2) What form will the consultation take in Western Australia?
- (3) Which stakeholders will be consulted as part of this process?
- (4) How will mothers of children given for adoption be consulted as part of this apology?

# 1620. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Tourism

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the failure of the Pacific Circle Music Conference (PCMC) in Sydney, which was launched in 1997?
- (2) Is the Minister aware of the involvement of similar personnel from the failed Sydney music conference with the Government's \$2.7m subsidy of the Perth One Movement for Music Conference, which is set up on a similar basis to the PCMC?

# 1621. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Tourism

(1) Is the Minister aware that after the failure of the Sydney Pacific Circle Music Conference (PCMC), the 'unique' concept resurfaced as the Australian Music Week in Melbourne?

- (2) Is the Minister aware of involvement of similar personnel in the Australian Music Week in Melbourne with the Government's \$2.7m subsidy of the Perth One Movement for Music?
- (3) Is the Minister aware of pro-Melbourne spruiking undertaken by Australian Music Week personnel, who have now received a \$2.7m commitment from the Western Australian Government?

#### 1622. Mrs C.A. Martin to the Minister for Education

Given that high school attendance levels are a key factor in ensuring the best outcomes for some of our most disadvantaged children, I ask:

- (a) could the Minister please outline the attendance figures for Fitzroy Valley District High School from the 2007 school year;
- (b) could the Minister please outline the attendance figures for Fitzroy Valley District High School from the 2008 school year; and
- (c) could the Minister please outline the attendance figures for Fitzroy Valley District High School from the 2009 school year to 31 August 2009?

# 1623. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Lands

Are there any reasons why the public cannot turn off the Old Whim Creek Road and drive along the course of the dry creeks and river beds that cross the Old Whim Creek Road, and use these river courses to drive to the various creek and river mouths in order to continue to gain access to the coastal areas for recreation on the beaches and for fishing on the coast; and

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if yes, what are these reasons?