

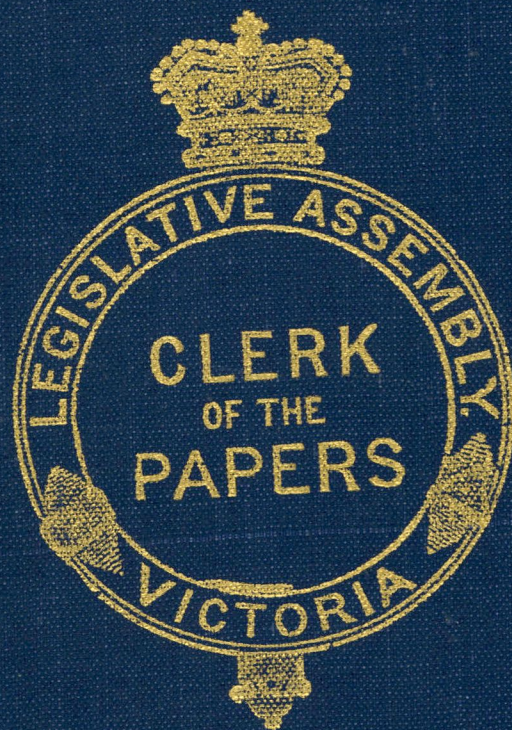
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- 1 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and qualifications of all—(a) union officials; (b) union members or affiliates; and (c) members of the A.L.P., appointed to any committee or board.
- 2 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, for the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and qualifications of all—(a) union officials; (b) union members or affiliates; and (c) members of the A.L.P., appointed to any committee or board.
- 3 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 4 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Minister for Sport and Recreation's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 5 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Minister for Public Works's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 6 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Housing administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 7 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 8 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Transport's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 9 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Local Government's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 10 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 11 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 12 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for the Arts' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 13 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 14 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 15 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Premier's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 16 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 17 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Education's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 18 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Labour's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 19 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 Which companies, Government agencies, etc. fall within the definition of the employment services group for WorkCare, indicating the total number of persons employed by each organisation.
 - 2 Whether he will provide the details of the 754 claims lodged by those organisations between September 1985 and September 1986.
- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 21 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 22 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Attorney-General's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 23 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 24 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Health's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 25 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Community Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 26 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 28 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will advise how much was paid for medical treatment under WorkCare in each month since the instigation of WorkCare to the following—(a) Dr I. Alekozoglou, 138 Melville Road, Brunswick; (b) Dr A. S. Ansari and Dr H.A.Y. Seedat, 390 Main Road, West St. Albans; (c) Dr J. S. Bedi, 9 Blyth Street, Brunswick; and (d) Victorian Occupational Health Services, 55 Flemington Road, North Melbourne.
- 29 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in view of the inconvenience and hardship caused to many country people as a result of the closure of the correspondence section of the State Public Records Office, whether he will request the Minister for Property and Services to reinstate this service to country residents.

- 30 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, with respect to the Government's plans to increase rental charges to sporting bodies and community groups operating on Crown Land:
- 1 Whether she will provide full details of the names of all groups that will be affected in the municipalities of Geelong, Geelong West, Bellarine, South Barwon, Barrabool, Queenscliffe, and Newton, indicating, in each case—(i) the current rental being paid by these organisations; and (ii) the increased rental to be charged by the Government.
 - 2 Whether these clubs will be given an opportunity to appeal against the rental increases; if so, to which Government authority.
 - 3 Whether the Government will offer any assistance to those clubs which will be unable to meet the increased rentals; if so, what forms of assistance will be available.
 - 4 Whether the Government will make any allowance when calculating the new rentals for those clubs which have made improvements to the land at their own expense.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants in the Youth Guarantee Program are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Youth Guarantee Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 32 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether he will advise when additional carriages will be added to trains on the Geelong/Melbourne route in peak times, in order to alleviate the current situation where passengers are required to stand up in the aisles for the entire journey due to lack of adequate seating accommodation.
- 33 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, whether she will provide details on all areas of urban open space in the Geelong region which the Government proposes to sell and redevelop as part of its asset sale program, including—(a) a description of each area of land; and (b) dates on which they are to be sold.
- 34 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, with respect to the promised \$50 million expansion and redevelopment of the Peter McCallum Cancer Institute, whether the Minister will advise—(a) when work will commence on this project; and (b) when work on the redevelopment will be completed.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 36 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will provide full details of all registered firearms, either by

post-code or municipal district, across Victoria, indicating—(a) the number; (b) type; and (c) classification.

- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.
- 38 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 What steps will the Government take to increase the number of qualified State Emergency Service training officers throughout Victoria.
 - 2 Whether the Government has any plans to transfer responsibility for road accident emergencies to the Country Fire Authority.
 - 3 Whether the Government will take immediate action to ensure the Services requirements are fully met, detailing what the Government proposes to offer in this regard.
- 39 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, when does the Government propose to implement its plan to equip all Victoria's elderly citizens confined to their homes with a vital call alarm, which alerts people such as a close relative, doctor, or ambulance that an emergency has arisen.
- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 42 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in relation to the Neighbourhood Mediation Centre in Geelong:
- 1 What was the total cost of setting up and furnishing the offices of the Centre.
 - 2 What was the cost to the taxpayers of Victoria for staff training for the Centre.
 - 3 What is the on-going annual cost of salaries for staff of the Centre.
 - 4 How many cases have been referred to the Centre in 1988, indicating how many have been resolved by staff at the Centre.
- 43 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, whether she will support the Country Fire Authority in its endeavours to prevent a repeat of the 1983 Ash Wednesday bushfires, through the fuel reduction programme; if so, what level of fire protection will the Department provide for the Anglesea area for the coming fire season.

- 44 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the production of uniforms for the Victorian Transport Department including V/Line, State Transport Authority, and the Metropolitan Transit Authority:
- 1 What is the name of each firm which has a contract to produce each of these uniforms.
 - 2 What is the average cost to the Government for these uniforms.
 - 3 Whether there is a requirement to pay a fringe benefits tax in relation to the provision of such uniforms; if so, what amount of fringe benefits tax does the Government pay annually.
- 45 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Transport, investigate the feasibility of utilising the abandoned, large red-brick former electrical building adjoining the Newport railway station, and refurbishing it for a sports centre similar to the Arena in North Geelong, for youth in the Newport area; if so, when; if not, what other plans does the Government have for utilising this building.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost for taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Mct and other Transport Department employees.
- 47 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the Minister's response to my Question on Notice No. 1039 of 17 September 1986 indicating that design work was being carried out by the Public Works Department to ensure seating for the Legislative Assembly Chamber was ergonomically sound; whether action is to be taken in respect of improved seating in the Legislative Assembly Chamber; if so, when; if not, why.
- 48 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in relation to the Peace Education Resource Centre for each of the years 1984–85, 1985–86, 1986–87, 1987–88 and 1988–89 to date:
- 1 What is the cost of operating the centre.
 - 2 How many staff operate in the centre.
 - 3 What grants are made to community groups by the centre.
 - 4 What are the advertising costs of the centre.
 - 5 What publications are produced by the centre, and to whom are they distributed.
- 49 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during each of the six month periods ended 30 June 1987; 31 December, 1987 and 30 June, 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.
- 50 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe, as at 31 December 1987, which roads are classified as—(a) State highways; (b) main roads; (c) tourist roads; and (d) unclassified roads.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.

- 52 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of Fringe Benefits Tax paid by each Government department and agency respectively in 1987–88 and budgetted to be paid during 1988–89.
- 53 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, with regard to the answer given to Question No. 553 asked on 11 March 1986:
- 1 What are the amended figures for 1985 for the number of properties assessed in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe and what was the amount of land tax assessed.
 - 2 How many properties in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were assessed for land tax in 1986 and 1987, respectively and how much land tax was assessed in each year.
- 54 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether he will advise the house what the cost was of (a) food; (b) liquor; and (c) chauffeur for a dinner put on by his permanent head, Mr Phillip Bentley on or about 18 March 1988 for Mr Bentley's wife, and friends, Mr Mike Wran, M.P. from South Australia and Mr Clive Jenkins and friend, a visiting elderly United Kingdom trade unionist.
 - 2 Whether he will explain what relevance this dinner at the Florentino Restaurant had to do with Mr Bentley's role as permanent head of the Department of Labour.
- 55 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 What justification there is for his permanent head, Mr P. Bentley to have a car phone in his Government car.
 - 2 When the phone was purchased; and
 - 3 What the dollar cost is to Victorian taxpayers for this phone.
- 56 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, with respect to changes in entitlement to special needs teachers for schools in the Reservoir electorate and Western metropolitan region:
- 1 Whether assurances were given by regional officers that "schools can expect continued enhancement and improvement of support at the school level".
 - 2 Whether she intends to ensure that this position occurs and is maintained in respect of Merrilands primary school.
 - 3 Whether she is aware that the special needs component of Merrilands primary school for the year 1988 with an enrolment of 210 students was 1.5.
 - 4 Whether the school has been advised that entitlement to 0.5 for the projected enrolment of 211 for 1989.
 - 5 Having regard to the position where single parent families in this school comprise 21 per cent of total family groups, 60 per cent of the school population is of migrant background and the unemployment level among families is 12.8 per cent how is this reflected by the special needs teacher allocation for 1989.
 - 6 Whether the Chief General Manager of the Schools Division has advised that the agreed formula needs allocation determined by the Ross Methodology Q Index adversely affect schools in the Northern suburbs (i.e. Western region); if so—(a) what number of teachers will be re-allocated and on what basis; and (b) where these teachers are going to be relocated.
 - 7 Whether the core of the allocation is based on Commonwealth census data; if so—(a) what year was the data assembled; and (b) what relevance does it have to 1989 requirements.

- 8 Whether the Western region is in danger of losing more than 100 special needs teachers in the 1989 allocation.
- 57 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the *Transport Act 1983*:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority is required to operate railway and ancillary services both inside and outside the Melbourne metropolitan area.
 - 2 Whether the State Transport Authority is required to—(a) operate as employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the State of Victoria; and (b) control and maintain all railway and railway ancillary equipment and facilities in the State of Victoria.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.
 - 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 60 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency or authority within your administration:
- 1 What is the name of every consultant (or firm of consultants) hired or otherwise used between April 1982 and the date of answering this question.
 - 2 What was the purpose for which each consultant or firm of consultants was used.
 - 3 What was the name of each report or reports on projects carried out by each consultant or firm of consultants indicating the date of each report.
 - 4 What was the full cost of each report or project carried out.

- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
 - 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.
- 62 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What is the total amount of stamp duty levied in respect of all articulated vehicles first registered in Victoria between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988, inclusive.
 - 2 What is the amount of stamp duty levied in respect of the semi-trailer component of each of the articulated vehicles first registered during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive.
 - 3 Whether stamp duty have been incorrectly levied in respect of semi-trailers first registered as a component of an articulated vehicle since 1 July 1987; if so, what arrangements have been, or are being, made to refund such stamp duty.
- 63 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:
- 1 Whether there are any overhead power lines erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and advise how many overhead telephone lines are erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
 - 3 What would be the cost of raising all overhead services to a height exceeding 4.3 metres.
 - 4 Whether there are any overhead power lines which presently have a clearance of less than 4.0 metres; if so, how many.
 - 5 How many overhead power lines were damaged by road transport vehicles during the year ended 31 December 1987.
- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
 - 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.
- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issued throughout

January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.

- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.
- 69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
 - 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
 - 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.
- 70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:
- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
 - 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
 - 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
 - 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail

outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

- 71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
 - 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
 - 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
 - 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
 - 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.
- 72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
 - 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.
- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted

from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.

- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 26 OCTOBER 1988**

- 78 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what was the number of crimes reported during 1987 to the Broadmeadows and Coburg divisional areas, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.
- 79 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, whether he will ascertain and advise how many Australian Citizenship Certificates were conferred in Victoria during each of the past ten years.
- 80 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each primary school in the Reservoir Electorate:
- 1 What is the current student enrolment.
 - 2 What is the projected student enrolment for 1989.
 - 3 What is the current number of teachers actually teaching.
 - 4 What is the projected number of teachers for 1989.
 - 5 How many children come from single parent families.
 - 6 How many are children of parents who—(a) have a language other than English as their first language; and (b) are unemployed.
 - 7 What percentage of students change schools during the year.
 - 8 What percentage of students have disabilities requiring special needs.
- 81 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Reservoir community health centre has any requests for funds pending with the Health Department; if so, what is the status of those requests.
- 82 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he has received an offer from the City of Preston to participate in measures to address the needs of young people in the community as a means of reducing the incidence of crime; if so—(a) what is the basis of the offer; and (b) what is the Department's response to the offer.
- 83 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction:
- 1 Whether the Ministry of Housing provides funds for Tenants' Association staff operating in the City of Preston; if so—(a) what funds; and (b) on what basis.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry has received requests or had recommendations for action as result of Tenants' Association action; if so, what result.
 - 3 How many housing units owned by the Ministry are currently—(a) being purchased by occupiers; and (b) being rented by occupiers in the Reservoir Electorate.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988**

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.
- 85 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of applicants on the Ministry of Housing waiting list from the shires of Mornington and Hastings:
- 1 How many applicants were waiting for—(a) rental accommodation; and (b) home purchase funding—at 30 June in each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88, inclusive.
 - 2 How many applicants—(a) were placed in rental accommodation; (b) received home purchase loans; (c) were evicted from Ministry houses, and why; and (d) defaults on home purchase loans involving legal action and/or forced sale of the property occurred—in respect of each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88.
- 86 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each Legislative Assembly electoral district, what was the total number of votes declared informal by reason of not being initialled by polling officers at the 1 October, 1988 election.

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This issue provides a numerical reference to Questions remaining unanswered, together with the text of Questions lodged on Friday, 28 October 1988.

The full text of Questions will be issued during the Session on a periodical basis.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

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NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 89 **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*)—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many teachers are currently on WorkCare, indicating the number who have been away from their posts—(a) between one to three months; (b) between six to 12 months; and more than 12 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for teachers being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers of teachers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement teachers for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on rehabilitation of teachers in each year of WorkCare.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988**

- 90 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education in respect of the use of the Ross index for the allocation of 1050 special needs teachers last year and an additional 200 to be provided this year:
- 1 Whether employment and unemployment was the most substantial element in the Ross methodology.
 - 2 Whether the Education Department discussed or consulted with the Ministry for Labour on the use of the 1981 Data Labour Force.
 - 3 Whether reports published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in the period 1981 to 1988 were considered by the Department; if so—(a) what changes in allocation occurred as a result; and (b) when did this consideration and change occur.
 - 4 Whether the Minister is aware that ABS publication 6201.2 Labour Force—Victoria, May 1981, states that the unemployment rate of Victorian civilian population of 15 years and over was 5.7 per cent.
 - 5 Whether consideration has been given to the incidence and impact of the change in unemployment illustrated by a rate of 5.7 per cent in 1981, 9.7 per cent in 1983, 10.5 per cent in 1984 and 6.4 per cent in 1988; if so what action will be taken.
 - 6 Whether consideration has been given to the tables published on page 3 of ABS Statistics Catalogue Number 6202.2 of 11 August 1988 which indicate the variation in the incidences of unemployment in the Melbourne Metropolitan regions; if so, what action will be taken.
 - 7 Whether account has been taken of the indication that northern and western suburbs schools operate in areas where unemployment is always above 5 per cent and in many cases close to 10 per cent; if so, what action will be taken.
 - 8 Whether account has been taken of the variation in the incidence of professional and para-professional occupation of parents in each of the regions; if so, what action will be taken.
 - 9 Whether regard has been given to the variations in income of parents and their capacity to assist in meeting students' needs.
- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology "Q" index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; is so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Department of Education regions,

indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

- 92 MRS WADE—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General how many complaints were heard by the Equal Opportunity Board between 21 March and 21 September 1988, indicating the number of days on which the Board sat.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 1 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and qualifications of all—(a) union officials; (b) union members or affiliates; and (c) members of the A.L.P., appointed to any committee or board.
- 2 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and qualifications of all—(a) union officials; (b) union members or affiliates; and (c) members of the A.L.P., appointed to any committee or board.
- 3 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 4 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Minister for Sport and Recreation's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 5 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Minister for Public Works's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 6 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Housing's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

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- 7 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 8 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Transport's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 9 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Local Government's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 10 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 11 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 12 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for the Arts' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 13 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 14 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 15 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Premier's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 16 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 17 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Education's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 18 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Labour's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 19 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 Which companies, Government agencies, etc. fall within the definition of the employment services group for WorkCare, indicating the total number of persons employed by each organisation.
 - 2 Whether he will provide the details of the 754 claims lodged by those organisations between September 1985 and September 1986.
- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 21 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 22 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Attorney-General's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 23 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 24 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Health's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 25 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Community Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 26 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 28 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will advise how much was paid for medical treatment under WorkCare in each month since the instigation of WorkCare to the following—(a) Dr I. Alekozoglou, 138 McIville Road, Brunswick; (b) Dr A. S. Ansari and Dr H.A.Y. Seedat, 390 Main Road, West St. Albans; (c) Dr J. S. Bedi, 9 Blyth Street, Brunswick; and (d) Victorian Occupational Health Services, 55 Flemington Road, North Melbourne.
- 29 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in view of the inconvenience and hardship caused to many country people as a result of the closure of the correspondence section of the State Public Records Office, whether he will request the Minister for Property and Services to reinstate this service to country residents.
- 30 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, with respect to the Government's plans to increase rental charges to sporting bodies and community groups operating on Crown land:
- 1 Whether she will provide full details of the names of all groups that will be affected in the municipalities of Geelong, Geelong West, Bellarine, South Barwon, Barrabool, Queenscliffe, and Newton, indicating, in each case—(i)

- the current rental being paid by these organisations; and (ii) the increased rental to be charged by the Government.
- 2 Whether these clubs will be given an opportunity to appeal against the rental increases; if so, to which Government authority.
 - 3 Whether the Government will offer any assistance to those clubs which will be unable to meet the increased rentals; if so, what forms of assistance will be available.
 - 4 Whether the Government will make any allowance when calculating the new rentals for those clubs which have made improvements to the land at their own expense.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 32 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether he will advise when additional carriages will be added to trains on the Geelong/Melbourne route in peak times, in order to alleviate the current situation where passengers are required to stand up in the aisles for the entire journey due to lack of adequate seating accommodation.
- 33 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, whether she will provide details on all areas of urban open space in the Geelong region which the Government proposes to sell and redevelop as part of its asset sale program, including—(a) a description of each area of land; and (b) dates on which they are to be sold.
- 34 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, with respect to the promised \$50 million expansion and redevelopment of the Peter McCallum Cancer Institute, whether the Minister will advise—(a) when work will commence on this project; and (b) when work on the redevelopment will be completed.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 36 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will provide full details of all registered firearms, either by post-code or municipal district, across Victoria, indicating—(a) the number; (b) the type; and (c) the classification.
- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.

2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.

38 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- 1 What steps will the Government take to increase the number of qualified State Emergency Service training officers throughout Victoria.
- 2 Whether the Government has any plans to transfer responsibility for road accident emergencies to the Country Fire Authority.
- 3 Whether the Government will take immediate action to ensure the Services requirements are fully met, detailing what the Government proposes to offer in this regard.

39 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Premier, when does the Government propose to implement its plan to equip all Victoria's elderly citizens confined to their homes with a vital call alarm, which alerts people such as a close relative, doctor, or ambulance that an emergency has arisen.

40 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:

- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
- 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
- 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.

41 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.

42 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in relation to the Neighbourhood Mediation Centre in Geelong:

- 1 What was the total cost of setting up and furnishing the offices of the Centre.
- 2 What was the cost to the taxpayers of Victoria for staff training for the Centre.
- 3 What is the on-going annual cost of salaries for staff of the Centre.
- 4 How many cases have been referred to the Centre in 1988, indicating how many have been resolved by staff at the Centre.

43 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, whether she will support the Country Fire Authority in its endeavours to prevent a repeat of the 1983 Ash Wednesday bushfires, through the fuel reduction programme; if so, what level of fire protection will the Department provide for the Anglesea area for the coming fire season.

44 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the production of uniforms for the Victorian Transport Department including V/Line, State Transport Authority, and the Metropolitan Transit Authority:

- 1 What is the name of each firm which has a contract to produce each of these uniforms.
- 2 What is the average cost to the Government for these uniforms.

- 3 Whether there is a requirement to pay a fringe benefits tax in relation to the provision of such uniforms; if so, what amount of fringe benefits tax does the Government pay annually.
- 45 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Transport, investigate the feasibility of utilising the abandoned, large red-brick former electrical building adjoining the Newport railway station, and refurbishing it for a sports centre similar to the Arena in North Geelong, for youth in the Newport area; if so, when; if not, what other plans does the Government have for utilising this building.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 47 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the Minister's response to my Question on Notice No. 1039 of 17 September 1986 indicating that design work was being carried out by the Public Works Department to ensure seating for the Legislative Assembly Chamber was ergonomically sound; whether action is to be taken in respect of improved seating in the Legislative Assembly Chamber; if so, when; if not, why.
- 48 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in relation to the Peace Education Resource Centre for each of the years 1984–85, 1985–86, 1986–87, 1987–88 and 1988–89 to date:
- 1 What is the cost of operating the centre.
 - 2 How many staff operate in the centre.
 - 3 What grants are made to community groups by the centre.
 - 4 What are the advertising costs of the centre.
 - 5 What publications are produced by the centre, and to whom are they distributed.
- 49 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during each of the six month periods ended 30 June 1987; 31 December, 1987 and 30 June, 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.
- 50 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe, as at 31 December 1987, which roads are classified as—(a) State highways; (b) main roads; (c) tourist roads; and (d) unclassified roads.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 52 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of Fringe Benefits Tax paid by each Government department and agency respectively in 1987–88 and budgetted to be paid during 1988–89.

53 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, with regard to the answer given to Question No. 553 asked on 11 March 1986:

- 1 What are the amended figures for 1985 for the number of properties assessed in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe and what was the amount of land tax assessed.
- 2 How many properties in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were assessed for land tax in 1986 and 1987, respectively and how much land tax was assessed in each year.

54 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

- 1 Whether he will advise the House what the cost was of (a) food; (b) liquor; and (c) chauffeur for a dinner put on by his permanent head, Mr Phillip Bentley on or about 18 March 1988 for Mr Bentley's wife, and friends, Mr Mike Wran, M.P. from South Australia and Mr Clive Jenkins and friend, a visiting elderly United Kingdom trade unionist.
- 2 Whether he will explain what relevance this dinner at the Florentino Restaurant had to do with Mr Bentley's role as permanent head of the Department of Labour.

55 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

- 1 What justification there is for his permanent head, Mr P. Bentley to have a car phone in his Government car.
- 2 When the phone was purchased; and
- 3 What the dollar cost is to Victorian taxpayers for this phone.

56 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, with respect to changes in entitlement to special needs teachers for schools in the Reservoir electorate and Western metropolitan region:

- 1 Whether assurances were given by regional officers that "schools can expect continued enhancement and improvement of support at the school level".
- 2 Whether she intends to ensure that this position occurs and is maintained in respect of Merrilands primary school.
- 3 Whether she is aware that the special needs component of Merrilands primary school for the year 1988 with an enrolment of 210 students was 1.5.
- 4 Whether the school has been advised that entitlement to 0.5 for the projected enrolment of 211 for 1989.
- 5 Having regard to the position where single parent families in this school comprise 21 per cent of total family groups, 60 per cent of the school population is of migrant background and the unemployment level among families is 12.8 per cent how is this reflected by the special needs teacher allocation for 1989.
- 6 Whether the Chief General Manager of the Schools Division has advised that the agreed formula needs allocation determined by the Ross Methodology Q Index adversely affect schools in the Northern suburbs (i.e. Western region); if so—(a) what number of teachers will be re-allocated and on what basis; and (b) where these teachers are going to be relocated.
- 7 Whether the core of the allocation is based on Commonwealth census data; if so—(a) what year was the data assembled; and (b) what relevance does it have to 1989 requirements.
- 8 Whether the Western region is in danger of losing more than 100 special needs teachers in the 1989 allocation.

- 57 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the *Transport Act 1983*:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority is required to operate railway and ancillary services both inside and outside the Melbourne metropolitan area.
 - 2 Whether the State Transport Authority is required to—(a) operate as employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the State of Victoria; and (b) control and maintain all railway and railway ancillary equipment and facilities in the State of Victoria.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.
 - 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 60 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency or authority within your administration:
- 1 What is the name of every consultant (or firm of consultants) hired or otherwise used between April 1982 and the date of answering this question.
 - 2 What was the purpose for which each consultant or firm of consultants was used.
 - 3 What was the name of each report or reports on projects carried out by each consultant or firm of consultants indicating the date of each report.
 - 4 What was the full cost of each report or project carried out.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held

throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:

- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
- 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
- 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
- 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.

62 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

- 1 What is the total amount of stamp duty levied in respect of all articulated vehicles first registered in Victoria between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988, inclusive.
- 2 What is the amount of stamp duty levied in respect of the semi-trailer component of each of the articulated vehicles first registered during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive.
- 3 Whether stamp duty have been incorrectly levied in respect of semi-trailers first registered as a component of an articulated vehicle since 1 July 1987; if so, what arrangements have been, or are being, made to refund such stamp duty.

63 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:

- 1 Whether there are any overhead power lines erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
- 2 Whether he will ascertain and advise how many overhead telephone lines are erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
- 3 What would be the cost of raising all overhead services to a height exceeding 4.3 metres.
- 4 Whether there are any overhead power lines which presently have a clearance of less than 4.0 metres; if so, how many.
- 5 How many overhead power lines were damaged by road transport vehicles during the year ended 31 December 1987.

64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:

- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
- 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
- 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
- 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
- 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.

65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations

which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.

- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.
- 69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
 - 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
 - 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.
- 70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:
- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
 - 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
 - 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
 - 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.
- 71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.

- 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
 - 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
 - 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
 - 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.
- 72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
 - 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.
- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 26 OCTOBER 1988

- 78 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what was the number of crimes reported during 1987 to the Broadmeadows and Coburg divisional areas, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.
- 79 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, whether he will ascertain and advise how many Australian Citizenship Certificates were conferred in Victoria during each of the past ten years.
- 80 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each primary school in the Reservoir Electorate:
- 1 What is the current student enrolment.
 - 2 What is the projected student enrolment for 1989.
 - 3 What is the current number of teachers actually teaching.
 - 4 What is the projected number of teachers for 1989.
 - 5 How many children come from single parent families.
 - 6 How many are children of parents who—(a) have a language other than English as their first language; and (b) are unemployed.
 - 7 What percentage of students change schools during the year.
 - 8 What percentage of students have disabilities requiring special needs.
- 81 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Reservoir community health centre has any requests for funds pending with the Health Department; if so, what is the status of those requests.
- 82 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he has received an offer from the City of Preston to participate in measures to address the needs of young people in the community as a means of reducing the incidence of crime; if so—(a) what is the basis of the offer; and (b) what is the Department's response to the offer.
- 83 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction:
- 1 Whether the Ministry of Housing provides funds for Tenants' Association staff operating in the City of Preston; if so—(a) what funds; and (b) on what basis.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry has received requests or had recommendations for action as result of Tenants' Association action; if so, what result.
 - 3 How many housing units owned by the Ministry are currently—(a) being purchased by occupiers; and (b) being rented by occupiers in the Reservoir Electorate.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.

- 85 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of applicants on the Ministry of Housing waiting list from the shires of Mornington and Hastings:
- 1 How many applicants were waiting for—(a) rental accommodation; and (b) home purchase funding—at 30 June in each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88, inclusive.
 - 2 How many applicants—(a) were placed in rental accommodation; (b) received home purchase loans; (c) were evicted from Ministry houses, and why; and (d) defaults on home purchase loans involving legal action and/or forced sale of the property occurred—in respect of each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88.
- 86 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each Legislative Assembly electoral district, what was the total number of votes declared informal by reason of not being initialled by polling officers at the 1 October, 1988 election.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 89 **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*)—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many teachers are currently on WorkCare, indicating the number who have been away from their posts—(a) between one to three months; (b) between six to 12 months; and (c) more than 12 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for teachers being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers of teachers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement teachers for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on rehabilitation of teachers in each year of WorkCare.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 90 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education in respect of the use of the Ross index for the allocation of 1050 special needs teachers and an additional 200 to be provided this year:
- 1 Whether employment and unemployment was the most substantial element in the Ross methodology.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry of Education discussed or consulted with the Ministry for Labour on the use of the 1981 labour force data.
 - 3 Whether reports published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in the period 1981 to 1988 were considered by the Department; if so—(a) what changes in allocation occurred as a result; and (b) when did this consideration and change occur.
 - 4 Whether the Minister is aware that ABS publication 6201.2 Labour Force—Victoria, May 1981, states that the unemployment rate of Victorian civilian population of 15 years and over was 5.7 per cent.

- 5 Whether consideration has been given to the incidence and impact of the change in unemployment illustrated by a rate of 5.7 per cent in 1981, 9.7 per cent in 1983, 10.5 per cent in 1984 and 6.4 per cent in 1988; if so what action will be taken.
 - 6 Whether consideration has been given to the tables published on page 3 of ABS Statistics Catalogue Number 6202.2 of 11 August 1988 which indicate the variation in the incidences of unemployment in the Melbourne Metropolitan regions; if so, what action will be taken.
 - 7 Whether account has been taken of the indication that northern and western suburbs schools operate in areas where unemployment is always above 5 per cent and in many cases close to 10 per cent; if so, what action is proposed.
 - 8 Whether account has been taken of the variation in the incidence of professional and para-professional occupation of parents in each of the regions; if so, what action is proposed.
 - 9 Whether regard has been given to the variations in income of parents and their capacity to assist in meeting students' needs.
- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology "Q" index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.
- 92 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General how many complaints were heard by the Equal Opportunity Board between 21 March and 21 September 1988, indicating the number of days on which the Board sat.

NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 3 NOVEMBER 1988

NIL

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988**

- 93 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in relation to the Accident Compensation Tribunal:
- 1 How many vehicles, indicating the types, are maintained by the Tribunal.
 - 2 Whether officers have vehicles allocated to them for their own use; if so, what are the names and positions of the officers.
 - 3 What use has been made of hire cars in calendar year 1988 to date, indicating—
(a) the number of trips; and (b) the total cost.
- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
 - 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal's accommodation at Marland House.
 - 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.
- 95 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Accident Compensation Tribunal has appointed a solicitor to its staff to assist the Registrar; if so—(a) why; and (b) how many legally qualified personnel are on either the Tribunal or its staff, indicating the name and position of each.
- 96 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether funds from the Accident Compensation Tribunal Widows Trust account have been invested with the Victoria Development Fund; if so, what amounts, indicating whether they were invested on a "fixed term" or "at call" basis.
- 97 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Deputy Registrar of the Accident Compensation Tribunal signed an authorisation for Arbitrator John Palmer to have a hire car on 6 July 1988 in preference to one of the Tribunal cars not in use on the evening of Tuesday, 5 July; if so, why.
- 98 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works has expanded its waste disposal capabilities; if so, why.
 - 2 Whether the Board's Waste Disposal Unit is contracting at unprofitable rates; if so, why, indicating to what extent the Board's ratepayers are subsidising the unit's operations.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 NOVEMBER 1988

- 99 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will ascertain and advise what funds have been allocated to the City of Doncaster and Templestowe for roadworks from all sources for each of the years ended 30 June 1981 to 1989 inclusive.
- 100 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will ascertain and advise what funds have been allocated to the City of Doncaster and Templestowe from the Australian Bicentennial Road Development Program for roads for each of the years ended 30 June 1981 to 1989 inclusive.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

This issue provides a numerical reference to Questions remaining unanswered, together with the text of Questions lodged on Thursday, 17 November 1988.

The full text of Questions will be issued during the Session on a periodical basis. The last Question Notice Paper containing the full text of all unanswered Questions was issued on Tuesday, 15 November 1988.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

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NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 17 NOVEMBER 1988

NIL

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 22 NOVEMBER 1988

101 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether he is aware that rail travel with V/Line is the only form of public transport in Victoria on which smoking is still permitted.
- 2 Whether he will inform the House why smoking is permitted on V/Line passenger services but is banned on other State transport services, and on all domestic aircraft service.
- 3 Whether it is proposed to ban smoking on all V/Line passenger services; if so, when.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

Whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) What action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) What is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) What is the revised completion date.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTION

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 1 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and qualifications of all—(a) union officials; (b) union members or affiliates; and (c) members of the A.L.P., appointed to any committee or board.
- 2 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and qualifications of all—(a) union officials; (b) union members or affiliates; and (c) members of the A.L.P., appointed to any committee or board.
- 3 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 4 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 5 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Public Works's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 6 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Housing's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 7 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 8 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Transport's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 9 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Local Government's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 10 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 11 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 12 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for the Arts' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 13 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 14 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 15 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Premier's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 16 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 17 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Education's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 18 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Labour's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 19 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 Which companies, Government agencies, etc. fall within the definition of the employment services group for WorkCare, indicating the total number of persons employed by each organisation.
 - 2 Whether he will provide the details of the 754 claims lodged by those organisations between September 1985 and September 1986.
- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 21 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 22 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Attorney-General's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 23 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 24 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Health's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 25 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Community Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 26 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 28 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will advise how much was paid for medical treatment under WorkCare in each month since the instigation of WorkCare to the following—(a) Dr I. Alekozoglou, 138 Melville Road, Brunswick; (b) Dr A. S. Ansari and Dr H.A.Y. Seedat, 390 Main Road, West St. Albans; (c) Dr J. S. Bedi, 9 Blyth Street, Brunswick; and (d) Victorian Occupational Health Services, 55 Flemington Road, North Melbourne.
- 29 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in view of the inconvenience and hardship caused to many country people as a result of the closure of the correspondence section of the State Public Records Office, whether he will request the Minister for Property and Services to reinstate this service to country residents.

- 30 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, with respect to the Government's plans to increase rental charges to sporting bodies and community groups operating on Crown land:
- 1 Whether she will provide full details of the names of all groups that will be affected in the municipalities of Geelong, Geelong West, Bellarine, South Barwon, Barrabool, Queenscliffe, and Newton, indicating, in each case—(i) the current rental being paid by these organisations; and (ii) the increased rental to be charged by the Government.
 - 2 Whether these clubs will be given an opportunity to appeal against the rental increases; if so, to which Government authority.
 - 3 Whether the Government will offer any assistance to those clubs which will be unable to meet the increased rentals; if so, what forms of assistance will be available.
 - 4 Whether the Government will make any allowance when calculating the new rentals for those clubs which have made improvements to the land at their own expense.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 32 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether he will advise when additional carriages will be added to trains on the Geelong/Melbourne route in peak times, in order to alleviate the current situation where passengers are required to stand up in the aisles for the entire journey due to lack of adequate seating accommodation.
- 33 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, whether she will provide details on all areas of urban open space in the Geelong region which the Government proposes to sell and redevelop as part of its asset sale program, including—(a) a description of each area of land; and (b) dates on which they are to be sold.
- 34 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, with respect to the promised \$50 million expansion and redevelopment of the Peter McCallum Cancer Institute, whether the Minister will advise—(a) when work will commence on this project; and (b) when work on the redevelopment will be completed.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 36 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will provide full details of all registered firearms, either by post-code or municipal district, across Victoria, indicating—(a) the number; (b) the type; and (c) the classification.

- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Bailarat, Bendigo and Mildura.
- 38 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 What steps will the Government take to increase the number of qualified State Emergency Service training officers throughout Victoria.
 - 2 Whether the Government has any plans to transfer responsibility for road accident emergencies to the Country Fire Authority.
 - 3 Whether the Government will take immediate action to ensure the Services requirements are fully met, detailing what the Government proposes to offer in this regard.
- 39 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, when does the Government propose to implement its plan to equip all Victoria's elderly citizens confined to their homes with a vital call alarm, which alerts people such as a close relative, doctor, or ambulance that an emergency has arisen.
- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 42 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in relation to the Neighbourhood Mediation Centre in Geelong:
- 1 What was the total cost of setting up and furnishing the offices of the Centre.
 - 2 What was the cost to the taxpayers of Victoria for staff training for the Centre.
 - 3 What is the on-going annual cost of salaries for staff of the Centre.
 - 4 How many cases have been referred to the Centre in 1988, indicating how many have been resolved by staff at the Centre.
- 43 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, whether she will support the Country Fire Authority in its endeavours to prevent a repeat of the 1983 Ash Wednesday bushfires, through the fuel reduction programme; if so, what level of fire protection will the Department provide for the Anglesea area for the coming fire season.

- 44 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the production of uniforms for the Victorian Transport Department including V/Line, State Transport Authority, and the Metropolitan Transit Authority:
- 1 What is the name of each firm which has a contract to produce each of these uniforms.
 - 2 What is the average cost to the Government for these uniforms.
 - 3 Whether there is a requirement to pay a fringe benefits tax in relation to the provision of such uniforms; if so, what amount of fringe benefits tax does the Government pay annually.
- 45 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Transport, investigate the feasibility of utilising the abandoned, large red-brick former electrical building adjoining the Newport railway station, and refurbishing it for a sports centre similar to the Arena in North Geelong, for youth in the Newport area; if so, when; if not, what other plans does the Government have for utilising this building.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 47 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the Minister's response to my Question on Notice No. 1039 of 17 September 1986 indicating that design work was being carried out by the Public Works Department to ensure seating for the Legislative Assembly Chamber was ergonomically sound; whether action is to be taken in respect of improved seating in the Legislative Assembly Chamber; if so, when; if not, why.
- 48 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in relation to the Peace Education Resource Centre for each of the years 1984–85, 1985–86, 1986–87, 1987–88 and 1988–89 to date:
- 1 What is the cost of operating the centre.
 - 2 How many staff operate in the centre.
 - 3 What grants are made to community groups by the centre.
 - 4 What are the advertising costs of the centre.
 - 5 What publications are produced by the centre, and to whom are they distributed.
- 49 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during each of the six month periods ended 30 June 1987; 31 December, 1987 and 30 June, 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.
- 50 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe, as at 31 December 1987, which roads are classified as—(a) State highways; (b) main roads; (c) tourist roads; and (d) unclassified roads.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.

- 52 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of Fringe Benefits Tax paid by each Government department and agency respectively in 1987–88 and budgetted to be paid during 1988–89.
- 53 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, with regard to the answer given to Question No. 553 asked on 11 March 1986:
- 1 What are the amended figures for 1985 for the number of properties assessed in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe and what was the amount of land tax assessed.
 - 2 How many properties in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were assessed for land tax in 1986 and 1987, respectively and how much land tax was assessed in each year.
- 54 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether he will advise the House what the cost was of (a) food; (b) liquor; and (c) chauffeur for a dinner put on by his permanent head, Mr Phillip Bentley on or about 18 March 1988 for Mr Bentley's wife, and friends, Mr Mike Wran, M.P. from South Australia and Mr Clive Jenkins a visiting elderly United Kingdom trade unionist, and his lady friend.
 - 2 Whether he will explain what relevance this dinner at the Florentino Restaurant had to do with Mr Bentley's role as permanent head of the Department of Labour.
- 55 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 What justification there is for his permanent head, Mr P. Bentley to have a car phone in his Government car.
 - 2 When the phone was purchased; and
 - 3 What the dollar cost is to Victorian taxpayers for this phone.
- 56 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, with respect to changes in entitlement to special needs teachers for schools in the Reservoir electorate and Western metropolitan region:
- 1 Whether assurances were given by regional officers that "schools can expect continued enhancement and improvement of support at the school level".
 - 2 Whether she intends to ensure that this position occurs and is maintained in respect of Merrilands primary school.
 - 3 Whether she is aware that the special needs component of Merrilands primary school for the year 1988 with an enrolment of 210 students was 1.5.
 - 4 Whether the school has been advised that entitlement to 0.5 for the projected enrolment of 211 for 1989.
 - 5 Having regard to the position where single parent families in this school comprise 21 per cent of total family groups, 60 per cent of the school population is of migrant background and the unemployment level among families is 12.8 per cent how is this reflected by the special needs teacher allocation for 1989.
 - 6 Whether the Chief General Manager of the Schools Division has advised that the agreed formula needs allocation determined by the Ross Methodology Q Index adversely affect schools in the Northern suburbs (i.e. Western region); if so—(a) what number of teachers will be re-allocated and on what basis; and (b) where these teachers are going to be relocated.
 - 7 Whether the core of the allocation is based on Commonwealth census data; if so—(a) what year was the data assembled; and (b) what relevance does it have to 1989 requirements.
 - 8 Whether the Western region is in danger of losing more than 100 special needs teachers in the 1989 allocation.

- 57 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the *Transport Act 1983*:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority is required to operate railway and ancillary services both inside and outside the Melbourne metropolitan area.
 - 2 Whether the State Transport Authority is required to—(a) operate as employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the State of Victoria; and (b) control and maintain all railway and railway ancillary equipment and facilities in the State of Victoria.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.
 - 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 60 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency or authority within your administration:
- 1 What is the name of every consultant (or firm of consultants) hired or otherwise used between April 1982 and the date of answering this question.
 - 2 What was the purpose for which each consultant or firm of consultants was used.
 - 3 What was the name of each report or reports on projects carried out by each consultant or firm of consultants indicating the date of each report.
 - 4 What was the full cost of each report or project carried out.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held

throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:

- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
- 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
- 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
- 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.

62 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

- 1 What is the total amount of stamp duty levied in respect of all articulated vehicles first registered in Victoria between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988, inclusive.
- 2 What is the amount of stamp duty levied in respect of the semi-trailer component of each of the articulated vehicles first registered during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive.
- 3 Whether stamp duty have been incorrectly levied in respect of semi-trailers first registered as a component of an articulated vehicle since 1 July 1987; if so, what arrangements have been, or are being, made to refund such stamp duty.

63 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:

- 1 Whether there are any overhead power lines erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
- 2 Whether he will ascertain and advise how many overhead telephone lines are erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
- 3 What would be the cost of raising all overhead services to a height exceeding 4.3 metres.
- 4 Whether there are any overhead power lines which presently have a clearance of less than 4.0 metres; if so, how many.
- 5 How many overhead power lines were damaged by road transport vehicles during the year ended 31 December 1987.

64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:

- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
- 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
- 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
- 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
- 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.

65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations

which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.

- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.
- 69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
 - 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
 - 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.
- 70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:
- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
 - 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
 - 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
 - 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.
- 71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.

- 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
 - 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
 - 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
 - 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.
- 72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
 - 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.
- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 26 OCTOBER 1988

- 78 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what was the number of crimes reported during 1987 to the Broadmeadows and Coburg divisional areas, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.
- 79 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, whether he will ascertain and advise how many Australian Citizenship Certificates were conferred in Victoria during each of the past ten years.
- 80 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each primary school in the Reservoir Electorate:
- 1 What is the current student enrolment.
 - 2 What is the projected student enrolment for 1989.
 - 3 What is the current number of teachers actually teaching.
 - 4 What is the projected number of teachers for 1989.
 - 5 How many children come from single parent families.
 - 6 How many are children of parents who—(a) have a language other than English as their first language; and (b) are unemployed.
 - 7 What percentage of students change schools during the year.
 - 8 What percentage of students have disabilities requiring special needs.
- 81 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Reservoir community health centre has any requests for funds pending with the Health Department; if so, what is the status of those requests.
- 82 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he has received an offer from the City of Preston to participate in measures to address the needs of young people in the community as a means of reducing the incidence of crime; if so—(a) what is the basis of the offer; and (b) what is the Department's response to the offer.
- 83 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction:
- 1 Whether the Ministry of Housing provides funds for Tenants' Association staff operating in the City of Preston; if so—(a) what funds; and (b) on what basis.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry has received requests or had recommendations for action as result of Tenants' Association action; if so, what result.
 - 3 How many housing units owned by the Ministry are currently—(a) being purchased by occupiers; and (b) being rented by occupiers in the Reservoir Electorate.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.

- 85 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of applicants on the Ministry of Housing waiting list from the shires of Mornington and Hastings:
- 1 How many applicants were waiting for—(a) rental accommodation; and (b) home purchase funding—at 30 June in each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88, inclusive.
 - 2 How many applicants—(a) were placed in rental accommodation; (b) received home purchase loans; (c) were evicted from Ministry houses, and why; and (d) defaults on home purchase loans involving legal action and/or forced sale of the property occurred—in respect of each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88.
- 86 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each Legislative Assembly electoral district, what was the total number of votes declared informal by reason of not being initialled by polling officers at the 1 October, 1988 election.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 89 **MRS SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*)—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many teachers are currently on WorkCare, indicating the number who have been away from their posts—(a) between one to three months; (b) between six to 12 months; and (c) more than 12 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for teachers being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers of teachers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement teachers for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on rehabilitation of teachers in each year of WorkCare.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 90 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education in respect of the use of the Ross index for the allocation of 1050 special needs teachers and an additional 200 to be provided this year:
- 1 Whether employment and unemployment was the most substantial element in the Ross methodology.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry of Education discussed or consulted with the Ministry for Labour on the use of the 1981 labour force data.
 - 3 Whether reports published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in the period 1981 to 1988 were considered by the Department; if so—(a) what changes in allocation occurred as a result; and (b) when did this consideration and change occur.
 - 4 Whether the Minister is aware that ABS publication 6201.2 Labour Force—Victoria, May 1981, states that the unemployment rate of Victorian civilian population of 15 years and over was 5.7 per cent.

- 5 Whether consideration has been given to the incidence and impact of the change in unemployment illustrated by a rate of 5.7 per cent in 1981, 9.7 per cent in 1983, 10.5 per cent in 1984 and 6.4 per cent in 1988; if so what action will be taken.
 - 6 Whether consideration has been given to the tables published on page 3 of ABS Statistics Catalogue Number 6202.2 of 11 August 1988 which indicate the variation in the incidences of unemployment in the Melbourne Metropolitan regions; if so, what action will be taken.
 - 7 Whether account has been taken of the indication that northern and western suburbs schools operate in areas where unemployment is always above 5 per cent and in many cases close to 10 per cent; if so, what action is proposed.
 - 8 Whether account has been taken of the variation in the incidence of professional and para-professional occupation of parents in each of the regions; if so, what action is proposed.
 - 9 Whether regard has been given to the variations in income of parents and their capacity to assist in meeting students' needs.
- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology "Q" index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.
- 92 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General how many complaints were heard by the Equal Opportunity Board between 21 March and 21 September 1988, indicating the number of days on which the Board sat.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

- 93 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in relation to the Accident Compensation Tribunal:
- 1 How many vehicles, indicating the types, are maintained by the Tribunal.
 - 2 Whether officers have vehicles allocated to them for their own use; if so, what are the names and positions of the officers.
 - 3 What use has been made of hire cars in calendar year 1988 to date, indicating—(a) the number of trips; and (b) the total cost.
- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
 - 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal's accommodation at Marland House.
 - 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.

- 95 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Accident Compensation Tribunal has appointed a solicitor to its staff to assist the Registrar; if so—(a) why; and (b) how many legally qualified personnel are on either the Tribunal or its staff, indicating the name and position of each.
- 96 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether funds from the Accident Compensation Tribunal Widows Trust account have been invested with the Victoria Development Fund; if so, what amounts, indicating whether they were invested on a “fixed term” or “at call” basis.
- 97 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Deputy Registrar of the Accident Compensation Tribunal signed an authorisation for Arbitrator John Palmer to have a hire car on 6 July 1988 in preference to one of the Tribunal cars not in use on the evening of Tuesday, 5 July; if so, why.
- 98 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works has expanded its waste disposal capabilities; if so, why.
 - 2 Whether the Board’s Waste Disposal Unit is contracting at unprofitable rates; if so, why, indicating to what extent the Board’s ratepayers are subsidising the unit’s operations.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 NOVEMBER 1988

- 99 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will ascertain and advise what funds have been allocated to the City of Doncaster and Templestowe for roadworks from all sources for each of the years ended 30 June 1981 to 1989 inclusive.
- 100 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will ascertain and advise what funds have been allocated to the City of Doncaster and Templestowe from the Australian Bicentennial Road Development Program for roads for each of the years ended 30 June 1981 to 1989 inclusive.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 22 NOVEMBER 1988

- 101 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he is aware that rail travel with V/Line is the only form of public transport in Victoria on which smoking is still permitted.
 - 2 Whether he will inform the House why smoking is permitted on V/Line passenger services but is banned on other State transport services, and on all domestic aircraft service.
 - 3 Whether it is proposed to ban smoking on all V/Line passenger services; if so, when.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

- 102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
Whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) What action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) What is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) What is the revised completion date.

NEW QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 24 NOVEMBER 1988

103 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing, with respect to property purchased by the Ministry of Housing at 29/31 Wilson Boulevard, Reservoir—

- 1 Who owned the land prior to the Ministry;
- 2 What was the purchase price paid by the Ministry for the property;
- 3 Who owns or is responsible for the number of goats currently grazing on the site;
- 4 What steps have been taken to ensure future occupants do not suffer as a result of the proximity to the high tension power lines attached to the State Electricity Commission pylon adjacent to the site;
- 5 Whether advice has been sought from the Commission as to the capacity of the power line and any associated risks to health of residents;
- 6 Whether advice has been similarly sought from the Department of Health;
- 7 Whether the Ministry proposes any similar purchases along power line sites in Reservoir.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988**

- 104 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, whether the Ministry has disposed of land and/or houses in Wodonga since 1 July 1988; if so — (a) what amount of money was raised by the disposal; and (b) will all the money be used to provide additional or alternative public housing for low income families on the waiting list in Wodonga, and if not, to what uses the money will be put, indicating the amounts in each case.
- 105 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, whether the Minister will advise what the proposed building and acquisition program is for public housing in each city or town in the electoral district of Benambra.
- 106 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in view of the Ministry's disposal of vacant land in Wodonga, what land is proposed to be used to provide housing for low income families on the waiting list in Wodonga.
- 107 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, how many of the 839 wild dogs taken for the year to 30 June 1988, were caught in treadle snares.
- 108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour
- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
 - 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley's home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
 - 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.
- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.
- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.

- 111 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will provide details on—(a) the purchase/lease of all vehicles by the Accident Compensation Tribunal, including details of the allocation of the vehicles; (b) the expense accounts, including all travel expenses, entertainment, hire of cars etc., of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar; and (c) the total salary package of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar, respectively, including a full duty statement and all contractual details of their respective salary, expenses and allowances.
- 112 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will advise if Mr Jim Clark, a senior departmental manager, of the Accident Compensation Commission has been dismissed; if so—(a) what was the reason for his dismissal; (b) have the Police been involved to date and, if not, will they be asked to undertake an inquiry; and (c) is any company involved in the reason for the dismissal, indicating any company involved.
- 113 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 115 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 116 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.

- 117 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 118 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 119 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the electoral district of Mornington for each of the years ended 30 June 1983 to 1988:
- 1 How many spot purchase houses were acquired.
 - 2 How many houses were purchased by co-operative groups.
 - 3 What was the total expenditure incurred in purchasing spot purchase houses.
 - 4 What are the names of each estate agent through whom the various houses were purchased, indicating the value and number of houses purchased through each agent.
- 120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.
- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or

entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.

- 124 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of the Government's policy to dispose of surplus land, whether he will identify the various pieces of land by area and name of the present lessee, licensee or occupier that the Government has determined should be disposed of by other means after having offered such land to the present lessee, licensee or occupier; if so,—(i) what method will be used to dispose of each piece of land; and (ii) which Government department and/or agency is involved in each case.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 1 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and qualifications of all—(a) union officials; (b) union members or affiliates; and (c) members of the A.L.P., appointed to any committee or board.
- 2 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and qualifications of all—(a) union officials; (b) union members or affiliates; and (c) members of the A.L.P., appointed to any committee or board.
- 3 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 4 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 5 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Public Works's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 6 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Housing's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 7 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 8 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Transport's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 9 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Local Government's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 10 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 11 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 12 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for the Arts' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 13 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 14 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 15 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Premier's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 16 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 17 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Education's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month:

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 18 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Labour's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 19 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 Which companies, Government agencies, etc. fall within the definition of the employment services group for WorkCare, indicating the total number of persons employed by each organisation.
 - 2 Whether he will provide the details of the 754 claims lodged by those organisations between September 1985 and September 1986.
- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 21 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 22 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Attorney-General's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 23 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

24 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Health's administration:

- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

25 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Community Services' administration:

- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

26 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment's administration:

- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:

- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
- 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
- 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
- 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
- 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
- 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.

28 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will advise how much was paid for medical treatment under WorkCare in each month since the instigation of WorkCare to the following—(a) Dr I. Alekozoglou, 138 Melville Road, Brunswick; (b) Dr A. S. Ansari and Dr H.A.Y. Seedat, 390 Main Road, West St. Albans; (c) Dr J. S. Bedi, 9 Blyth Street, Brunswick; and (d) Victorian Occupational Health Services, 55 Flemington Road, North Melbourne.

29 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in view of the inconvenience and hardship caused to many country people as a result of the closure of the correspondence section of the State Public Records Office, whether he will request the Minister for Property and Services to reinstate this service to country residents.

- 30 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, with respect to the Government's plans to increase rental charges to sporting bodies and community groups operating on Crown land:
- 1 Whether she will provide full details of the names of all groups that will be affected in the municipalities of Geelong, Geelong West, Bellarine, South Barwon, Barrabool, Queenscliffe, and Newton, indicating, in each case—(i) the current rental being paid by these organisations; and (ii) the increased rental to be charged by the Government.
 - 2 Whether these clubs will be given an opportunity to appeal against the rental increases; if so, to which Government authority.
 - 3 Whether the Government will offer any assistance to those clubs which will be unable to meet the increased rentals; if so, what forms of assistance will be available.
 - 4 Whether the Government will make any allowance when calculating the new rentals for those clubs which have made improvements to the land at their own expense.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 32 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether he will advise when additional carriages will be added to trains on the Geelong/Melbourne route in peak times, in order to alleviate the current situation where passengers are required to stand up in the aisles for the entire journey due to lack of adequate seating accommodation.
- 33 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, whether she will provide details on all areas of urban open space in the Geelong region which the Government proposes to sell and redevelop as part of its asset sale program, including—(a) a description of each area of land; and (b) dates on which they are to be sold.
- 34 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, with respect to the promised \$50 million expansion and redevelopment of the Peter McCallum Cancer Institute, whether the Minister will advise—(a) when work will commence on this project; and (b) when work on the redevelopment will be completed.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 36 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will provide full details of all registered firearms, either by post-code or municipal district, across Victoria, indicating—(a) the number; (b) the type; and (c) the classification.

- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.
- 38 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 What steps will the Government take to increase the number of qualified State Emergency Service training officers throughout Victoria.
 - 2 Whether the Government has any plans to transfer responsibility for road accident emergencies to the Country Fire Authority.
 - 3 Whether the Government will take immediate action to ensure the Services requirements are fully met, detailing what the Government proposes to offer in this regard.
- 39 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, when does the Government propose to implement its plan to equip all Victoria's elderly citizens confined to their homes with a vital call alarm, which alerts people such as a close relative, doctor, or ambulance that an emergency has arisen.
- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 43 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, whether she will support the Country Fire Authority in its endeavours to prevent a repeat of the 1983 Ash Wednesday bushfires, through the fuel reduction programme; if so, what level of fire protection will the Department provide for the Anglesea area for the coming fire season.
- 44 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the production of uniforms for the Victorian Transport Department including V/Line, State Transport Authority, and the Metropolitan Transit Authority:
- 1 What is the name of each firm which has a contract to produce each of these uniforms.
 - 2 What is the average cost to the Government for these uniforms.
 - 3 Whether there is a requirement to pay a fringe benefits tax in relation to the provision of such uniforms; if so, what amount of fringe benefits tax does the Government pay annually.

- 45 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Transport, investigate the feasibility of utilising the abandoned, large red-brick former electrical building adjoining the Newport railway station, and refurbishing it for a sports centre similar to the Arena in North Geelong, for youth in the Newport area; if so, when; if not, what other plans does the Government have for utilising this building.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 47 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the Minister's response to my Question on Notice No. 1039 of 17 September 1986 indicating that design work was being carried out by the Public Works Department to ensure seating for the Legislative Assembly Chamber was ergonomically sound; whether action is to be taken in respect of improved seating in the Legislative Assembly Chamber; if so, when; if not, why.
- 48 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in relation to the Peace Education Resource Centre for each of the years 1984–85, 1985–86, 1986–87, 1987–88 and 1988–89 to date:
- 1 What is the cost of operating the centre.
 - 2 How many staff operate in the centre.
 - 3 What grants are made to community groups by the centre.
 - 4 What are the advertising costs of the centre.
 - 5 What publications are produced by the centre, and to whom are they distributed.
- 49 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during each of the six month periods ended 30 June 1987; 31 December, 1987 and 30 June, 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.
- 50 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe, as at 31 December 1987, which roads are classified as—(a) State highways; (b) main roads; (c) tourist roads; and (d) unclassified roads.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 53 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, with regard to the answer given to Question No. 553 asked on 11 March 1986:
- 1 What are the amended figures for 1985 for the number of properties assessed in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe and what was the amount of land tax assessed.
 - 2 How many properties in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were assessed for land tax in 1986 and 1987, respectively and how much land tax was assessed in each year.

56 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, with respect to changes in entitlement to special needs teachers for schools in the Reservoir electorate and Western metropolitan region:

- 1 Whether assurances were given by regional officers that “schools can expect continued enhancement and improvement of support at the school level”.
- 2 Whether she intends to ensure that this position occurs and is maintained in respect of Merrilands primary school.
- 3 Whether she is aware that the special needs component of Merrilands primary school for the year 1988 with an enrolment of 210 students was 1.5.
- 4 Whether the school has been advised that entitlement to 0.5 for the projected enrolment of 211 for 1989.
- 5 Having regard to the position where single parent families in this school comprise 21 per cent of total family groups, 60 per cent of the school population is of migrant background and the unemployment level among families is 12.8 per cent how is this reflected by the special needs teacher allocation for 1989.
- 6 Whether the Chief General Manager of the Schools Division has advised that the agreed formula needs allocation determined by the Ross Methodology Q Index adversely affect schools in the Northern suburbs (i.e. Western region); if so—(a) what number of teachers will be re-allocated and on what basis; and (b) where these teachers are going to be relocated.
- 7 Whether the core of the allocation is based on Commonwealth census data; if so—(a) what year was the data assembled; and (b) what relevance does it have to 1989 requirements.
- 8 Whether the Western region is in danger of losing more than 100 special needs teachers in the 1989 allocation.

58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
- 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
- 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
- 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.

59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:

- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
- 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
- 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
- 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
- 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
- 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.

- 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for, if so, what were the details.
 - 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
 - 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.
- 62 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What is the total amount of stamp duty levied in respect of all articulated vehicles first registered in Victoria between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988, inclusive.
 - 2 What is the amount of stamp duty levied in respect of the semi-trailer component of each of the articulated vehicles first registered during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive.
 - 3 Whether stamp duty have been incorrectly levied in respect of semi-trailers first registered as a component of an articulated vehicle since 1 July 1987; if so, what arrangements have been, or are being, made to refund such stamp duty.
- 63 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:
- 1 Whether there are any overhead power lines erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and advise how many overhead telephone lines are erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
 - 3 What would be the cost of raising all overhead services to a height exceeding 4.3 metres.
 - 4 Whether there are any overhead power lines which presently have a clearance of less than 4.0 metres; if so, how many.
 - 5 How many overhead power lines were damaged by road transport vehicles during the year ended 31 December 1987.
- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.

- 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.
- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.
- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.
- 69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
 - 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
 - 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.
- 70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:
- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
 - 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
 - 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
 - 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail

outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
- 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
- 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
- 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
- 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.

72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:

- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.

73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:

- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
- 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.

74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:

- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.

75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:

- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
- 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.

76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.

- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 26 OCTOBER 1988

- 80 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each primary school in the Reservoir Electorate:
- 1 What is the current student enrolment.
 - 2 What is the projected student enrolment for 1989.
 - 3 What is the current number of teachers actually teaching.
 - 4 What is the projected number of teachers for 1989.
 - 5 How many children come from single parent families.
 - 6 How many are children of parents who—(a) have a language other than English as their first language; and (b) are unemployed.
 - 7 What percentage of students change schools during the year.
 - 8 What percentage of students have disabilities requiring special needs.
- 81 **MRS SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Reservoir community health centre has any requests for funds pending with the Health Department; if so, what is the status of those requests.
- 82 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he has received an offer from the City of Preston to participate in measures to address the needs of young people in the community as a means of reducing the incidence of crime; if so—(a) what is the basis of the offer; and (b) what is the Department's response to the offer.
- 83 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction:
- 1 Whether the Ministry of Housing provides funds for Tenants' Association staff operating in the City of Preston; if so—(a) what funds; and (b) on what basis.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry has received requests or had recommendations for action as result of Tenants' Association action; if so, what result.
 - 3 How many housing units owned by the Ministry are currently—(a) being purchased by occupiers; and (b) being rented by occupiers in the Reservoir Electorate.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.

- 85 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of applicants on the Ministry of Housing waiting list from the shires of Mornington and Hastings:
- 1 How many applicants were waiting for—(a) rental accommodation; and (b) home purchase funding—at 30 June in each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88, inclusive.
 - 2 How many applicants—(a) were placed in rental accommodation; (b) received home purchase loans; (c) were evicted from Ministry houses, and why; and (d) defaults on home purchase loans involving legal action and/or forced sale of the property occurred—in respect of each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88.
- 86 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each Legislative Assembly electoral district, what was the total number of votes declared informal by reason of not being initialled by polling officers at the 1 October, 1988 election.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 89 **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*)—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many teachers are currently on WorkCare, indicating the number who have been away from their posts—(a) between one to three months; (b) between six to 12 months; and (c) more than 12 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for teachers being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers of teachers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement teachers for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on rehabilitation of teachers in each year of WorkCare.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 90 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education in respect of the use of the Ross index for the allocation of 1050 special needs teachers and an additional 200 to be provided this year:
- 1 Whether employment and unemployment was the most substantial element in the Ross methodology.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry of Education discussed or consulted with the Ministry for Labour on the use of the 1981 labour force data.
 - 3 Whether reports published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in the period 1981 to 1988 were considered by the Department; if so—(a) what changes in allocation occurred as a result; and (b) when did this consideration and change occur.
 - 4 Whether the Minister is aware that ABS publication 6201.2 Labour Force—Victoria, May 1981, states that the unemployment rate of Victorian civilian population of 15 years and over was 5.7 per cent.

- 5 Whether consideration has been given to the incidence and impact of the change in unemployment illustrated by a rate of 5.7 per cent in 1981, 9.7 per cent in 1983, 10.5 per cent in 1984 and 6.4 per cent in 1988; if so what action will be taken.
 - 6 Whether consideration has been given to the tables published on page 3 of ABS Statistics Catalogue Number 6202.2 of 11 August 1988 which indicate the variation in the incidences of unemployment in the Melbourne Metropolitan regions; if so, what action will be taken.
 - 7 Whether account has been taken of the indication that northern and western suburbs schools operate in areas where unemployment is always above 5 per cent and in many cases close to 10 per cent; if so, what action is proposed.
 - 8 Whether account has been taken of the variation in the incidence of professional and para-professional occupation of parents in each of the regions; if so, what action is proposed.
 - 9 Whether regard has been given to the variations in income of parents and their capacity to assist in meeting students' needs.
- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology "Q" index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.
- 92 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General how many complaints were heard by the Equal Opportunity Board between 21 March and 21 September 1988, indicating the number of days on which the Board sat.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

- 93 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in relation to the Accident Compensation Tribunal:
- 1 How many vehicles, indicating the types, are maintained by the Tribunal.
 - 2 Whether officers have vehicles allocated to them for their own use; if so, what are the names and positions of the officers.
 - 3 What use has been made of hire cars in calendar year 1988 to date, indicating—(a) the number of trips; and (b) the total cost.
- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
 - 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal's accommodation at Marland House.
 - 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.

- 95 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Accident Compensation Tribunal has appointed a solicitor to its staff to assist the Registrar; if so—(a) why; and (b) how many legally qualified personnel are on either the Tribunal or its staff, indicating the name and position of each.
- 96 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether funds from the Accident Compensation Tribunal Widows Trust account have been invested with the Victoria Development Fund; if so, what amounts, indicating whether they were invested on a “fixed term” or “at call” basis.
- 97 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Deputy Registrar of the Accident Compensation Tribunal signed an authorisation for Arbitrator John Palmer to have a hire car on 6 July 1988 in preference to one of the Tribunal cars not in use on the evening of Tuesday, 5 July; if so, why.
- 98 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works has expanded its waste disposal capabilities; if so, why.
 - 2 Whether the Board’s Waste Disposal Unit is contracting at unprofitable rates; if so, why, indicating to what extent the Board’s ratepayers are subsidising the unit’s operations.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 NOVEMBER 1988

- 99 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will ascertain and advise what funds have been allocated to the City of Doncaster and Templestowe for roadworks from all sources for each of the years ended 30 June 1981 to 1989 inclusive.
- 100 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will ascertain and advise what funds have been allocated to the City of Doncaster and Templestowe from the Australian Bicentennial Road Development Program for roads for each of the years ended 30 June 1981 to 1989 inclusive.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 22 NOVEMBER 1988

- 101 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he is aware that rail travel with V/Line is the only form of public transport in Victoria on which smoking is still permitted.
 - 2 Whether he will inform the House why smoking is permitted on V/Line passenger services but is banned on other State transport services, and on all domestic aircraft service.
 - 3 Whether it is proposed to ban smoking on all V/Line passenger services; if so, when.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

- 102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
Whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 24 NOVEMBER 1988

- 103 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing, with respect to property purchased by the Ministry of Housing at 29/31 Wilson Boulevard, Reservoir—
- 1 Who owned the land prior to the Ministry;
 - 2 What was the purchase price paid by the Ministry for the property;
 - 3 Who owns or is responsible for the number of goats currently grazing on the site;
 - 4 What steps have been taken to ensure future occupants do not suffer as a result of the proximity to the high tension power lines attached to the State Electricity Commission pylon adjacent to the site;
 - 5 Whether advice has been sought from the Commission as to the capacity of the power line and any associated risks to health of residents;
 - 6 Whether advice has been similarly sought from the Department of Health;
 - 7 Whether the Ministry proposes any similar purchases along power line sites in Reservoir.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

- 104 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, whether the Ministry has disposed of land and/or houses in Wodonga since 1 July 1988; if so — (a) what amount of money was raised by the disposal; and (b) will all the money be used to provide additional or alternative public housing for low income families on the waiting list in Wodonga, and if not, to what uses the money will be put, indicating the amounts in each case.
- 105 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, whether the Minister will advise what the proposed building and acquisition program is for public housing in each city or town in the electoral district of Benambra.
- 106 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in view of the Ministry's disposal of vacant land in Wodonga, what land is proposed to be used to provide housing for low income families on the waiting list in Wodonga.
- 107 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, how many of the 839 wild dogs taken for the year to 30 June 1988, were caught in treadle snares.
- 108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour
- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
 - 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley's home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
 - 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.

- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.
- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.
- 111 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will provide details on—(a) the purchase/lease of all vehicles by the Accident Compensation Tribunal, including details of the allocation of the vehicles; (b) the expense accounts, including all travel expenses, entertainment, hire of cars etc., of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar; and (c) the total salary package of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar, respectively, including a full duty statement and all contractual details of their respective salary, expenses and allowances.
- 112 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will advise if Mr Jim Clarke, a senior departmental manager, of the Accident Compensation Commission has been dismissed; if so—(a) what was the reason for his dismissal; (b) have the Police been involved to date and, if not, will they be asked to undertake an inquiry; and (c) is any company involved in the reason for the dismissal, indicating any company involved.
- 113 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 115 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.

- 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 116 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 117 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 118 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 119 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the electoral district of Mornington for each of the years ended 30 June 1983 to 1988:
- 1 How many spot purchase houses were acquired.
 - 2 How many houses were purchased by co-operative groups.
 - 3 What was the total expenditure incurred in purchasing spot purchase houses.
 - 4 What are the names of each estate agent through whom the various houses were purchased, indicating the value and number of houses purchased through each agent.
- 120 **MR GUDF**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.

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- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.
- 124 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of the Government's policy to dispose of surplus land, whether he will identify the various pieces of land by area and name of the present lessee, licensee or occupier that the Government has determined should be disposed of by other means after having offered such land to the present lessee, licensee or occupier; if so,—(i) what method will be used to dispose of each piece of land; and (ii) which Government department and/or agency is involved in each case.

NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of each staff member that has been held responsible; and (c) any disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.
- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.
- 127 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout; if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.
- 128 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether the Minister is aware that patients of Moreland Hall Rehabilitation Program of the Moreland Hall Drug and Alcohol Treatment Centre, 26 Jessie Street, Moreland, have been given notice to vacate the premises of Moreland Hall by 31 December 1988.
 - 2 Whether he is aware that the patients issued a statement on 8 November 1988 in which they stated the fear that some of them will die.
 - 3 Whether all avenues have been pursued to deal with the plight of these patients; if so—(a) how; (b) when; and (c) with what result.
- 129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act* 1978 to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.
- 130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act*

1978 against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.

- 131 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.
- 132 **MR SMITH (Polwarth)**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 What the number of unattached officers filling positions in the Teaching Service are as at 1 December 1988.
 - 2 What the number of unattached officers are who have been temporarily deployed in positions below their classification.
 - 3 What the number of unattached officers are performing duties with an equivalent classification for a period in excess of 6 months.
 - 4 What counselling services have been provided to assist these officers in adjusting to positions of equivalent status or permanent positions in the last 12 months, indicating—(a) how many officers have provided this counselling service; and (b) what her intention is in re-deploying unattached officers to permanent positions and when will this be done.
- 133 **MR SMITH (Polwarth)**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 What the numbers are of teachers declared in excess in each Region as at 1 December 1988 in all types of post-primary schools.
 - 2 Whether she proposes to—(a) transfer teachers from country areas to city areas and vice versa against the wishes of these teachers; (b) force teachers to travel vast distances each day to teach; (c) appoint teachers to teach in two or more neighbouring schools; and (d) stand down teachers without pay until positions are available.
 - 3 Why she has employed teachers off course to commence teaching in 1989 with so many teachers declared in excess.
- 134 **MR SMITH (Polwarth)**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 What number of teachers are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many were on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6–12 months; and (c) between 1–3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for teachers being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers for each type of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement teachers for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on rehabilitation of teachers in each year of WorkCare.
- 135 **MR SMITH (Polwarth)**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 Whether she can explain why correspondence relating to the 1989 staffing return written on 13 October 1988 arrived in schools between 24 and 26 October 1988 and the return had to be processed by Principals and mailed on Friday, 28 October 1988.
 - 2 Why very little time had been allowed for Principals to complete the processes required to complete the form.

136 **MR SMITH (Polwarth)**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in relation to the payment of teacher training allowances:

- 1 Why the Ministry holds money for at least 3 months before making payment to teachers.
- 2 Whether the Deakin University paid the Ministry in April 1988 for teaching rounds conducted during the first 2 weeks of March and, if so, have teachers still not been paid for these duties.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 3 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 4 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 5 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Public Works's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 6 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Housing's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 7 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 8 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Transport's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 9 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Local Government's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 10 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 12 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for the Arts' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 13 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 14 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 15 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Premier's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 16 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 17 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Education's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 18 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Labour's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.

- 21 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 22 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Attorney-General's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 23 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 24 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Health's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 25 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Community Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 26 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:

- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
- 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
- 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
- 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
- 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
- 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.

30 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, with respect to the Government's plans to increase rental charges to sporting bodies and community groups operating on Crown land:

- 1 Whether she will provide full details of the names of all groups that will be affected in the municipalities of Geelong, Geelong West, Bellarine, South Barwon, Barrabool, Queenscliffe, and Newton, indicating, in each case—(i) the current rental being paid by these organisations; and (ii) the increased rental to be charged by the Government.
- 2 Whether these clubs will be given an opportunity to appeal against the rental increases; if so, to which Government authority.
- 3 Whether the Government will offer any assistance to those clubs which will be unable to meet the increased rentals; if so, what forms of assistance will be available.
- 4 Whether the Government will make any allowance when calculating the new rentals for those clubs which have made improvements to the land at their own expense.

31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:

- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
- 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
- 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
- 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.

33 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, whether he will provide details on all areas of urban open space in the Geelong region which the Government proposes to sell and redevelop as part of its asset sale program, including—(a) a description of each area of land; and (b) dates on which they are to be sold.

34 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, with respect to the promised \$50 million expansion and redevelopment of the Peter McCallum Cancer Institute,

whether the Minister will advise—(a) when work will commence on this project; and (b) when work on the redevelopment will be completed.

- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.
- 39 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, when does the Government propose to implement its plan to equip all Victoria's elderly citizens confined to their homes with a vital call alarm, which alerts people such as a close relative, doctor, or ambulance that an emergency has arisen.
- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 45 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Transport, investigate the feasibility of utilising the abandoned, large red-brick former electrical building adjoining the Newport railway station, and refurbishing it for a sports centre similar to the Arena in North Geelong, for youth in the Newport area; if so, when; if not, what other plans does the Government have for utilising this building.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 49 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe

were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during each of the six month periods ended 30 June 1987; 31 December, 1987 and 30 June, 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.

- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 53 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, with regard to the answer given to Question No. 553 asked on 11 March 1986:
- 1 What are the amended figures for 1985 for the number of properties assessed in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe and what was the amount of land tax assessed.
 - 2 How many properties in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were assessed for land tax in 1986 and 1987, respectively and how much land tax was assessed in each year.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.
 - 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded "Rocking the Rails" pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.

- 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.
- 63 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:
- 1 Whether there are any overhead power lines erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and advise how many overhead telephone lines are erected in Victoria with a clearance of less than 4.3 metres.
 - 3 What would be the cost of raising all overhead services to a height exceeding 4.3 metres.
 - 4 Whether there are any overhead power lines which presently have a clearance of less than 4.0 metres; if so, how many.
 - 5 How many overhead power lines were damaged by road transport vehicles during the year ended 31 December 1987.
- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
 - 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.
- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.
- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.

3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.

68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.

69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.

2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.

3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.

4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.

70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:

1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.

2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.

3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.

4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.

2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.

3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.

4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.

5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.

- 72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
 - 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.
- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 26 OCTOBER 1988

- 80 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each primary school in the Reservoir Electorate:
- 1 What is the current student enrolment.
 - 2 What is the projected student enrolment for 1989.
 - 3 What is the current number of teachers actually teaching.
 - 4 What is the projected number of teachers for 1989.
 - 5 How many children come from single parent families.
 - 6 How many are children of parents who—(a) have a language other than English as their first language; and (b) are unemployed.
 - 7 What percentage of students change schools during the year.

8 What percentage of students have disabilities requiring special needs.

- 82 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he has received an offer from the City of Preston to participate in measures to address the needs of young people in the community as a means of reducing the incidence of crime; if so—(a) what is the basis of the offer; and (b) what is the Department's response to the offer.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.
- 85 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of applicants on the Ministry of Housing waiting list from the shires of Mornington and Hastings:
- 1 How many applicants were waiting for—(a) rental accommodation; and (b) home purchase funding—at 30 June in each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88, inclusive.
 - 2 How many applicants—(a) were placed in rental accommodation; (b) received home purchase loans; (c) were evicted from Ministry houses, and why; and (d) defaults on home purchase loans involving legal action and/or forced sale of the property occurred—in respect of each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology "Q" index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation, in each of the Ministry of Education regions,

indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

- 93 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in relation to the Accident Compensation Tribunal:
- 1 How many vehicles, indicating the types, are maintained by the Tribunal.
 - 2 Whether officers have vehicles allocated to them for their own use; if so, what are the names and positions of the officers.
 - 3 What use has been made of hire cars in calendar year 1988 to date, indicating—(a) the number of trips; and (b) the total cost.
- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
 - 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal's accommodation at Marland House.
 - 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.
- 95 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Accident Compensation Tribunal has appointed a solicitor to its staff to assist the Registrar; if so—(a) why; and (b) how many legally qualified personnel are on either the Tribunal or its staff, indicating the name and position of each.
- 96 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether funds from the Accident Compensation Tribunal Widows Trust account have been invested with the Victoria Development Fund; if so, what amounts, indicating whether they were invested on a "fixed term" or "at call" basis.
- 97 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Deputy Registrar of the Accident Compensation Tribunal signed an authorisation for Arbitrator John Palmer to have a hire car on 6 July 1988 in preference to one of the Tribunal cars not in use on the evening of Tuesday, 5 July; if so, why.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 22 NOVEMBER 1988

- 101 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he is aware that rail travel with V/Line is the only form of public transport in Victoria on which smoking is still permitted.
 - 2 Whether he will inform the House why smoking is permitted on V/Line passenger services but is banned on other State transport services, and on all domestic aircraft service.
 - 3 Whether it is proposed to ban smoking on all V/Line passenger services; if so, when.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

- 102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
Whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action

will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 24 NOVEMBER 1988

- 103 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing, with respect to property purchased by the Ministry of Housing at 29/31 Wilson Boulevard, Reservoir—
- 1 Who owned the land prior to the Ministry;
 - 2 What was the purchase price paid by the Ministry for the property;
 - 3 Who owns or is responsible for the number of goats currently grazing on the site;
 - 4 What steps have been taken to ensure future occupants do not suffer as a result of the proximity to the high tension power lines attached to the State Electricity Commission pylon adjacent to the site;
 - 5 Whether advice has been sought from the Commission as to the capacity of the power line and any associated risks to health of residents;
 - 6 Whether advice has been similarly sought from the Department of Health;
 - 7 Whether the Ministry proposes any similar purchases along power line sites in Reservoir.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

- 104 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, whether the Ministry has disposed of land and/or houses in Wodonga since 1 July 1988; if so — (a) what amount of money was raised by the disposal; and (b) will all the money be used to provide additional or alternative public housing for low income families on the waiting list in Wodonga, and if not, to what uses the money will be put, indicating the amounts in each case.
- 105 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, whether the Minister will advise what the proposed building and acquisition program is for public housing in each city or town in the electoral district of Benambra.
- 106 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in view of the Ministry's disposal of vacant land in Wodonga, what land is proposed to be used to provide housing for low income families on the waiting list in Wodonga.
- 108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour
- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
 - 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley's home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
 - 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.

- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.
- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.
- 111 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will provide details on—(a) the purchase/lease of all vehicles by the Accident Compensation Tribunal, including details of the allocation of the vehicles; (b) the expense accounts, including all travel expenses, entertainment, hire of cars etc., of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar; and (c) the total salary package of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar, respectively, including a full duty statement and all contractual details of their respective salary, expenses and allowances.
- 113 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 115 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 116 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the

programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.

2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.

117 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:

1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.

2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.

118 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:

1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.

2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.

119 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the electoral district of Mornington for each of the years ended 30 June 1983 to 1988:

1 How many spot purchase houses were acquired.

2 How many houses were purchased by co-operative groups.

3 What was the total expenditure incurred in purchasing spot purchase houses.

4 What are the names of each estate agent through whom the various houses were purchased, indicating the value and number of houses purchased through each agent.

120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.

121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.

122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:

1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.

2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.

- 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.
- 124 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of the Government's policy to dispose of surplus land, whether he will identify the various pieces of land by area and name of the present lessee, licensee or occupier that the Government has determined should be disposed of by other means after having offered such land to the present lessee, licensee or occupier; if so,—(i) what method will be used to dispose of each piece of land; and (ii) which Government department and/or agency is involved in each case.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—
(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.
- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.
- 127 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout; if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.
- 128 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether the Minister is aware that patients of Moreland Hall Rehabilitation Program of the Moreland Hall Drug and Alcohol Treatment Centre, 26 Jessie Street, Moreland, have been given notice to vacate the premises of Moreland Hall by 31 December 1988.
 - 2 Whether he is aware that the patients issued a statement on 8 November 1988 in which they stated the fear that some of them will die.

3 Whether all avenues have been pursued to deal with the plight of these patients; if so—(a) how; (b) when; and (c) with what result.

- 129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.
- 130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.
- 131 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.

NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 DECEMBER 1988

- 137 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the establishment of community health centres:
- 1 What methodology is used when considering the establishment of a centre.
 - 2 Whether the setting of priorities relies on the consensus of Members of Parliament in the region as set out in his letter of 8 July 1987 to the Secretary of the Interim Board of Management of the Reservoir community health centre; if not, whether it is to be based on community need.
- 139 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 140 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 141 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 142 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 143 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 144 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 145 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 146 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 147 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 148 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 149 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 150 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any

- agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 151 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 153 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 154 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 156 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 157 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 159 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 160 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post Secondary Education, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

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QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 MARCH 1989**

- 161 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria prior to the commencement of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 2 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria as at 18 December 1988.
 - 3 How many firearms were handed in during the last firearms amnesty, indicating—(a) how many were destroyed; and (b) what has been done with the remainder.
 - 4 What costs were involved in—(a) television advertising; (b) radio advertising; (c) print media advertising; and (d) any other types of advertising, of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 5 Which advertising agency handled the firearms amnesty account and what payments were made to them.
- 162 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years ended 30 June 1982–1988:
- 1 How many collisions there were between trains and motor vehicles involving loss of life, indicating how many lives were lost in each collision.
 - 2 How many pedestrians were killed by trains in—(a) the Melbourne metropolitan area; and (b) country and provincial Victoria at—(i) railway crossings; (ii) railway stations; and (iii) other sections of railway line, respectively.
 - 3 How many other persons were killed on railway property, indicating the circumstances in each case.
- 163 **MRLIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources whether investigations have been made into the source of water seepage into properties downstream of the Hurstbridge Basin; if so, what were the findings of the investigations and what action is planned to remedy the problem; if not, when will the problem be investigated.
- 164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
 - 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—(a) whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and (b) when the equipment will be operative.
- 165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—(a) what studies were made; and (b) what were the findings in each case.

- 166 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of the multi-million dollar works programme to cap the Werribee Sewerage Farm outlets to diminish odours, what is the expected benefit to people living on the Bellarine Peninsula.
- 167 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether the Government has carried out an independent impact study of the Geelong Black Rock outfall following continual reports of surf pollution in the Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove areas.
 - 2 Whether the Government is aware of reports that plant life in these regions is being retarded because of pollution from the Black Rock outfall; if so, what action has been taken to remedy this situation.
 - 3 How many trees have been planted and maintained in the Black Rock region by the Geelong District Water Board since the commissioning of the new treatment plant.
- 168 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to—(a) provide resources and support for migrant workers' centre; (b) provide an overseas exchange programme for trade unionists and shop stewards to study overseas working conditions; and (c) examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken in 1987 and 1988 to provide resources and support for migrant workers' centres, indicating—(a) the location of such centres; (b) the personnel involved at each centre; and (c) the date of establishment of each centre.
- 169 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—(a) the number of appointments made; and (b) the languages spoken by the appointees.
 - 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—(a) the date of appointment; (b) the location; (c) whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and (d) the languages spoken.
 - 3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—(a) the location; and (b) the number of staff and the functions performed.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.
- 170 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.
 - 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.

- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.

171 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to co-ordinate the production of and widen the distribution of multi-lingual information on basic legal rights and duties on bail, probation, legal aid, arrest, investigation by State and Federal departments, industrial rights and awards and workers compensation, indicating in which languages this activity has been undertaken.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to appoint people from ethnic communities to those offices and bodies in the legal system which regularly deal with members of ethnic communities, indicating—(a) how many appointments have been made and to which bodies; and (b) from which ethnic group such people have come in each case.

172 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available for all police interviews, indicating—(a) the languages spoken by translators; (b) the number of occasions when the services of a translator were used during 1988, indicating the language spoken in each case.

173 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken in the production of multi-lingual health information and the development of multi-lingual advice services, indicating the publications and their areas of distribution, respectively.
- 2 How many interpreters/translators are provided by the Government in relation to the delivery of health services at a Government and non-Government level, indicating—(a) the locations at which appointments have been made; (b) the date and duration of each appointment; and (c) the language spoken by the appointees.
- 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to initiate training courses for health-care interpreters and to recruit appropriately qualified bi-lingual health personnel in Australia and overseas, indicating—(a) the location and duration of such courses; (b) the number of students engaged; and (c) the number of qualified people recruited from Australia and overseas indicating the languages covered in courses and recruitment, respectively.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken since April 1982 to develop co-operative projects between hospitals, community health centres and the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the particular projects; (b) the group towards which each project was directed; and (c) the number of people employed in each instance.
- 5 How many additional personnel have been appointed to provide interpreting and bi-lingual counselling services in the fields of—(a) preventative medicine; (b) pre and post-natal services; (c) services for the aged; (d) services for disabled people; and (e) children's health services, respectively since April 1982, indicating, in respect of each category—(i) the location of such personnel; (ii) the date and duration of appointment in each case; and (iii) the languages spoken in each location.

174 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 Which State primary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme.

- 2 Which State secondary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme for all students.
 - 3 Which State primary schools teach languages as a normal part of the curriculum at all levels, indicating the languages taught at each school.
 - 4 How many students at State secondary schools are learning languages in year 11 and 12 indicating—(a) which languages and how many students at year 11; and (b) which languages and how many students at year 12.
- 175 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many students are enrolled at State primary and secondary schools, respectively in 1989.
 - 2 How many permanent teachers are employed by the Ministry of Education at State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 3 How many temporary teachers are employed in 1989 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 4 How many staff are employed by the Ministry of Education in non-teaching roles in 1989, indicating—(a) the number/definition of the role; and (b) the number of non-teaching personnel employed under each definition.
 - 5 How many emergency teachers are currently registered with the Ministry of Education either centrally and/or on a regional basis, indicating—(a) the number of emergency teachers registered centrally and/or regionally; (b) the subjects covered in each case for secondary schools; and (c) the number of primary school emergency teachers in each case.
 - 6 What is the daily rate of pay for emergency teachers in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 176 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many teachers, who were emergency teachers in 1988, have been offered permanent employment as teachers by the Ministry of Education during 1989 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 2 How many teachers, who were emergency teachers in 1987, were offered permanent employment as teachers by the Ministry of Education during 1988 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 177 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each of the years 1987 and 1988:
- 1 How many students were enrolled in private primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 2 How many students were enrolled in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 178 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each of the years 1987 and 1988:
- 1 How many private schools were deregistered, indicating—(a) the name and location of each school; and (b) the reason for deregistration.
 - 2 Which private schools were reviewed/inspected, indicating the name and location of each school.
 - 3 Which private schools were not reviewed/inspected, indicating—(a) the name and location of each school; and (b) the reason for non review/inspection.
- 179 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what the total number of schools was in Victoria as at February 1987 and 1989, respectively, indicating the number in each of the following categories—(a) State primary;

(b) State secondary; (c) State special; (d) other primary; (e) other secondary; (f) other special; and (g) any other classification.

- 180 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many special needs children, eligible for integration into regular schools in 1989, were unable to be accommodated at the commencement of the school year and for what reasons.
- 181 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what programmes the Government has in place to provide encouragement and special facilities for secondary students who demonstrate particular technical talent.
- 182 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education which State schools in the electoral district of Williamstown have undergone cyclic maintenance in the past six years, indicating the cost of such maintenance at each school.
- 183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to—
(a) provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; (b) allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and (c) encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 185 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many members of the Victoria Police are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for police being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of police in each year of WorkCare.
- 186 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many personnel employed with the Victoria State Emergency Service are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for State Emergency Services staff being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of State Emergency Services staff in each year of WorkCare.

- 187 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:
- 1 How many employees of the Ministry for Conservation, Forests and Lands are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for these employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of Conservation, Forests and Lands staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 188 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 How many reviews of the Business Planning System have been undertaken by the Department of Water Resources since the system was introduced for water boards and authorities in Victoria.
 - 2 What other reviews are proposed for the future and what has been the cost of the reviews to—(a) the Department; and (b) water boards and authorities.
- 189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.
- 190 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services whether he will provide statistics for all categories of causes of death in Victoria for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date.
- 191 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services whether he will provide full statistics showing details of all categories of crime committed in the Barwon police district for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date, including the clearance rate of such crimes.
- 192 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.
 - 2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.
- 193 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether he received an objection from the Upper Murray Water Board concerning the new garbage tip in Corryong; if so—(a) what were the main points of the objection; and (b) what were the findings and conclusions.
- 194 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:
- 1 Whether greyhounds entered in race events are entered under compulsory stand down penalties should the owners withdraw them; if so, why.
 - 2 Whether greyhounds and horses commence their racing careers as maidens and then self grade through race performances; if so, why are graders employed within dog racing and not within horse racing.
 - 3 Whether he will advise why there are no balloting conditions applied when nominations for dog racing events exceed race field requirements.

- 4 Whether he is aware of the alarming decline in litter registration numbers; if so, will he take action to ensure—(a) misleading advertising of races; (b) stand down penalties on dogs are withdrawn; (c) the publication of dogs deleted from races along with reasons for deletion; and (d) the system of grading is improved and based on performance.

195 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of the withdrawal of Government funding for traineeships in private business colleges in Victoria and the removal of Austudy for their students:

- 1 Whether she will advise what number of traineeships are available in Victoria and how does this compare with the other States.
- 2 Whether the Government considered reallocating funds from capital equipment items so as to increase the number of traineeships available in Victoria, particularly the Geelong area; if so, where and with what result; if not, why.
- 3 Whether private providers in Victoria are denied the opportunity to tender for the provision of courses for trainees; if so, why.

196 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post Secondary Education, in view of the withdrawal of Government funding for traineeships in private business colleges in Victoria and the removal of Austudy for their students:

- 1 Whether she will advise what number of traineeships are available in Victoria and how does this compare with the other States.
- 2 Whether the Government considered re-allocating funds from capital equipment items so as to increase the number of traineeships available in Victoria, particularly the Geelong area; if so, where and with what result; if not, why.
- 3 Whether private providers in Victoria are denied the opportunity to tender for the provision of courses for trainees; if so, why.

197 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 Whether she will advise why the rebuilding of two general purpose classrooms at the Oberon primary school is based on a design enrolment figure of 1 to 30 classroom/pupil ratio when the Government promised, prior to the last State election, that classrooms would be provided on a ratio of 1 to 27.
- 2 Whether she will review this building programme and provide general purpose classrooms at Oberon primary school on a ratio of 1 to 27; if not, why.

198 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier:

- 1 How the Government applies the principle of Ministerial responsibility in relation to the direction, management, and operation of a statutory body allocated to a Minister's portfolio.
- 2 Whether a Minister of the Crown can intervene to entertain or implement a course of action so as to rectify a perceived or real problem at board or administration level in the operations within a statutory authority; if so—(a) to what extent; (b) what is the role of the permanent head of a Minister's Department in this situation; and (c) what is the role of a Public Service officer in this situation who holds an appointment within the senior executive service and who has been allocated responsibility for a specific area of activity directly relevant to the activities of a statutory authority.

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QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989**

- 199 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many reports the Geelong Regional Office has received relating to school bus overloading since the start of the 1989 school year.
 - 2 What action (if any) is being taken to provide additional buses to ensure the safe passage of school children to these schools within the Geelong region.
 - 3 Whether she will call for and examine Road Traffic Authority inspection reports applicable to school buses and take the necessary action to ensure the safe running of buses and the observance of load limits.
- 200 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.
 - 2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.
- 201 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he will investigate the reclassification, upgrading and construction of the Belmont-Torquay Highway to cater for additional holiday loads and the needs of the commercial interests at Torquay, which have expanded.
 - 2 Whether construction of a dual carriageway is planned, having regard to the heavy traffic volumes in this region; if so, when will construction be commenced and completed.
- 202 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Furlong Sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.
 - 2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.
- 203 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:
- 1 What submissions the Department has received and acted on in relation to the effect of surfactants upon trees in the Barwon coastal region.
 - 2 Whether she will advise what action (if any) has been taken, based upon overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling rock erosion and its applications, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.

- 204 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he will advise the expected completion date for construction of the Geelong-Barwon bridge, indicating how these differ from the dates originally proposed.
 - 2 What action the Government has taken to settle the contractor/union dispute since Southgate 1988.
 - 3 Whether Lewis Construction Co. Pty. Ltd., will continue the project; if so—
(a) when; and (b) at what additional contracted cost to the people of Victoria.
- 205 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the Geelong Traffic Safety Centre:
- 1 What submissions the Ministry has received and acted upon in relation to—
(a) additional staff; (b) funding; and (c) further development of the Centre.
 - 2 Whether she will visit the centre; if so, when.
- 206 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of the decision to reduce the allocation of special needs teachers by at least 25 per cent for the 1989 year, compared with the allocation for 1988, in most of the twelve primary schools in the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What action (if any) is proposed to assess the impact of this decision, compared with the statistics contained in the 1981 and 1986 census, on—(a) the incidence of single-parent families; (b) the Labour Force Data statistics; and (c) persons born in non-English speaking countries who do not speak English fluently or at all.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry for Education has statistics to substantiate the decision to reduce special needs teachers on the basis of the Ross Methodology Index based on the 1981 census; if so, will she make these statistics available; if not, on what basis did she decide to reduce the allocation of special needs teachers by at least 25 per cent.
- 207 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services how many electors were requested to explain their failure to vote at the 1985 and 1988 State elections, respectively, indicating how many were fined in each case.

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- 208 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:
- 1 What the costs are of the departmental study into the establishment of the Carrum water sports centre, indicating what costs have been incurred in each year since April 1982 to date.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to address problems associated with sewerage outfall pollution at the Carrum centre.
 - 3 Whether he has considered representations by the Geelong community for a water sports centre in Geelong where boatsheds and tourist infrastructure are already established; if so, with what result.
 - 4 Whether he will continue to liaise with groups such as the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and the Geelong Canoeist and Rowing Association to co-ordinate developments for the Geelong region.
 - 5 What studies the Department has made in conjunction with Geelong municipal councils and the Geelong Regional Commission to achieve proper water sports facilities in Geelong.
- 209 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning a proposed smelter in the Shire of Corio; if so—(a) what studies have been made; and (b) what findings were communicated to the Shire of Corio and its residents.
- 210 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong–Ballarat and Gheringhap–Inverloch railway lines:
- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.
 - 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989**

- 211 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environmental Protection Authority license in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
 - 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the license standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.
- 212 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what number of crimes was reported in 1988 for the Broadmeadows and Coburg police stations, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.
- 213 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.
- 214 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.
- 215 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 How many apprenticeships have been commenced with the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works during each of the past five years, indicating how many applications were received for apprenticeships during each of those years.
 - 2 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 and whether these positions have been advertised; if so, with what result.
- 216 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services:
- 1 How many apprenticeships have been commenced with the Government Printing Office during each of the past five years, indicating how many applications were received for these apprenticeships during each year.
 - 2 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 and whether these positions have been advertised; if so, with what result.
- 217 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of Totalizator Agency Board Agencies in the Electoral District of Reservoir:
- 1 Whether he will advise the location of each agency.
 - 2 What the revenue was of each agency in each of the past 5 financial years.
 - 3 What amounts were available for distribution to—(a) winning bets; (b) Government charges; and (c) Totalizator Agency Board revenue, in respect to each agency and in total.

- 218 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.
- 219 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:
- 1 What the total intake was of apprentices by the State Electricity Commission and the Gas and Fuel Corporation, respectively, in each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships by each authority during each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for the Commission and Corporation, respectively, for 1989, indicating the number of interviews (if any) that have been conducted for these positions.
- 220 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 What facilities are provided in the State primary/secondary school system for children with outstanding talent and/or intellectual ability, indicating—(a) how these children are selected; (b) when these facilities were established; and (c) how many teachers are allocated to such facilities and in what disciplines there are specific facilities.
 - 2 How many children with outstanding talent and/or intellectual ability have been given places in special facilities from 1985 to 1989, inclusive, indicating—(a) where such children have been placed; and (b) what subjects have been given special emphasis.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 3 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 4 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 5 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Public Works' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 6 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Housing's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 7 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 8 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Transport's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 9 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Local Government's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 10 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 12 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for the Arts' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 13 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
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- 14 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

 - 15 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Premier's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

 - 16 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources' administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

 - 17 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Education's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

 - 18 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Labour's administration:
 - 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.

 - 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.

- 21 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 22 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Attorney-General's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 23 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 24 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Health's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 25 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Community Services' administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.
 - 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 26 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of each department, agency and authority within the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment's administration:
- 1 How many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the twelve months preceding the introduction of WorkCare in 1985, indicating the number of claims each month.

- 2 How many accidents resulted in WorkCare claims for the twelve months following the introduction of WorkCare, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 30 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, with respect to the Government's plans to increase rental charges to sporting bodies and community groups operating on Crown land:
- 1 Whether she will provide full details of the names of all groups that will be affected in the municipalities of Geelong, Geelong West, Bellarine, South Barwon, Barrabool, Queenscliffe, and Newton, indicating, in each case—(i) the current rental being paid by these organisations; and (ii) the increased rental to be charged by the Government.
 - 2 Whether these clubs will be given an opportunity to appeal against the rental increases; if so, to which Government authority.
 - 3 Whether the Government will offer any assistance to those clubs which will be unable to meet the increased rentals; if so, what forms of assistance will be available.
 - 4 Whether the Government will make any allowance when calculating the new rentals for those clubs which have made improvements to the land at their own expense.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 33 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, whether he will provide details on all areas of urban open space in the Geelong region which the Government proposes to sell and redevelop as part of its asset sale program, including—(a) a description of each area of land; and (b) dates on which they are to be sold.
- 34 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, with respect to the promised \$50 million expansion and redevelopment of the Peter McCallum Cancer Institute,

whether the Minister will advise—(a) when work will commence on this project; and (b) when work on the redevelopment will be completed.

- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.
- 39 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, when does the Government propose to implement its plan to equip all Victoria's elderly citizens confined to their homes with a vital call alarm, which alerts people such as a close relative, doctor, or ambulance that an emergency has arisen.
- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 45 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Transport, investigate the feasibility of utilising the abandoned, large red-brick former electrical building adjoining the Newport railway station, and refurbishing it for a sports centre similar to the Arena in North Geelong, for youth in the Newport area; if so, when; if not, what other plans does the Government have for utilising this building.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the

Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988-89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.

- 53 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, with regard to the answer given to Question No. 553 asked on 11 March 1986:
- 1 What are the amended figures for 1985 for the number of properties assessed in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe and what was the amount of land tax assessed.
 - 2 How many properties in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were assessed for land tax in 1986 and 1987, respectively and how much land tax was assessed in each year.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.
 - 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded "Rocking the Rails" pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
 - 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.

- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
 - 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.
- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.
- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.
- 69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
 - 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
 - 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.

- 70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:
- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
 - 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
 - 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
 - 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.
- 71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
 - 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
 - 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
 - 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
 - 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.
- 72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
 - 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.
- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.

- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 26 OCTOBER 1988

- 80 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each primary school in the Reservoir Electorate:
- 1 What is the current student enrolment.
 - 2 What is the projected student enrolment for 1989.
 - 3 What is the current number of teachers actually teaching.
 - 4 What is the projected number of teachers for 1989.
 - 5 How many children come from single parent families.
 - 6 How many are children of parents who—(a) have a language other than English as their first language; and (b) are unemployed.
 - 7 What percentage of students change schools during the year.
 - 8 What percentage of students have disabilities requiring special needs.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.
- 85 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of applicants on the Ministry of Housing waiting list from the shires of Mornington and Hastings:
- 1 How many applicants were waiting for—(a) rental accommodation; and (b) home purchase funding—at 30 June in each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88, inclusive.
 - 2 How many applicants—(a) were placed in rental accommodation; (b) received home purchase loans; (c) were evicted from Ministry houses, and why; and (d) defaults on home purchase loans involving legal action and/or forced sale of the property occurred—in respect of each of the years 1982–83 to 1987–88.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology “Q” index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

- 93 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in relation to the Accident Compensation Tribunal:
- 1 How many vehicles, indicating the types, are maintained by the Tribunal.
 - 2 Whether officers have vehicles allocated to them for their own use; if so, what are the names and positions of the officers.
 - 3 What use has been made of hire cars in calendar year 1988 to date, indicating—(a) the number of trips; and (b) the total cost.
- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
 - 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal’s accommodation at Marland House.
 - 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.
- 95 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Accident Compensation Tribunal has appointed a solicitor to its staff to assist the Registrar; if so—(a) why; and (b) how many legally qualified personnel are on either the Tribunal or its staff, indicating the name and position of each.
- 96 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether funds from the Accident Compensation Tribunal Widows Trust account have been invested with the Victoria Development Fund; if so, what amounts, indicating whether they were invested on a “fixed term” or “at call” basis.

- 97 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Deputy Registrar of the Accident Compensation Tribunal signed an authorisation for Arbitrator John Palmer to have a hire car on 6 July 1988 in preference to one of the Tribunal cars not in use on the evening of Tuesday, 5 July; if so, why.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 22 NOVEMBER 1988

- 101 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he is aware that rail travel with V/Line is the only form of public transport in Victoria on which smoking is still permitted.
 - 2 Whether he will inform the House why smoking is permitted on V/Line passenger services but is banned on other State transport services, and on all domestic aircraft service.
 - 3 Whether it is proposed to ban smoking on all V/Line passenger services; if so, when.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

- 102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
Whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

- 106 **MRLIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in view of the Ministry's disposal of vacant land in Wodonga, what land is proposed to be used to provide housing for low income families on the waiting list in Wodonga.
- 108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour
- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
 - 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley's home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
 - 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.
- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.
- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.

- 111 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will provide details on—(a) the purchase/lease of all vehicles by the Accident Compensation Tribunal, including details of the allocation of the vehicles; (b) the expense accounts, including all travel expenses, entertainment, hire of cars etc., of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar; and (c) the total salary package of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar, respectively, including a full duty statement and all contractual details of their respective salary, expenses and allowances.
- 113 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 115 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 116 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 118 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which

have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.

- 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.
- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.
- 124 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of the Government's policy to dispose of surplus land, whether he will identify the various pieces of land by area and name of the present lessee, licensee or occupier that the Government has determined should be disposed of by other means after having offered such land to the present lessee, licensee or occupier; if so,—(i) what method will be used to dispose of each piece of land; and (ii) which Government department and/or agency is involved in each case.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.
- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian

Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.

127 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

- 1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.
- 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout; if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.

128 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:

- 1 Whether the Minister is aware that patients of Moreland Hall Rehabilitation Program of the Moreland Hall Drug and Alcohol Treatment Centre, 26 Jessie Street, Moreland, have been given notice to vacate the premises of Moreland Hall by 31 December 1988.
- 2 Whether he is aware that the patients issued a statement on 8 November 1988 in which they stated the fear that some of them will die.
- 3 Whether all avenues have been pursued to deal with the plight of these patients; if so—(a) how; (b) when; and (c) with what result.

129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.

130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.

131 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 DECEMBER 1988

137 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the establishment of community health centres:

- 1 What methodology is used when considering the establishment of a centre.
- 2 Whether the setting of priorities relies on the consensus of Members of Parliament in the region as set out in his letter of 8 July 1987 to the Secretary of the Interim Board of Management of the Reservoir community health centre; if not, whether it is to be based on community need.

138 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the

WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 141 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 142 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 143 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 144 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 145 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 146 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 147 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 148 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 150 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 151 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 153 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 154 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any

- agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 157 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 159 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 160 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post Secondary Education, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 MARCH 1989

- 161 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria prior to the commencement of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 2 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria as at 18 December 1988.
 - 3 How many firearms were handed in during the last firearms amnesty, indicating—(a) how many were destroyed; and (b) what has been done with the remainder.

- 4 What costs were involved in—(a) television advertising; (b) radio advertising; (c) print media advertising; and (d) any other types of advertising, of the last firearms amnesty.
- 5 Which advertising agency handled the firearms amnesty account and what payments were made to them.

162 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years ended 30 June 1982–1988:

- 1 How many collisions there were between trains and motor vehicles involving loss of life, indicating how many lives were lost in each collision.
- 2 How many pedestrians were killed by trains in—(a) the Melbourne metropolitan area; and (b) country and provincial Victoria at—(i) railway crossings; (ii) railway stations; and (iii) other sections of railway line, respectively.
- 3 How many other persons were killed on railway property, indicating the circumstances in each case.

163 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources whether investigations have been made into the source of water seepage into properties downstream of the Hurstbridge Basin; if so, what were the findings of the investigations and what action is planned to remedy the problem; if not, when will the problem be investigated.

164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
- 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—(a) whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and (b) when the equipment will be operative.

165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—(a) what studies were made; and (b) what were the findings in each case.

166 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of the multi-million dollar works programme to cap the Werribee sewerage farm outlets to diminish odours, what is the expected benefit to people living on the Bellarine Peninsula.

167 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:

- 1 Whether the Government has carried out an independent impact study of the Geelong Black Rock outfall following continual reports of surf pollution in the Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove areas.
- 2 Whether the Government is aware of reports that plant life in these regions is being retarded because of pollution from the Black Rock outfall; if so, what action has been taken to remedy this situation.
- 3 How many trees have been planted and maintained in the Black Rock region by the Geelong District Water Board since the commissioning of the new treatment plant.

168 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to—(a) provide resources and support for migrant workers' centres; (b) provide an overseas exchange programme for trade unionists and shop stewards to study overseas working conditions; and (c) examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken in 1987 and 1988 to provide resources and support for migrant workers' centres, indicating—(a) the location of such centres; (b) the personnel involved at each centre; and (c) the date of establishment of each centre.

169 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—(a) the number of appointments made; and (b) the languages spoken by the appointees.
- 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—(a) the date of appointment; (b) the location; (c) whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and (d) the languages spoken.
- 3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—(a) the location; and (b) the number of staff and the functions performed.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.

170 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.
- 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.

171 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to co-ordinate the production of and widen the distribution of multi-lingual information on basic legal rights and duties on bail, probation, legal aid, arrest, investigation by State and Federal departments, industrial rights and awards and workers compensation, indicating in which languages this activity has been undertaken.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to appoint people from ethnic communities to those offices and bodies in the legal system which regularly deal with members of ethnic communities, indicating—(a) how many appointments have been made and to which bodies; and (b) from which ethnic group such people have come in each case.

172 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services and what action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available for all police interviews, indicating—(a) the languages spoken by translators; and (b) the number of occasions when the services of a translator were used during 1988, indicating the language spoken in each case.

173 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken in the production of multi-lingual health information and the development of multi-lingual advice services, indicating the publications and their areas of distribution, respectively.
- 2 How many interpreters/translators are provided by the Government in relation to the delivery of health services at a Government and non-Government level, indicating—(a) the locations at which appointments have been made; (b) the date and duration of each appointment; and (c) the language spoken by the appointees.
- 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to initiate training courses for health-care interpreters and to recruit appropriately qualified bi-lingual health personnel in Australia and overseas, indicating—(a) the location and duration of such courses; (b) the number of students engaged; and (c) the number of qualified people recruited from Australia and overseas indicating the languages covered in courses and recruitment, respectively.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken since April 1982 to develop co-operative projects between hospitals, community health centres and the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the particular projects; (b) the group towards which each project was directed; and (c) the number of people employed in each instance.
- 5 How many additional personnel have been appointed to provide interpreting and bi-lingual counselling services in the fields of—(a) preventative medicine; (b) pre and post-natal services; (c) services for the aged; (d) services for disabled people; and (e) children's health services, respectively since April 1982, indicating, in respect of each category—(i) the location of such personnel; (ii) the date and duration of appointment in each case; and (iii) the languages spoken in each location.

174 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 Which State primary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme.
- 2 Which State secondary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme for all students.
- 3 Which State primary schools teach languages as a normal part of the curriculum at all levels, indicating the languages taught at each school.
- 4 How many students at State secondary schools are learning languages in year 11 and 12 indicating—(a) which languages and how many students at year 11; and (b) which languages and how many students at year 12.

175 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 How many students are enrolled at State primary and secondary schools, respectively in 1989.
- 2 How many permanent teachers are employed by the Ministry of Education at State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 3 How many temporary teachers are employed in 1989 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.

- 4 How many staff are employed by the Ministry of Education in non-teaching roles in 1989, indicating—(a) the number/definition of the role; and (b) the number of non-teaching personnel employed under each definition.
 - 5 How many emergency teachers are currently registered with the Ministry of Education either centrally and/or on a regional basis, indicating—(a) the number of emergency teachers registered centrally and/or regionally; (b) the subjects covered in each case for secondary schools; and (c) the number of primary school emergency teachers in each case.
 - 6 What is the daily rate of pay for emergency teachers in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 176 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many teachers, who were emergency teachers in 1988, have been offered permanent employment as teachers by the Ministry of Education during 1989 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 2 How many teachers, who were emergency teachers in 1987, were offered permanent employment as teachers by the Ministry of Education during 1988 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 177 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each of the years 1987 and 1988:
- 1 How many students were enrolled in non-Government primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 2 How many students were enrolled in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 178 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each of the years 1987 and 1988:
- 1 How many non-Government schools were deregistered, indicating—(a) the name and location of each school; and (b) the reason for deregistration.
 - 2 Which non-Government schools were reviewed/inspected, indicating the name and location of each school.
 - 3 Which non-Government schools were not reviewed/inspected, indicating—(a) the name and location of each school; and (b) the reason for non review/inspection.
- 179 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what the total number of schools was in Victoria as at February 1987 and 1989, respectively, indicating the number in each of the following categories—(a) State primary; (b) State secondary; (c) State special; (d) other primary; (e) other secondary; (f) other special; and (g) any other classification.
- 180 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many special needs children, eligible for integration into regular schools in 1989 were unable to be accommodated at the commencement of the school year and for what reasons.
- 181 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what programmes the Government has in place to provide encouragement and special facilities for secondary students who demonstrate particular technical talent.
- 182 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education which State schools in the electoral district of Williamstown have undergone cyclic maintenance in the past six years, indicating the cost of such maintenance at each school.

- 183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to—
 (a) provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; (b) allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and (c) encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 185 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many members of the Victoria Police are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for police being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of police in each year of WorkCare.
- 186 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many personnel employed with the Victoria State Emergency Service are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for State Emergency Services staff being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of State Emergency Services staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 187 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:
- 1 How many employees of the Ministry for Conservation, Forests and Lands are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for these employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of Conservation, Forests and Lands staff in each year of WorkCare.

- 188 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 How many reviews of the Business Planning System have been undertaken by the Department of Water Resources since the system was introduced for water boards and authorities in Victoria.
 - 2 What other reviews are proposed for the future and what has been the cost of the reviews to—(a) the department; and (b) water boards and authorities.
- 189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.
- 190 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services whether he will provide statistics for all categories of causes of death in Victoria for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date.
- 191 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services whether he will provide full statistics showing details of all categories of crime committed in the Barwon police district for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date, including the clearance rate of such crimes.
- 192 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.
 - 2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.
- 193 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether he received an objection from the Upper Murray Water Board concerning the new garbage tip in Corryong; if so—(a) what were the main points of the objection; and (b) what were the findings and conclusions.
- 194 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:
- 1 Whether greyhounds entered in race events are entered under compulsory stand down penalties should the owners withdraw them; if so, why.
 - 2 Whether greyhounds and horses commence their racing careers as maidens and then self grade through race performances; if so, why are graders employed within dog racing and not within horse racing.
 - 3 Whether he will advise why there are no balloting conditions applied when nominations for dog racing events exceed race field requirements.
 - 4 Whether he is aware of the alarming decline in litter registration numbers; if so, will he take action to ensure—(a) misleading advertising of races; (b) stand down penalties on dogs are withdrawn; (c) the publication of dogs deleted from races along with reasons for deletion; and (d) the system of grading is improved and based on performance.
- 195 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of the withdrawal of Government funding for traineeships in private business colleges in Victoria and the removal of Austudy for their students:
- 1 Whether she will advise what number of traineeships are available in Victoria and how does this compare with the other States.
 - 2 Whether the Government considered reallocating funds from capital equipment items so as to increase the number of traineeships available in

Victoria, particularly the Geelong area; if so, where and with what result; if not, why.

- 3 Whether private providers in Victoria are denied the opportunity to tender for the provision of courses for trainees; if so, why.

196 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post Secondary Education, in view of the withdrawal of Government funding for traineeships in private business colleges in Victoria and the removal of Austudy for their students:

- 1 Whether she will advise what number of traineeships are available in Victoria and how does this compare with the other States.
- 2 Whether the Government considered re-allocating funds from capital equipment items so as to increase the number of traineeships available in Victoria, particularly the Geelong area; if so, where and with what result; if not, why.
- 3 Whether private providers in Victoria are denied the opportunity to tender for the provision of courses for trainees; if so, why.

197 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 Whether she will advise why the rebuilding of two general purpose classrooms at the Oberon primary school is based on a design enrolment figure of 1 to 30 classroom/pupil ratio when the Government promised, prior to the last State election, that classrooms would be provided on a ratio of 1 to 27.
- 2 Whether she will review this building programme and provide general purpose classrooms at Oberon primary school on a ratio of 1 to 27; if not, why.

198 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier:

- 1 How the Government applies the principle of Ministerial responsibility in relation to the direction, management, and operation of a statutory body allocated to a Minister's portfolio.
- 2 Whether a Minister of the Crown can intervene to entertain or implement a course of action so as to rectify a perceived or real problem at board or administration level in the operations within a statutory authority; if so—(a) to what extent; (b) what is the role of the permanent head of a Minister's Department in this situation; and (c) what is the role of a Public Service officer in this situation who holds an appointment within the senior executive service and who has been allocated responsibility for a specific area of activity directly relevant to the activities of a statutory authority.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989

199 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 How many reports the Geelong Regional Office has received relating to school bus overloading since the start of the 1989 school year.
- 2 What action (if any) is being taken to provide additional buses to ensure the safe passage of school children to these schools within the Geelong region.
- 3 Whether she will call for and examine Road Traffic Authority inspection reports applicable to school buses and take the necessary action to ensure the safe running of buses and the observance of load limits.

200 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.

- 2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.
- 201 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he will investigate the reclassification, upgrading and construction of the Belmont-Torquay Highway to cater for additional holiday loads and the needs of the commercial interests at Torquay, which have expanded.
 - 2 Whether construction of a dual carriageway is planned, having regard to the heavy traffic volumes in this region; if so, when will construction be commenced and completed.
- 202 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Geelong sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.
 - 2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.
- 203 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:
- 1 What submissions the Department has received and acted on in relation to the effect of surfactants upon trees in the Barwon coastal region.
 - 2 Whether she will advise what action (if any) has been taken, based upon overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling beach erosion and its application, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.
- 204 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he will advise the expected completion date for construction of the Geelong-Barwon bridge, indicating how these differ from the dates originally proposed.
 - 2 What action the Government has taken to settle the contractor/union dispute since September 1988.
 - 3 Whether Lewis Construction Co. Pty. Ltd., will continue the project; if so—
(a) when; and (b) at what additional contracted cost to the people of Victoria.
- 205 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the Geelong Traffic Safety Centre:
- 1 What submissions the Ministry has received and acted upon in relation to—
(a) additional staff; (b) funding; and (c) further development of the Centre.
 - 2 Whether she will visit the centre; if so, when.
- 206 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of the decision to reduce the allocation of special needs teachers by at least 25 per cent for the 1989 year compared with the allocation for 1988, in most of the twelve primary schools in the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What action (if any) is proposed to assess the impact of this decision, compared with the statistics contained in the 1981 and 1986 census, on—(a) the incidence of single-parent families; (b) the Labour Force Data statistics; and (c) persons born in non-English speaking countries who do not speak English fluently or at all.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry for Education has statistics to substantiate the decision to reduce special needs teachers on the basis of the Ross Methodology Index

based on the 1981 census; if so, will she make these statistics available; if not, on what basis did she decide to reduce the allocation of special needs teachers by at least 25 per cent.

- 207 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services how many electors were requested to explain their failure to vote at the 1985 and 1988 State elections respectively, indicating how many were fined in each case.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 MARCH 1989

- 208 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:
- 1 What the costs are of the departmental study into the establishment of the Carrum water sports centre, indicating what costs have been incurred in each year since April 1982 to date.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to address problems associated with sewerage outfall pollution at the Carrum centre.
 - 3 Whether he has considered representations by the Geelong community for a water sports centre in Geelong where boatsheds and tourist infrastructure are already established; if so, with what result.
 - 4 Whether he will continue to liaise with groups such as the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and the Geelong Canoeist and Rowing Association to co-ordinate developments for the Geelong region.
 - 5 What studies the Department has made in conjunction with Geelong municipal councils and the Geelong Regional Commission to achieve proper water sports facilities in Geelong.
- 209 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning a proposed smelter in the Shire of Corio; if so—(a) what studies have been made; and (b) what findings were communicated to the Shire of Corio and its residents.
- 210 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong–Ballarat and Gheringhap–Inverleigh railway lines:
- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.
 - 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

- 211 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environment Protection Authority licence in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
 - 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the licence standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.
- 212 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what number of crimes was reported in 1988 for the Broadmeadows and Coburg police stations, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.

- 213 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.
- 214 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.
- 215 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 How many apprenticeships have been commenced with the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works during each of the past five years, indicating how many applications were received for apprenticeships during each of those years.
 - 2 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 and whether these positions have been advertised; if so, with what result.
- 216 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services:
- 1 How many apprenticeships have been commenced with the Government Printing Office during each of the past five years, indicating how many applications were received for these apprenticeships during each year.
 - 2 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 and whether these positions have been advertised; if so, with what result.
- 217 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of Totalizator Agency Board agencies in the Electoral District of Reservoir:
- 1 Whether he will advise the location of each agency.
 - 2 What the revenue was of each agency in each of the past 5 financial years.
 - 3 What amounts were available for distribution to—(a) winning bets; (b) Government charges; and (c) Totalizator Agency Board revenue, in respect to each agency and in total.
- 218 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.
- 219 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:
- 1 What the total intake was of apprentices by the State Electricity Commission and the Gas and Fuel Corporation, respectively, in each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships by each authority during each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for the Commission and Corporation, respectively, for 1989, indicating the number of interviews (if any) that have been conducted for these positions.

220 MR RICHARDSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 What facilities are provided in the State primary/secondary school system for children with outstanding talent and/or intellectual ability, indicating—(a) how these children are selected; (b) when these facilities were established; and (c) how many teachers are allocated to such facilities and in what disciplines there are specific facilities.
- 2 How many children with outstanding talent and/or intellectual ability have been given places in special facilities from 1985 to 1989, inclusive, indicating—(a) where such children have been placed; and (b) what subjects have been given special emphasis.

NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

- 221 MR AUSTIN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs:
- 1 What progress has been made in relation to the construction of the food hall at Werribee, indicating—(a) the expected completion date; and (b) the final estimated cost.
 - 2 What hi-tech plant or equipment is proposed to be installed in the food hall.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 11 APRIL 1989**

- 222 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the allocation of special needs staff for 1989 to the Reservoir, Reservoir West, Reservoir East, Preston, Rosebank, Kingsbury, Lakeside, Keon Park, Ruthven, Merrilands and Burbank State primary schools, respectively, in the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 Which individual Ministry officers or group(s) were responsible for the reviewing of special needs staffing for the 1989 school year.
 - 2 What special process was used by those involved and when the process was initiated, indicating—(a) whether records were kept in the process of reviewing and allocating special needs staffing to the schools; and (b) which support groups were required to provide data or research for the review and allocation of special needs staffing from within the Ministry.
- 223 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 Whether documentation exists relating to the allocation of special needs teachers to determine how—(a) 1051 special needs teachers were allocated to schools on the basis of the Ross Index; (b) 349 special needs teachers were allocated to schools for English as a second language; and (c) 260 discretionary special needs teachers were allocated to schools.
 - 2 What dimensions of the Ross Methodology were used to determine the allocations of special needs teachers for 1989.
 - 3 As a result of using Ross Methodology Index Q—(a) what ranking of primary schools across the State resulted; and (b) what allocations for special needs teachers were made for the 1988 school year.
- 224 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the Ministerial working party engaged in reviewing the application of the Ross Methodology to policy relating to the allocation of resources targeted to educational disadvantage associated with low socio-economic status:
- 1 Whether she will—(a) identify the current areas of application of socio-economic indicators to resource allocation decisions; (b) document the application of socio-economic indicators used in the past and currently within schools divisions; and (c) provide guidelines for the future application of socio-economic indicators to resource allocation.
 - 2 Whether she will also provide the information sought above in relation to the decisions made before the Working Party was established and terms of reference set.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 APRIL 1989

- 225 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what was the purchase price of the painting "The Ritual 1986" purchased by the State Library in 1988, and who was the officer responsible for its purchase.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

This issue provides a numerical reference to Questions remaining unanswered, together with the text of Questions lodged on Thursday, 13 April 1989.

The full text of Questions will be issued during the Session on a periodical basis. The last Question Notice Paper containing the full text of all unanswered Questions was issued on Tuesday, 11 April 1989.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

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NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 13 APRIL 1989

NIL

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 18 APRIL 1989**

226 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, further to the answer given on 14 March 1989, to Question on Notice No. 56.

- 1 Whether she will provide—(a) the actual numbers of single parent families; and (b) the level of unemployment, upon which the resultant cuts were made.
- 2 Whether she will provide details of—(a) single parent families; and (b) the level of unemployment, in the Merrilands primary school catchment area and illustrate how these justify the cuts imposed.

227 **MR STEGGAL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each of the following hospitals—Manangatang and District, Nyah and District Bush Nursing, Robinvale and District, Sea Lake Bush Nursing, Swan Hill District, Birchip Bush Nursing, Boort District, Charlton Bush Nursing, Kerang and District, Pyramid Hill Bush Nursing, Wycheproof and District, and Korong Bush Nursing:

- 1 What is the strategic direction for the delivery of health care.
- 2 What consultation has taken place to ensure that health care is appropriate, relevant and reflects the needs of each community.
- 3 Have role and function statements been developed; if so, will the Minister make copies available.
- 4 Whether a health service agreement has been negotiated; if so, will the Minister make copies available.
- 5 What performance indicators were used to evaluate each hospital.
- 6 What are the guidelines/protocols for emergency care treatment.

228 **MR STEGGAL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will make funds available for the Health Department to complete its work in assessing the health needs of the Pyramid Hill sub-region.

229 **MR STEGGAL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, what is the result of investigations into the review of community health needs for Boort, Quambatook and Wycheproof.

230 **MR STEGGAL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Swan Hill:

- 1 What programmes have been funded and administered by the Department since 1985, indicating the capital and recurrent funds expended on each programme, and the year it was expended.

2 What proportion of total State funds for the Arts has been allocated to the district for each financial year since 1984-85.

231 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the past four years, what was the value of goods claimed as lost or stolen from V/Line, indicating—(a) how many claims were made; and (b) the total sum of money paid in settlement of such claims.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 33 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, whether he will provide details on all areas of urban open space in the Geelong region which the Government proposes to sell and redevelop as part of its asset sale program, including—(a) a description of each area of land; and (b) dates on which they are to be sold.
- 34 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, with respect to the promised \$50 million expansion and redevelopment of the Peter McCallum Cancer Institute, whether the Minister will advise—(a) when work will commence on this project; and (b) when work on the redevelopment will be completed.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.

- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.
- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 45 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Transport, investigate the feasibility of utilising the abandoned, large red-brick former electrical building adjoining the Newport railway station, and refurbishing it for a sports centre similar to the Arena in North Geelong, for youth in the Newport area; if so, when; if not, what other plans does the Government have for utilising this building.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 53 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, with regard to the answer given to Question No. 553 asked on 11 March 1986:
- 1 What are the amended figures for 1985 for the number of properties assessed in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe and what was the amount of land tax assessed.
 - 2 How many properties in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were assessed for land tax in 1986 and 1987, respectively and how much land tax was assessed in each year.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers

employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.

- 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
- 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
- 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.

59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:

- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
- 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
- 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
- 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
- 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
- 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for, if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
- 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for, if so, what were the details.
- 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.

61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded "Rocking the Rails" pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:

- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
- 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
- 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
- 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.

64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:

- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
- 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
- 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
- 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
- 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.

- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.
- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.
- 69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
 - 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
 - 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.
- 70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:
- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
 - 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
 - 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
 - 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

- 71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
 - 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
 - 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
 - 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
 - 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.
- 72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
 - 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.
- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers

whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology “Q” index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

- 93 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in relation to the Accident Compensation Tribunal:
- 1 How many vehicles, indicating the types, are maintained by the Tribunal.
 - 2 Whether officers have vehicles allocated to them for their own use; if so, what are the names and positions of the officers.
 - 3 What use has been made of hire cars in calendar year 1988 to date, indicating—(a) the number of trips; and (b) the total cost.
- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.

- 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal's accommodation at Marland House.
 - 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.
- 95 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Accident Compensation Tribunal has appointed a solicitor to its staff to assist the Registrar; if so—(a) why; and (b) how many legally qualified personnel are on either the Tribunal or its staff, indicating the name and position of each.
- 96 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether funds from the Accident Compensation Tribunal Widows Trust account have been invested with the Victoria Development Fund; if so, what amounts, indicating whether they were invested on a "fixed term" or "at call" basis.
- 97 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Deputy Registrar of the Accident Compensation Tribunal signed an authorisation for Arbitrator John Palmer to have a hire car on 6 July 1988 in preference to one of the Tribunal cars not in use on the evening of Tuesday, 5 July; if so, why.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 22 NOVEMBER 1988

- 101 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he is aware that rail travel with V/Line is the only form of public transport in Victoria on which smoking is still permitted.
 - 2 Whether he will inform the House why smoking is permitted on V/Line passenger services but is banned on other State transport services, and on all domestic aircraft service.
 - 3 Whether it is proposed to ban smoking on all V/Line passenger services; if so, when.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

- 102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
Whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

- 108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour
- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
 - 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley's home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
 - 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.
- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will

advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.

- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.
- 111 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will provide details on—(a) the purchase/lease of all vehicles by the Accident Compensation Tribunal, including details of the allocation of the vehicles; (b) the expense accounts, including all travel expenses, entertainment, hire of cars etc., of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar; and (c) the total salary package of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar, respectively, including a full duty statement and all contractual details of their respective salary, expenses and allowances.
- 113 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 116 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 118 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which

have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.

2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.

120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.

121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.

122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:

1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.

2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.

3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.

123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.

124 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of the Government's policy to dispose of surplus land, whether he will identify the various pieces of land by area and name of the present lessee, licensee or occupier that the Government has determined should be disposed of by other means after having offered such land to the present lessee, licensee or occupier; if so,—(i) what method will be used to dispose of each piece of land; and (ii) which Government department and/or agency is involved in each case.

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125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:

1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.

2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.

3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.

126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian

Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.

127 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

- 1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.
- 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the former Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout; if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.

128 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:

- 1 Whether the Minister is aware that patients of Moreland Hall Rehabilitation Program of the Moreland Hall Drug and Alcohol Treatment Centre, 26 Jessie Street, Moreland, have been given notice to vacate the premises of Moreland Hall by 31 December 1988.
- 2 Whether he is aware that the patients issued a statement on 8 November 1988 in which they stated the fear that some of them will die.
- 3 Whether all avenues have been pursued to deal with the plight of these patients; if so—(a) how; (b) when; and (c) with what result.

129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standoff tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.

130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.

131 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.

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137 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the establishment of community health centres:

- 1 What methodology is used when considering the establishment of a centre.
- 2 Whether the setting of priorities relies on the consensus of Members of Parliament in the region as set out in his letter of 8 July 1987 to the Secretary of the Interim Board of Management of the Reservoir community health centre; if not, whether it is to be based on community need.

141 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since

the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 142 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 143 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 144 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 145 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 147 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 148 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 151 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 153 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 154 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 157 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid

out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 159 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 160 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post Secondary Education, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

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- 161 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria prior to the commencement of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 2 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria as at 18 December 1988.
 - 3 How many firearms were handed in during the last firearms amnesty, indicating—(a) how many were destroyed; and (b) what has been done with the remainder.
 - 4 What costs were involved in—(a) television advertising; (b) radio advertising; (c) print media advertising; and (d) any other types of advertising, of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 5 Which advertising agency handled the firearms amnesty account and what payments were made to them.
- 162 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years ended 30 June 1982–1988:
- 1 How many collisions there were between trains and motor vehicles involving loss of life, indicating how many lives were lost in each collision.
 - 2 How many pedestrians were killed by trains in—(a) the Melbourne metropolitan area; and (b) country and provincial Victoria at—(i) railway crossings; (ii) railway stations; and (iii) other sections of railway line, respectively.
 - 3 How many other persons were killed on railway property, indicating the circumstances in each case.
- 163 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources whether investigations have been made into the source of water seepage into properties downstream of the Hurstbridge Basin; if so, what were the findings of the investigations and what action is planned to remedy the problem; if not, when will the problem be investigated.

- 164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
 - 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—*(a)* whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and *(b)* when the equipment will be operative.
- 165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—*(a)* what studies were made; and *(b)* what were the findings in each case.
- 166 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of the multi-million dollar works programme to cap the Werribee sewerage farm outlets to diminish odours, what is the expected benefit to people living on the Bellarine Peninsula.
- 167 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether the Government has carried out an independent impact study of the Geelong Black Rock outfall following continual reports of surf pollution in the Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove areas.
 - 2 Whether the Government is aware of reports that plant life in these regions is being retarded because of pollution from the Black Rock outfall; if so, what action has been taken to remedy this situation.
 - 3 How many trees have been planted and maintained in the Black Rock region by the Geelong District Water Board since the commissioning of the new treatment plant.
- 168 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to—*(a)* provide resources and support for migrant workers' centres; *(b)* provide an overseas exchange programme for trade unionists and shop stewards to study overseas working conditions; and *(c)* examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken in 1987 and 1988 to provide resources and support for migrant workers' centres, indicating—*(a)* the location of such centres; *(b)* the personnel involved at each centre; and *(c)* the date of establishment of each centre.
- 169 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—*(a)* the number of appointments made; and *(b)* the languages spoken by the appointees.
 - 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—*(a)* the date of appointment; *(b)* the location; *(c)* whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and *(d)* the languages spoken.

- 3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—(a) the location; and (b) the number of staff and the functions performed.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.

170 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.
- 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.

171 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to co-ordinate the production of and widen the distribution of multi-lingual information on basic legal rights and duties on bail, probation, legal aid, arrest, investigation by State and Federal departments, industrial rights and awards and workers compensation, indicating in which languages this activity has been undertaken.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to appoint people from ethnic communities to those offices and bodies in the legal system which regularly deal with members of ethnic communities, indicating—(a) how many appointments have been made and to which bodies; and (b) from which ethnic group such people have come in each case.

172 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available for all police interviews, indicating—(a) the languages spoken by translators; and (b) the number of occasions when the services of a translator were used during 1988, indicating the language spoken in each case.

173 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken in the production of multi-lingual health information and the development of multi-lingual advice services, indicating the publications and their areas of distribution, respectively.
- 2 How many interpreters/translators are provided by the Government in relation to the delivery of health services at a Government and non-Government level, indicating—(a) the locations at which appointments have been made; (b) the date and duration of each appointment; and (c) the language spoken by the appointees.
- 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to initiate training courses for health-care interpreters and to recruit appropriately qualified bi-lingual health personnel in Australia and overseas, indicating—(a) the location and duration of such courses; (b) the number of students engaged; and (c) the number of qualified people recruited from Australia and overseas indicating the languages covered in courses and recruitment, respectively.

- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken since April 1982 to develop co-operative projects between hospitals, community health centres and the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the particular projects; (b) the group towards which each project was directed; and (c) the number of people employed in each instance.
 - 5 How many additional personnel have been appointed to provide interpreting and bi-lingual counselling services in the fields of—(a) preventative medicine; (b) pre and post-natal services; (c) services for the aged; (d) services for disabled people; and (e) children's health services, respectively since April 1982, indicating, in respect of each category—(i) the location of such personnel; (ii) the date and duration of appointment in each case; and (iii) the languages spoken in each location.
- 174 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 Which State primary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme.
 - 2 Which State secondary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme for all students.
 - 3 Which State primary schools teach languages as a normal part of the curriculum at all levels, indicating the languages taught at each school.
 - 4 How many students at State secondary schools are learning languages in year 11 and 12 indicating—(a) which languages and how many students at year 11; and (b) which languages and how many students at year 12.
- 175 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many students are enrolled at State primary and secondary schools, respectively in 1989.
 - 2 How many permanent teachers are employed by the Ministry of Education at State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 3 How many temporary teachers are employed in 1989 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 4 How many staff are employed by the Ministry of Education in non-teaching roles in 1989, indicating—(a) the number/definition of the role; and (b) the number of non-teaching personnel employed under each definition.
 - 5 How many emergency teachers are currently registered with the Ministry of Education either centrally and/or on a regional basis, indicating—(a) the number of emergency teachers registered centrally and/or regionally; (b) the subjects covered in each case for secondary schools; and (c) the number of primary school emergency teachers in each case.
 - 6 What is the daily rate of pay for emergency teachers in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 176 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many teachers, who were emergency teachers in 1988, have been offered permanent employment as teachers by the Ministry of Education during 1989 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 2 How many teachers, who were emergency teachers in 1987, were offered permanent employment as teachers by the Ministry of Education during 1988 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 177 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each of the years 1987 and 1988:
- 1 How many students were enrolled in non-Government primary and secondary schools, respectively.

- 2 How many students were enrolled in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 178 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each of the years 1987 and 1988:
- 1 How many non-Government schools were deregistered, indicating—(a) the name and location of each school; and (b) the reason for deregistration.
 - 2 Which non-Government schools were reviewed/inspected, indicating the name and location of each school.
 - 3 Which non-Government schools were not reviewed/inspected, indicating—(a) the name and location of each school; and (b) the reason for non review/inspection.
- 179 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what the total number of schools was in Victoria as at February 1987 and 1989, respectively, indicating the number in each of the following categories—(a) State primary; (b) State secondary; (c) State special; (d) other primary; (e) other secondary; (f) other special; and (g) any other classification.
- 180 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many special needs children, eligible for integration into regular schools in 1989 were unable to be accommodated at the commencement of the school year and for what reasons.
- 181 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what programmes the Government has in place to provide encouragement and special facilities for secondary students who demonstrate particular technical talent.
- 182 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education which State schools in the electoral district of Williamstown have undergone cyclic maintenance in the past six years, indicating the cost of such maintenance at each school.
- 183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to—(a) provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; (b) allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and (c) encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 185 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many members of the Victoria Police are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for police being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.

- 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of police in each year of WorkCare.
- 186 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many personnel employed with the Victoria State Emergency Service are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—
(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for State Emergency Services staff being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of State Emergency Services staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 187 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:
- 1 How many employees of the Ministry for Conservation, Forests and Lands are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—
(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for these employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of Conservation, Forests and Lands staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 188 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 How many reviews of the Business Planning System have been undertaken by the Department of Water Resources since the system was introduced for water boards and authorities in Victoria.
 - 2 What other reviews are proposed for the future and what has been the cost of the reviews to—(a) the department; and (b) water boards and authorities.
- 189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.
- 190 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services whether he will provide statistics for all categories of causes of death in Victoria for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date.
- 191 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services whether he will provide full statistics showing details of all categories of crime committed in the Barwon police district for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date, including the clearance rate of such crimes.
- 192 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.

2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.

193 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether he received an objection from the Upper Murray Water Board concerning the new garbage tip in Corryong; if so—(a) what were the main points of the objection; and (b) what were the findings and conclusions.

194 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

1 Whether greyhounds entered in race events are entered under compulsory stand down penalties should the owners withdraw them; if so, why.

2 Whether greyhounds and horses commence their racing careers as maidens and then self grade through race performances; if so, why are graders employed within dog racing and not within horse racing.

3 Whether he will advise why there are no balloting conditions applied when nominations for dog racing events exceed race field requirements.

4 Whether he is aware of the alarming decline in litter registration numbers; if so, will he take action to ensure—(a) misleading advertising of races; (b) stand down penalties on dogs are withdrawn; (c) the publication of dogs deleted from races along with reasons for deletion; and (d) the system of grading is improved and based on performance.

195 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of the withdrawal of Government funding for traineeships in private business colleges in Victoria and the removal of Austudy for their students:

1 Whether she will advise what number of traineeships are available in Victoria and how does this compare with the other States.

2 Whether the Government considered reallocating funds from capital equipment items so as to increase the number of traineeships available in Victoria, particularly the Geelong area; if so, where and with what result; if not, why.

3 Whether private providers in Victoria are denied the opportunity to tender for the provision of courses for trainees; if so, why.

196 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post Secondary Education, in view of the withdrawal of Government funding for traineeships in private business colleges in Victoria and the removal of Austudy for their students:

1 Whether she will advise what number of traineeships are available in Victoria and how does this compare with the other States.

2 Whether the Government considered re-allocating funds from capital equipment items so as to increase the number of traineeships available in Victoria, particularly the Geelong area; if so, where and with what result; if not, why.

3 Whether private providers in Victoria are denied the opportunity to tender for the provision of courses for trainees; if so, why.

197 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

1 Whether she will advise why the rebuilding of two general purpose classrooms at the Oberon primary school is based on a design enrolment figure of 1 to 30 classroom/pupil ratio when the Government promised, prior to the last State election, that classrooms would be provided on a ratio of 1 to 27.

2 Whether she will review this building programme and provide general purpose classrooms at Oberon primary school on a ratio of 1 to 27; if not, why.

198 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier:

- 1 How the Government applies the principle of Ministerial responsibility in relation to the direction, management, and operation of a statutory body allocated to a Minister's portfolio.
- 2 Whether a Minister of the Crown can intervene to entertain or implement a course of action so as to rectify a perceived or real problem at board or administration level in the operations within a statutory authority; if so—
(a) to what extent; (b) what is the role of the permanent head of a Minister's Department in this situation; and (c) what is the role of a Public Service officer in this situation who holds an appointment within the senior executive service and who has been allocated responsibility for a specific area of activity directly relevant to the activities of a statutory authority.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989

199 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 How many reports the Geelong Regional Office has received relating to school bus overloading since the start of the 1989 school year.
- 2 What action (if any) is being taken to provide additional buses to ensure the safe passage of school children to these schools within the Geelong region.
- 3 Whether she will call for and examine Road Traffic Authority inspection reports applicable to school buses and take the necessary action to ensure the safe running of buses and the observance of load limits.

200 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.
- 2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.

201 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether he will investigate the reclassification, upgrading and construction of the Belmont-Torquay Highway to cater for additional holiday loads and the needs of the commercial interests at Torquay, which have expanded.
- 2 Whether construction of a dual carriageway is planned, having regard to the heavy traffic volumes in this region; if so, when will construction be commenced and completed.

202 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:

- 1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Geelong sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.
- 2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.

203 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:

- 1 What submissions the Department has received and acted on in relation to the effect of surfactants upon trees in the Barwon coastal region.

- 2 Whether she will advise what action (if any) has been taken, based upon overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling beach erosion and its application, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.
- 204 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether he will advise the expected completion date for construction of the Geelong-Barwon bridge, indicating how these differ from the dates originally proposed.
 - 2 What action the Government has taken to settle the contractor/union dispute since September 1988.
 - 3 Whether Lewis Construction Co. Pty. Ltd., will continue the project; if so—(a) when; and (b) at what additional contracted cost to the people of Victoria.
- 205 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the Geelong Traffic Safety Centre:
- 1 What submissions the Ministry has received and acted upon in relation to—(a) additional staff; (b) funding; and (c) further development of the Centre.
 - 2 Whether she will visit the centre; if so, when.
- 206 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of the decision to reduce the allocation of special needs teachers by at least 25 per cent for the 1989 year compared with the allocation for 1988, in most of the twelve primary schools in the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What action (if any) is proposed to assess the impact of this decision, compared with the statistics contained in the 1981 and 1986 census, on—(a) the incidence of single-parent families; (b) the Labour Force Data statistics; and (c) persons born in non-English speaking countries who do not speak English fluently or at all.
 - 2 Whether the Ministry for Education has statistics to substantiate the decision to reduce special needs teachers on the basis of the Ross Methodology Index based on the 1981 census; if so, will she make these statistics available; if not, on what basis did she decide to reduce the allocation of special needs teachers by at least 25 per cent.
- 207 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services how many electors were requested to explain their failure to vote at the 1985 and 1988 State elections respectively, indicating how many were fined in each case.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 MARCH 1989

- 208 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:
- 1 What the costs are of the departmental study into the establishment of the Carrum water sports centre, indicating what costs have been incurred in each year since April 1982 to date.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to address problems associated with sewerage outfall pollution at the Carrum centre.
 - 3 Whether he has considered representations by the Geelong community for a water sports centre in Geelong where boatsheds and tourist infrastructure are already established; if so, with what result.
 - 4 Whether he will continue to liaise with groups such as the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and the Geelong Canoeist and Rowing Association to co-ordinate developments for the Geelong region.
 - 5 What studies the Department has made in conjunction with Geelong municipal councils and the Geelong Regional Commission to achieve proper water sports facilities in Geelong.

- 209 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning a proposed smelter in the Shire of Corio; if so—(a) what studies have been made; and (b) what findings were communicated to the Shire of Corio and its residents.
- 210 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong–Ballarat and Gheringhap–Inverleigh railway lines:
- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.
 - 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

- 211 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environment Protection Authority licence in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
 - 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the licence standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.
- 212 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what number of crimes was reported in 1988 for the Broadmeadows and Coburg police stations, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.
- 213 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.
- 214 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.
- 215 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 How many apprenticeships have been commenced with the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works during each of the past five years, indicating how many applications were received for apprenticeships during each of those years.
 - 2 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 and whether these positions have been advertised; if so, with what result.
- 216 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services:
- 1 How many apprenticeships have been commenced with the Government Printing Office during each of the past five years, indicating how many applications were received for these apprenticeships during each year.
 - 2 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 and whether these positions have been advertised; if so, with what result.

- 217 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of Totalizator Agency Board agencies in the Electoral District of Reservoir:
- 1 Whether he will advise the location of each agency.
 - 2 What the revenue was of each agency in each of the past 5 financial years.
 - 3 What amounts were available for distribution to—(a) winning bets; (b) Government charges; and (c) Totalizator Agency Board revenue, in respect to each agency and in total.
- 218 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.
- 219 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:
- 1 What the total intake was of apprentices by the State Electricity Commission and the Gas and Fuel Corporation, respectively, in each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships by each authority during each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for the Commission and Corporation, respectively, for 1989, indicating the number of interviews (if any) that have been conducted for these positions.
- 220 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 What facilities are provided in the State primary/secondary school system for children with outstanding talent and/or intellectual ability, indicating—(a) how these children are selected; (b) when these facilities were established; and (c) how many teachers are allocated to such facilities and in what disciplines there are specific facilities.
 - 2 How many children with outstanding talent and/or intellectual ability have been given places in special facilities from 1985 to 1989, inclusive, indicating—(a) where such children have been placed; and (b) what subjects have been given special emphasis.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 MARCH 1989

- 221 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs:
- 1 What progress has been made in relation to the construction of the food hall at Werribee, indicating—(a) the expected completion date; and (b) the final estimated cost.
 - 2 What hi-tech plant or equipment is proposed to be installed in the food hall.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 11 APRIL 1989

- 222 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the allocation of special needs staff for 1989 to the Reservoir, Reservoir West, Reservoir East, Preston, Rosebank, Kingsbury, Lakeside, Keon Park, Ruthven, Merrilands and Burbank State primary schools, respectively, in the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 Which individual Ministry officers or group(s) were responsible for the reviewing of special needs staffing for the 1989 school year.

- 2 What special process was used by those involved and when the process was initiated, indicating—(a) whether records were kept in the process of reviewing and allocating special needs staffing to the schools; and (b) which support groups were required to provide data or research for the review and allocation of special needs staffing from within the Ministry.

223 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:

- 1 Whether documentation exists relating to the allocation of special needs teachers to determine how—(a) 1051 special needs teachers were allocated to schools on the basis of the Ross Index; (b) 349 special needs teachers were allocated to schools for English as a second language; and (c) 260 discretionary special needs teachers were allocated to schools.
- 2 What dimensions of the Ross Methodology were used to determine the allocations of special needs teachers for 1989.
- 3 As a result of using Ross Methodology Index Q—(a) what ranking of primary schools across the State resulted; and (b) what allocations for special needs teachers were made for the 1988 school year.

224 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the Ministerial working party engaged in reviewing the application of the Ross Methodology to policy relating to the allocation of resources targeted to educational disadvantage associated with low socio-economic status:

- 1 Whether she will—(a) identify the current areas of application of socio-economic indicators to resource allocation decisions; (b) document the application of socio-economic indicators used in the past and currently within schools divisions; and (c) provide guidelines for the future application of socio-economic indicators to resource allocation.
- 2 Whether she will also provide the information sought above in relation to the decisions made before the Working Party was established and terms of reference set.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 APRIL 1989

225 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what was the purchase price of the painting "The Ritual 1986" purchased by the State Library in 1988, and who was the officer responsible for its purchase.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 18 APRIL 1989

226 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, further to the answer given on 14 March 1989, to Question on Notice No. 56.

- 1 Whether she will provide—(a) the actual numbers of single parent families; and (b) the level of unemployment, upon which the resultant cuts were made.
- 2 Whether she will provide details of—(a) single parent families; and (b) the level of unemployment, in the Merrilands primary school catchment area and illustrate how these justify the cuts imposed.

227 **MR STEGGAL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each of the following hospitals—Manangatang and District, Nyah and District Bush Nursing, Robinvale and District, Sea Lake Bush Nursing, Swan Hill District, Birchip Bush Nursing, Boort District, Charlton Bush Nursing, Kerang and District, Pyramid Hill Bush Nursing, Wycheproof and District, and Korong Bush Nursing:

- 1 What is the strategic direction for the delivery of health care.

- 2 What consultation has taken place to ensure that health care is appropriate, relevant and reflects the needs of each community.
 - 3 Have role and function statements been developed; if so, will the Minister make copies available.
 - 4 Whether a health service agreement has been negotiated; if so, will the Minister make copies available.
 - 5 What performance indicators were used to evaluate each hospital.
 - 6 What are the guidelines/protocols for emergency care treatment.
- 228 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will make funds available for the Health Department to complete its work in assessing the health needs of the Pyramid Hill sub-region.
- 229 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, what is the result of investigations into the review of community health needs for Boort, Quambatook and Wycheproof.
- 230 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Swan Hill:
- 1 What programmes have been funded and administered by the Department since 1985, indicating the capital and recurrent funds expended on each programme, and the year it was expended.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds for the Arts has been allocated to the district for each financial year since 1984–85.
- 231 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the past four years, what was the value of goods claimed as lost or stolen from V/Line, indicating—(a) how many claims were made; and (b) the total sum of money paid in settlement of such claims.

NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 20 APRIL 1989

NIL

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 MAY 1989**

- 232 **MR MATHEWS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each hospital in receipt of payments from the Victorian Government:
- 1 Which hospitals—(a) did; and (b) did not, respond to the questionnaire on quality assurance distributed by the Australian Institute of Health in 1987 and reported upon in the Institute's publication "Quality Assurance in Hospitals" in 1989.
 - 2 Whether procedures are in place for the regular conduct of—(a) patient care reviews; (b) utilisation reviews; (c) patient satisfaction surveys; (d) medical records reviews; (e) clinical reviews; (f) associated health professional reviews; (g) infection control; and (h) incident reports.
- 233 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Road Construction Authority, Road Traffic Authority, State Transport Authority, Metropolitan Transit Authority, Port of Portland Authority, Port of Geelong Authority, and Port of Melbourne Authority:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 234 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Major Projects Unit:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 235 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 236 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for municipalities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 237 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in view of delays in the

Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within her administration:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 238 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 239 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 240 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post-Secondary Education, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for universities and tertiary institutions:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 241 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 242 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Alpine Resorts Commission:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 243 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 244 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask Honourable the Attorney-General, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 245 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the State Electricity Commission, the Gas and Fuel Corporation, the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation, the Geelong Regional Commission, and the Latrobe Regional Commission:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 246 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each agency and authority within the Ministry of Housing:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 247 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Department of Labour:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 248 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Rural Finance Commission:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 249 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Stamp Duties Office:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 250 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, the Rural Water Commission, the Dandenong Valley Authority, and Water and Sewerage authorities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 251 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 252 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 What is the exact cost of the Police inquiries into Department of Labour Inspector, Mr Geoff Williams.

- 2 Whether police officers are required to enter on their weekly time sheets what work they performed in that week.
- 253 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, how many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the period from August 1986 to April 1989, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 254 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the publication "Direction of Occupational Health and Safety Consultants in Victoria 1989":
- 1 Whether advertisements were placed seeking responses from health and safety consultants wishing to be listed in the publication; if so—(a) where the advertisements were placed; (b) over what period of time the advertisements were placed; (c) whether any of the advertisements were placed in trade union owned/sponsored newspapers or periodicals, indicating—(i) the newspaper of periodicals, and (ii) the proportion of the advertising campaign; and (d) what the total cost of the advertising programme was.
 - 2 Whether the Department of Labour obtained legal advice on the effectiveness of the disclaimer contained in the Directory in the event of any legal action arising from publication of the Directory; if so, what advice was received.
 - 3 How many copies of the directory have been printed, indicating—(a) the total cost of printing and distribution (including paper); (b) who printed the Directory; and (c) who compiled and proof read the document, and at what cost.
 - 4 Whether any departmental staff were involved in the preparation of the directory; if so—(i) in what areas; and (ii) what the cost was of this resource allocation.
 - 5 Whether any action was taken to verify the credential of private consultants listed in the Directory; of so, what action.
 - 6 Whether the Department fully-funded the publication; if so, at what cost; if not, who provided the funds.
 - 7 Whether any legal action has been initiated as a result of the National Safety Council listing and its failure to deliver any services contracted for; if so, is the Government defending the disclaimer published in the Directory.
 - 8 Whether the Department is aware of any consultants using their Directory listing for advertising purposes; if so, is any action being taken against the offending consultants.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

This issue provides a numerical reference to Questions remaining unanswered, together with the text of Questions lodged on Thursday, 4 May 1989.

The full text of Questions will be issued during the Session on a periodical basis. The last Question Notice Paper containing the full text of all unanswered Questions was issued on Tuesday, 2 May 1989.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

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NEW QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 4 MAY 1989

255 **MR HONEYWOOD**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, how frequently tenants of the Ministry of Housing are means tested.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988**

- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 33 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, whether he will provide details on all areas of urban open space in the Geelong region which the Government proposes to sell and redevelop as part of its asset sale program, including—(a) a description of each area of land; and (b) dates on which they are to be sold.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.

- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.
- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 45 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Transport, investigate the feasibility of utilising the abandoned, large red-brick former electrical building adjoining the Newport railway station, and refurbishing it for a sports centre similar to the Arena in North Geelong, for youth in the Newport area; if so, when; if not, what other plans does the Government have for utilising this building.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.

- 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.
 - 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
 - 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.
- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
 - 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.
- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.

- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.
- 69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4·3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
 - 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4·3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4·3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
 - 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4·3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.
- 70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:
- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4·3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
 - 2 Whether vehicles over 4·3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
 - 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4·3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
 - 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4·3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.
- 71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
 - 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.

- 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
 - 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
 - 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.
- 72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
 - 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.
- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology “Q” index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

- 93 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in relation to the Accident Compensation Tribunal:
- 1 How many vehicles, indicating the types, are maintained by the Tribunal.
 - 2 Whether officers have vehicles allocated to them for their own use; if so, what are the names and positions of the officers.
 - 3 What use has been made of hire cars in calendar year 1988 to date, indicating—(a) the number of trips; and (b) the total cost.
- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
 - 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal’s accommodation at Marland House.

4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.

- 95 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Accident Compensation Tribunal has appointed a solicitor to its staff to assist the Registrar; if so—(a) why; and (b) how many legally qualified personnel are on either the Tribunal or its staff, indicating the name and position of each.
- 96 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether funds from the Accident Compensation Tribunal Widows Trust account have been invested with the Victoria Development Fund; if so, what amounts, indicating whether they were invested on a “fixed term” or “at call” basis.
- 97 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer whether the Deputy Registrar of the Accident Compensation Tribunal signed an authorisation for Arbitrator John Palmer to have a hire car on 6 July 1988 in preference to one of the Tribunal cars not in use on the evening of Tuesday, 5 July; if so, why.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

- 102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, Whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

- 108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour
- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
 - 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley’s home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
 - 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.
- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.
- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.
- 111 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, whether he will provide details on—(a) the purchase/lease of all vehicles by the Accident Compensation Tribunal, including details of the allocation of the vehicles; (b) the expense accounts, including all travel expenses, entertainment, hire of cars etc., of the Registrar and Deputy

Registrar; and (c) the total salary package of the Registrar and Deputy Registrar, respectively, including a full duty statement and all contractual details of their respective salary, expenses and allowances.

- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 118 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.
- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.
- 124 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of the Government's policy to dispose of surplus land, whether he will identify the various pieces of land by area and name of the present lessee, licensee or occupier that the Government has determined should be disposed of by other means after having offered such land to the present lessee, licensee or occupier; if

so,—(i) what method will be used to dispose of each piece of land; and (ii) which Government department and/or agency is involved in each case.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—
(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.
- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.
- 127 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the former Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout; if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.
- 128 **MRS SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether the Minister is aware that patients of Moreland Hall Rehabilitation Program of the Moreland Hall Drug and Alcohol Treatment Centre, 26 Jessie Street, Moreland, have been given notice to vacate the premises of Moreland Hall by 31 December 1988.
 - 2 Whether he is aware that the patients issued a statement on 8 November 1988 in which they stated the fear that some of them will die.
 - 3 Whether all avenues have been pursued to deal with the plight of these patients; if so—(a) how; (b) when; and (c) with what result.
- 129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.
- 130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act*

1978 against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.

- 131 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 DECEMBER 1988

- 137 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the establishment of community health centres:
- 1 What methodology is used when considering the establishment of a centre.
 - 2 Whether the setting of priorities relies on the consensus of Members of Parliament in the region as set out in his letter of 8 July 1987 to the Secretary of the Interim Board of Management of the Reservoir community health centre; if not, whether it is to be based on community need.
- 141 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 142 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 143 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 144 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 145 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae

have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 147 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 148 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 151 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 153 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 157 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect to each department, agency

or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 160 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post Secondary Education, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 MARCH 1989

- 161 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria prior to the commencement of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 2 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria as at 18 December 1988.
 - 3 How many firearms were handed in during the last firearms amnesty, indicating—(a) how many were destroyed; and (b) what has been done with the remainder.
 - 4 What costs were involved in—(a) television advertising; (b) radio advertising; (c) print media advertising; and (d) any other types of advertising, of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 5 Which advertising agency handled the firearms amnesty account and what payments were made to them.
- 162 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years ended 30 June 1982–1988:
- 1 How many collisions there were between trains and motor vehicles involving loss of life, indicating how many lives were lost in each collision.
 - 2 How many pedestrians were killed by trains in—(a) the Melbourne metropolitan area; and (b) country and provincial Victoria at—(i) railway crossings; (ii) railway stations; and (iii) other sections of railway line, respectively.
 - 3 How many other persons were killed on railway property, indicating the circumstances in each case.
- 163 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources whether investigations have been made into the source of water seepage into properties downstream of the Hurstbridge Basin; if so, what were the findings of the investigations and what action is planned to remedy the problem; if not, when will the problem be investigated.

- 164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
 - 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—*(a)* whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and *(b)* when the equipment will be operative.
- 165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—*(a)* what studies were made; and *(b)* what were the findings in each case.
- 166 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of the multi-million dollar works programme to cap the Werribee sewerage farm outlets to diminish odours, what is the expected benefit to people living on the Bellarine Peninsula.
- 167 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether the Government has carried out an independent impact study of the Geelong Black Rock outfall following continual reports of surf pollution in the Barwon Heads and Ocean Grove areas.
 - 2 Whether the Government is aware of reports that plant life in these regions is being retarded because of pollution from the Black Rock outfall; if so, what action has been taken to remedy this situation.
 - 3 How many trees have been planted and maintained in the Black Rock region by the Geelong District Water Board since the commissioning of the new treatment plant.
- 169 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—*(a)* the number of appointments made; and *(b)* the languages spoken by the appointees.
 - 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—*(a)* the date of appointment; *(b)* the location; *(c)* whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and *(d)* the languages spoken.
 - 3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—*(a)* the location; and *(b)* the number of staff and the functions performed.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.
- 170 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.

- 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.
- 172 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available for all police interviews, indicating—(a) the languages spoken by translators; and (b) the number of occasions when the services of a translator were used during 1988, indicating the language spoken in each case.
- 173 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken in the production of multi-lingual health information and the development of multi-lingual advice services, indicating the publications and their areas of distribution, respectively.
 - 2 How many interpreters/translators are provided by the Government in relation to the delivery of health services at a Government and non-Government level, indicating—(a) the locations at which appointments have been made; (b) the date and duration of each appointment; and (c) the language spoken by the appointees.
 - 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to initiate training courses for health-care interpreters and to recruit appropriately qualified bi-lingual health personnel in Australia and overseas, indicating—(a) the location and duration of such courses; (b) the number of students engaged; and (c) the number of qualified people recruited from Australia and overseas indicating the languages covered in courses and recruitment, respectively.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken since April 1982 to develop co-operative projects between hospitals, community health centres and the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the particular projects; (b) the group towards which each project was directed; and (c) the number of people employed in each instance.
 - 5 How many additional personnel have been appointed to provide interpreting and bi-lingual counselling services in the fields of—(a) preventative medicine; (b) pre and post-natal services; (c) services for the aged; (d) services for disabled people; and (e) children's health services, respectively since April 1982, indicating, in respect of each category—(i) the location of such personnel; (ii) the date and duration of appointment in each case; and (iii) the languages spoken in each location.
- 174 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 Which State primary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme.
 - 2 Which State secondary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme for all students.
 - 3 Which State primary schools teach languages as a normal part of the curriculum at all levels, indicating the languages taught at each school.
 - 4 How many students at State secondary schools are learning languages in year 11 and 12 indicating—(a) which languages and how many students at year 11; and (b) which languages and how many students at year 12.
- 175 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many students are enrolled at State primary and secondary schools, respectively in 1989.

- 2 How many permanent teachers are employed by the Ministry of Education at State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 3 How many temporary teachers are employed in 1989 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 4 How many staff are employed by the Ministry of Education in non-teaching roles in 1989, indicating—(a) the number/definition of the role; and (b) the number of non-teaching personnel employed under each definition.
 - 5 How many emergency teachers are currently registered with the Ministry of Education either centrally and/or on a regional basis, indicating—(a) the number of emergency teachers registered centrally and/or regionally; (b) the subjects covered in each case for secondary schools; and (c) the number of primary school emergency teachers in each case.
 - 6 What is the daily rate of pay for emergency teachers in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 176 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many teachers, who were emergency teachers in 1988, have been offered permanent employment as teachers by the Ministry of Education during 1989 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
 - 2 How many teachers, who were emergency teachers in 1987, were offered permanent employment as teachers by the Ministry of Education during 1988 in State primary and secondary schools, respectively.
- 178 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each of the years 1987 and 1988:
- 1 How many non-Government schools were deregistered, indicating—(a) the name and location of each school; and (b) the reason for deregistration.
 - 2 Which non-Government schools were reviewed/inspected, indicating the name and location of each school.
 - 3 Which non-Government schools were not reviewed/inspected, indicating—(a) the name and location of each school; and (b) the reason for non review/inspection.
- 180 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many special needs children, eligible for integration into regular schools in 1989 were unable to be accommodated at the commencement of the school year and for what reasons.
- 181 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what programmes the Government has in place to provide encouragement and special facilities for secondary students who demonstrate particular technical talent.
- 183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to—(a) provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; (b) allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and (c) encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.

- 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 185 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many members of the Victoria Police are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for police being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of police in each year of WorkCare.
- 186 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many personnel employed with the Victoria State Emergency Service are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for State Emergency Services staff being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of State Emergency Services staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 187 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:
- 1 How many employees of the Ministry for Conservation, Forests and Lands are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for these employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of Conservation, Forests and Lands staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 188 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 How many reviews of the Business Planning System have been undertaken by the Department of Water Resources since the system was introduced for water boards and authorities in Victoria.
 - 2 What other reviews are proposed for the future and what has been the cost of the reviews to—(a) the department; and (b) water boards and authorities.
- 189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.

- 191 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services whether he will provide full statistics showing details of all categories of crime committed in the Barwon police district for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date, including the clearance rate of such crimes.
- 192 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.
 - 2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.
- 194 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:
- 1 Whether greyhounds entered in race events are entered under compulsory stand down penalties should the owners withdraw them; if so, why.
 - 2 Whether greyhounds and horses commence their racing careers as maidens and then self grade through race performances; if so, why are graders employed within dog racing and not within horse racing.
 - 3 Whether he will advise why there are no balloting conditions applied when nominations for dog racing events exceed race field requirements.
 - 4 Whether he is aware of the alarming decline in litter registration numbers; if so, will he take action to ensure—(a) misleading advertising of races; (b) stand down penalties on dogs are withdrawn; (c) the publication of dogs deleted from races along with reasons for deletion; and (d) the system of grading is improved and based on performance.
- 195 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of the withdrawal of Government funding for traineeships in private business colleges in Victoria and the removal of Austudy for their students:
- 1 Whether she will advise what number of traineeships are available in Victoria and how does this compare with the other States.
 - 2 Whether the Government considered reallocating funds from capital equipment items so as to increase the number of traineeships available in Victoria, particularly the Geelong area; if so, where and with what result; if not, why.
 - 3 Whether private providers in Victoria are denied the opportunity to tender for the provision of courses for trainees; if so, why.
- 196 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post Secondary Education, in view of the withdrawal of Government funding for traineeships in private business colleges in Victoria and the removal of Austudy for their students:
- 1 Whether she will advise what number of traineeships are available in Victoria and how does this compare with the other States.
 - 2 Whether the Government considered re-allocating funds from capital equipment items so as to increase the number of traineeships available in Victoria, particularly the Geelong area; if so, where and with what result; if not, why.
 - 3 Whether private providers in Victoria are denied the opportunity to tender for the provision of courses for trainees; if so, why.
- 197 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 Whether she will advise why the rebuilding of two general purpose classrooms at the Oberon primary school is based on a design enrolment figure of 1 to 30

classroom/pupil ratio when the Government promised, prior to the last State election, that classrooms would be provided on a ratio of 1 to 27.

- 2 Whether she will review this building programme and provide general purpose classrooms at Oberon primary school on a ratio of 1 to 27; if not, why.

198 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier:

- 1 How the Government applies the principle of Ministerial responsibility in relation to the direction, management, and operation of a statutory body allocated to a Minister's portfolio.
- 2 Whether a Minister of the Crown can intervene to entertain or implement a course of action so as to rectify a perceived or real problem at board or administration level in the operations within a statutory authority; if so—*(a)* to what extent; *(b)* what is the role of the permanent head of a Minister's Department in this situation; and *(c)* what is the role of a Public Service officer in this situation who holds an appointment within the senior executive service and who has been allocated responsibility for a specific area of activity directly relevant to the activities of a statutory authority.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989

200 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.
- 2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.

202 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:

- 1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Geelong sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.
- 2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.

203 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:

- 1 What submissions the Department has received and acted on in relation to the effect of surfactants upon trees in the Barwon coastal region.
- 2 Whether she will advise what action (if any) has been taken, based upon overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling beach erosion and its application, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.

205 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the Geelong Traffic Safety Centre:

- 1 What submissions the Ministry has received and acted upon in relation to—*(a)* additional staff; *(b)* funding; and *(c)* further development of the Centre.
- 2 Whether she will visit the centre; if so, when.

206 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of the decision to reduce the allocation of special needs teachers by at least 25 per cent for the 1989 year compared with the allocation for 1988, in most of the twelve primary schools in the electoral district of Reservoir:

- 1 What action (if any) is proposed to assess the impact of this decision, compared with the statistics contained in the 1981 and 1986 census, on—(a) the incidence of single-parent families; (b) the Labour Force Data statistics; and (c) persons born in non-English speaking countries who do not speak English fluently or at all.
- 2 Whether the Ministry for Education has statistics to substantiate the decision to reduce special needs teachers on the basis of the Ross Methodology Index based on the 1981 census; if so, will she make these statistics available; if not, on what basis did she decide to reduce the allocation of special needs teachers by at least 25 per cent.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 MARCH 1989

208 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

- 1 What the costs are of the departmental study into the establishment of the Carrum water sports centre, indicating what costs have been incurred in each year since April 1982 to date.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to address problems associated with sewerage outfall pollution at the Carrum centre.
- 3 Whether he has considered representations by the Geelong community for a water sports centre in Geelong where boatsheds and tourist infrastructure are already established; if so, with what result.
- 4 Whether he will continue to liaise with groups such as the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and the Geelong Canoeist and Rowing Association to co-ordinate developments for the Geelong region.
- 5 What studies the Department has made in conjunction with Geelong municipal councils and the Geelong Regional Commission to achieve proper water sports facilities in Geelong.

210 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong–Ballarat and Gheringhap–Inverleigh railway lines:

- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.
- 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

211 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:

- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environment Protection Authority licence in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
- 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the licence standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.

- 212 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what number of crimes was reported in 1988 for the Broadmeadows and Coburg police stations, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.
- 213 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.
- 214 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.
- 215 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 How many apprenticeships have been commenced with the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works during each of the past five years, indicating how many applications were received for apprenticeships during each of those years.
 - 2 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 and whether these positions have been advertised; if so, with what result.
- 217 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of Totalizator Agency Board agencies in the Electoral District of Reservoir:
- 1 Whether he will advise the location of each agency.
 - 2 What the revenue was of each agency in each of the past 5 financial years.
 - 3 What amounts were available for distribution to—(a) winning bets; (b) Government charges; and (c) Totalizator Agency Board revenue, in respect to each agency and in total.
- 218 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.
- 219 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources:
- 1 What the total intake was of apprentices by the State Electricity Commission and the Gas and Fuel Corporation, respectively, in each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships by each authority during each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for the Commission and Corporation, respectively, for 1989, indicating the number of interviews (if any) that have been conducted for these positions.
- 220 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 What facilities are provided in the State primary/secondary school system for children with outstanding talent and/or intellectual ability, indicating—(a) how these children are selected; (b) when these facilities were established; and

- (c) how many teachers are allocated to such facilities and in what disciplines there are specific facilities.
- 2 How many children with outstanding talent and/or intellectual ability have been given places in special facilities from 1985 to 1989, inclusive, indicating—(a) where such children have been placed; and (b) what subjects have been given special emphasis.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 MARCH 1989

- 221 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs:
- 1 What progress has been made in relation to the construction of the food hall at Werribee, indicating—(a) the expected completion date; and (b) the final estimated cost.
 - 2 What hi-tech plant or equipment is proposed to be installed in the food hall.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 11 APRIL 1989

- 222 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the allocation of special needs staff for 1989 to the Reservoir, Reservoir West, Reservoir East, Preston, Rosebank, Kingsbury, Lakeside, Keon Park, Ruthven, Merrilands and Burbank State primary schools, respectively, in the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 Which individual Ministry officers or group(s) were responsible for the reviewing of special needs staffing for the 1989 school year.
 - 2 What special process was used by those involved and when the process was initiated, indicating—(a) whether records were kept in the process of reviewing and allocating special needs staffing to the schools; and (b) which support groups were required to provide data or research for the review and allocation of special needs staffing from within the Ministry.
- 223 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 Whether documentation exists relating to the allocation of special needs teachers to determine how—(a) 1051 special needs teachers were allocated to schools on the basis of the Ross Index; (b) 349 special needs teachers were allocated to schools for English as a second language; and (c) 260 discretionary special needs teachers were allocated to schools.
 - 2 What dimensions of the Ross Methodology were used to determine the allocations of special needs teachers for 1989.
 - 3 As a result of using Ross Methodology Index Q—(a) what ranking of primary schools across the State resulted; and (b) what allocations for special needs teachers were made for the 1988 school year.
- 224 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of the Ministerial Working Party engaged in reviewing the application of the Ross Methodology to policy relating to the allocation of resources targeted to educational disadvantage associated with low socio-economic status:
- 1 Whether she will—(a) identify the current areas of application of socio-economic indicators to resource allocation decisions; (b) document the application of socio-economic indicators used in the past and currently within schools divisions; and (c) provide guidelines for the future application of socio-economic indicators to resource allocation.
 - 2 Whether she will also provide the information sought above in relation to the decisions made before the Working Party was established and terms of reference set.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 APRIL 1989

- 225 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what was the purchase price of the painting “The Ritual 1986” purchased by the State Library in 1988, and who was the officer responsible for its purchase.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 18 APRIL 1989

- 226 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, further to the answer given on 14 March 1989, to Question on Notice No. 56.
- 1 Whether she will provide—(a) the actual numbers of single parent families; and (b) the level of unemployment, upon which the resultant cuts were made.
 - 2 Whether she will provide details of—(a) single parent families; and (b) the level of unemployment, in the Merrilands primary school catchment area and illustrate how these justify the cuts imposed.
- 227 **MR STEGGAL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each of the following hospitals—Manangatang and District, Nyah and District Bush Nursing, Robinvale and District, Sea Lake Bush Nursing, Swan Hill District, Birchip Bush Nursing, Boort District, Charlton Bush Nursing, Kerang and District, Pyramid Hill Bush Nursing, Wycheproof and District, and Korong Bush Nursing:
- 1 What is the strategic direction for the delivery of health care.
 - 2 What consultation has taken place to ensure that health care is appropriate, relevant and reflects the needs of each community.
 - 3 Have role and function statements been developed; if so, will the Minister make copies available.
 - 4 Whether a health service agreement has been negotiated; if so, will the Minister make copies available.
 - 5 What performance indicators were used to evaluate each hospital.
 - 6 What are the guidelines/protocols for emergency care treatment.
- 228 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will make funds available for the Health Department to complete its work in assessing the health needs of the Pyramid Hill sub-region.
- 229 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, what is the result of investigations into the review of community health needs for Boort, Quambatook and Wycheproof.
- 230 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Swan Hill:
- 1 What programmes have been funded and administered by the Department since 1985, indicating the capital and recurrent funds expended on each programme, and the year it was expended.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds for the Arts has been allocated to the district for each financial year since 1984–85.
- 231 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the past four years, what was the value of goods claimed as lost or stolen from

V/Line, indicating—(a) how many claims were made; and (b) the total sum of money paid in settlement of such claims.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 MAY 1989

- 232 **MR MATHEWS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each hospital in receipt of payments from the Victorian Government:
- 1 Which hospitals—(a) did; and (b) did not, respond to the questionnaire on quality assurance distributed by the Australian Institute of Health in 1987 and reported upon in the Institute's publication "Quality Assurance in Hospitals" in 1989.
 - 2 Whether procedures are in place for the regular conduct of—(a) patient care reviews; (b) utilisation reviews; (c) patient satisfaction surveys; (d) medical records reviews; (e) clinical reviews; (f) associated health professional reviews; (g) infection control; and (h) incident reports.
- 233 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Road Construction Authority, Road Traffic Authority, State Transport Authority, Metropolitan Transit Authority, Port of Portland Authority, Port of Geelong Authority and Port of Melbourne Authority:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 234 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Major Projects Unit:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 235 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 236 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for municipalities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 237 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 238 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 239 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 240 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post-Secondary Education, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for universities and tertiary institutions:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 241 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 242 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Alpine Resorts Commission:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 243 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 244 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask Honourable the Attorney-General, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 245 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the State Electricity Commission, the

Gas and Fuel Corporation, the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation, the Geelong Regional Commission and the Latrobe Regional Commission:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 246 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each agency and authority within the Ministry of Housing:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 247 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Department of Labour:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 248 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Rural Finance Commission:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 249 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Stamp Duties Office:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 250 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, the Rural Water Commission, the Dandenong Valley Authority and Water and Sewerage authorities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 251 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 252 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 What is the exact cost of the police inquiries into Department of Labour Inspector, Mr Geoff Williams.
 - 2 Whether police officers are required to enter on their weekly time sheets what work they performed in that week.

- 253 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, how many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the period from August 1986 to April 1989, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 254 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the publication "Direction of Occupational Health and Safety Consultants in Victoria 1989":
- 1 Whether advertisements were placed seeking responses from health and safety consultants wishing to be listed in the publication; if so—(a) where the advertisements were placed; (b) over what period of time the advertisements were placed; (c) whether any of the advertisements were placed in trade union owned/sponsored newspapers or periodicals, indicating—(i) the newspaper or periodicals, and (ii) the proportion of the advertising campaign; and (d) what the total cost of the advertising programme was.
 - 2 Whether the Department of Labour obtained legal advice on the effectiveness of the disclaimer contained in the Directory in the event of any legal action arising from publication of the Directory; if so, what advice was received.
 - 3 How many copies of the directory have been printed, indicating—(a) the total cost of printing and distribution (including paper); (b) who printed the Directory; and (c) who compiled and proof read the document, and at what cost.
 - 4 Whether any departmental staff were involved in the preparation of the directory; if so—(i) in what areas; and (ii) what the cost was of this resource allocation.
 - 5 Whether any action was taken to verify the credential of private consultants listed in the Directory; of so, what action.
 - 6 Whether the Department fully-funded the publication; if so, at what cost; if not, who provided the funds.
 - 7 Whether any legal action has been initiated as a result of the National Safety Council listing and its failure to deliver any services contracted for; if so, is the Government defending the disclaimer published in the Directory.
 - 8 Whether the Department is aware of any consultants using their Directory listing for advertising purposes; if so, is any action being taken against the offending consultants.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 4 MAY 1989

- 255 **MR HONEYWOOD**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, how frequently tenants of the Ministry of Housing are means tested.

NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 11 MAY 1989

NIL

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 23 MAY 1989**

- 256 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in his capacity as Minister responsible for Prices, whether he is aware of the high cost of some pharmaceutical products, such as ventolin inhalers for asthma sufferers; if so, what action (if any) has he taken to review prices in this area.
- 257 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 How many students per days on average, are transported by bus from the City of Doncaster and Templestowe to Banyule high school.
 - 2 What the cost was of these busing arrangements for the year ended 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What the estimated cost is of these busing arrangements for the year ending 30 June 1989.
- 258 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, how many students enrolled at Banyule, Greythorn and Balwyn high schools, respectively, during 1988 and 1989 are residents of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe.
- 259 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud cases, respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during the six months period from 1 July to 31 December 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.
- 260 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, how many students are enrolled at each Government school in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe in 1989.
- 261 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the availability of public housing in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe:
- 1 What the address is of each house, indicating on what date each was acquired and its purchase cost.
 - 2 What value of improvements have been made for each house since acquisition.
- 262 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction how many applications from residents of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe are on the waiting list for Ministry rental accommodation as at 31 March 1989.
- 263 **MR MATHEWS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will ascertain and inform the House which International Labour Organisation conventions have Federal and State Labour Ministers identified as having priority status for recognition, indicating in which cases the laws and practices of Victoria are in conformity with this Convention.

- 264 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Premier what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–1989.
- 265 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 266 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 267 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 268 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 269 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 270 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 271 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 272 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 273 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 274 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 275 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 276 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 277 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 278 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

- 279 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 280 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 281 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 282 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post Secondary Education what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 283 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Arts what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 284 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 285 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

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QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 24 MAY 1989

- 286 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, what funds were provided for the construction of Thompsons Road, Bulleen, between Bulleen and Manningham roads, by the previous Country Roads Board, in each financial year between 1977-78 and 1986-87, inclusive.
- 287 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the reconstruction of Bulleen Road, Bulleen:
- 1 Whether traffic lights will be installed at the intersection of Golden Way and Bulleen Road, Bulleen, to allow safe entry to Bulleen Road for residents living within the area bounded by Manningham, Thompsons and Bulleen roads; if not, why not.
 - 2 Whether a right turn lane will be included as part of the present roadworks in Bulleen Road, Bulleen to allow residents to turn right into Ilma Court, Bulleen; if not, why not.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 MAY 1989

- 288 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of trains, departing Spencer Street to Geelong or Geelong to Spencer Street:
- 1 How many trains have been cancelled during each of the months from July 1985 to May 1989, respectively.
 - 2 How many trains have not kept to their scheduled timetable during the period July 1985 to May 1989 inclusive.
 - 3 What are the number of occasions in which passengers to and from Geelong have been required to use buses because of equipment failure, indicating the reasons given to passengers on each occasion for the cancellation of train services.
- 289 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in relation to the amount allocated for boating projects in Victoria for the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89, which individual projects received funding, indicating the amount allocated for each project.
- 290 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, what steps has the Minister taken to ensure the planning and installation of underground powerlines for all new developments and subdivisions in coastal holiday resort areas in Victoria.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988**

- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.

- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.

- 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
 - 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
 - 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.
- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
 - 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
 - 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.
- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.
- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
 - 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.

69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
- 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
- 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
- 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.

70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:

- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
- 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
- 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
- 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
- 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
- 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
- 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
- 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.

72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:

- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.

- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology “Q” index based on the 1981 census:

- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
- 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
- 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
- 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
- 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal’s accommodation at Marland House.
- 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour

- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
- 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley’s home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
- 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.

109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and

(b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.

- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.
- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 118 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.
- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—
(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.
- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.
- 127 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the former Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout; if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.
- 128 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether the Minister is aware that patients of Moreland Hall Rehabilitation Program of the Moreland Hall Drug and Alcohol Treatment Centre, 26 Jessie Street, Moreland, have been given notice to vacate the premises of Moreland Hall by 31 December 1988.
 - 2 Whether he is aware that the patients issued a statement on 8 November 1988 in which they stated the fear that some of them will die.
 - 3 Whether all avenues have been pursued to deal with the plight of these patients; if so—(a) how; (b) when; and (c) with what result.
- 129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.
- 130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.

- 131 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 DECEMBER 1988

- 141 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 142 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 144 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 147 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 148 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 157 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 MARCH 1989

- 161 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria prior to the commencement of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 2 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria as at 18 December 1988.
 - 3 How many firearms were handed in during the last firearms amnesty, indicating—(a) how many were destroyed; and (b) what has been done with the remainder.
 - 4 What costs were involved in—(a) television advertising; (b) radio advertising; (c) print media advertising; and (d) any other types of advertising, of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 5 Which advertising agency handled the firearms amnesty account and what payments were made to them.
- 162 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years ended 30 June 1982–1988:
- 1 How many collisions there were between trains and motor vehicles involving loss of life, indicating how many lives were lost in each collision.
 - 2 How many pedestrians were killed by trains in—(a) the Melbourne metropolitan area; and (b) country and provincial Victoria at—(i) railway crossings; (ii) railway stations; and (iii) other sections of railway line, respectively.
 - 3 How many other persons were killed on railway property, indicating the circumstances in each case.
- 163 **MRLIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources whether investigations have been made into the source of water seepage into properties downstream of the Hurstbridge Basin; if so, what were the findings of the

investigations and what action is planned to remedy the problem; if not, when will the problem be investigated.

164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
- 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—*(a)* whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and *(b)* when the equipment will be operative.

165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—*(a)* what studies were made; and *(b)* what were the findings in each case.

169 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—*(a)* the number of appointments made; and *(b)* the languages spoken by the appointees.
- 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—*(a)* the date of appointment; *(b)* the location; *(c)* whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and *(d)* the languages spoken.
- 3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—*(a)* the location; and *(b)* the number of staff and the functions performed.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.

170 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.
- 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.

172 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available for all police interviews, indicating—*(a)* the languages spoken by translators; and *(b)* the number of occasions when the services of a translator were used during 1988, indicating the language spoken in each case.

- 173 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken in the production of multi-lingual health information and the development of multi-lingual advice services, indicating the publications and their areas of distribution, respectively.
 - 2 How many interpreters/translators are provided by the Government in relation to the delivery of health services at a Government and non-Government level, indicating—(a) the locations at which appointments have been made; (b) the date and duration of each appointment; and (c) the language spoken by the appointees.
 - 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to initiate training courses for health-care interpreters and to recruit appropriately qualified bi-lingual health personnel in Australia and overseas, indicating—(a) the location and duration of such courses; (b) the number of students engaged; and (c) the number of qualified people recruited from Australia and overseas indicating the languages covered in courses and recruitment, respectively.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken since April 1982 to develop co-operative projects between hospitals, community health centres and the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the particular projects; (b) the group towards which each project was directed; and (c) the number of people employed in each instance.
 - 5 How many additional personnel have been appointed to provide interpreting and bi-lingual counselling services in the fields of—(a) preventative medicine; (b) pre and post-natal services; (c) services for the aged; (d) services for disabled people; and (e) children's health services, respectively since April 1982, indicating, in respect of each category—(i) the location of such personnel; (ii) the date and duration of appointment in each case; and (iii) the languages spoken in each location.
- 174 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education:
- 1 Which State primary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme.
 - 2 Which State secondary schools teach computer usage as a regular programme for all students.
 - 3 Which State primary schools teach languages as a normal part of the curriculum at all levels, indicating the languages taught at each school.
 - 4 How many students at State secondary schools are learning languages in year 11 and 12 indicating—(a) which languages and how many students at year 11; and (b) which languages and how many students at year 12.
- 180 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many special needs children, eligible for integration into regular schools in 1989 were unable to be accommodated at the commencement of the school year and for what reasons.
- 183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to—(a) provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; (b) allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and (c) encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.

- 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 185 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many members of the Victoria Police are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for police being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of police in each year of WorkCare.
- 186 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many personnel employed with the Victoria State Emergency Service are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for State Emergency Services staff being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of State Emergency Services staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.
- 191 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services whether he will provide full statistics showing details of all categories of crime committed in the Barwon police district for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date, including the clearance rate of such crimes.
- 192 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.
 - 2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.
- 198 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier:
- 1 How the Government applies the principle of Ministerial responsibility in relation to the direction, management, and operation of a statutory body allocated to a Minister's portfolio.
 - 2 Whether a Minister of the Crown can intervene to entertain or implement a course of action so as to rectify a perceived or real problem at board or administration level in the operations within a statutory authority; if so—(a) to what extent; (b) what is the role of the permanent head of a Minister's

Department in this situation; and (c) what is the role of a Public Service officer in this situation who holds an appointment within the senior executive service and who has been allocated responsibility for a specific area of activity directly relevant to the activities of a statutory authority.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989

- 200 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.
 - 2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.
- 202 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Geelong sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.
 - 2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.
- 203 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:
- 1 What submissions the Department has received and acted on in relation to the effect of surfactants upon trees in the Barwon coastal region.
 - 2 Whether she will advise what action (if any) has been taken, based upon overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling beach erosion and its application, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 MARCH 1989

- 208 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:
- 1 What the costs are of the departmental study into the establishment of the Carrum water sports centre, indicating what costs have been incurred in each year since April 1982 to date.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to address problems associated with sewerage outfall pollution at the Carrum centre.
 - 3 Whether he has considered representations by the Geelong community for a water sports centre in Geelong where boatsheds and tourist infrastructure are already established; if so, with what result.
 - 4 Whether he will continue to liaise with groups such as the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and the Geelong Canoeist and Rowing Association to co-ordinate developments for the Geelong region.
 - 5 What studies the Department has made in conjunction with Geelong municipal councils and the Geelong Regional Commission to achieve proper water sports facilities in Geelong.
- 210 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong-Ballarat and Gheringhap-Inverleigh railway lines:
- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.
 - 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if

any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

- 211 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environment Protection Authority licence in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
 - 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the licence standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.
- 212 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what number of crimes was reported in 1988 for the Broadmeadows and Coburg police stations, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.
- 213 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.
- 214 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.
- 218 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 APRIL 1989

- 225 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what was the purchase price of the painting "The Ritual 1986" purchased by the State Library in 1988, and who was the officer responsible for its purchase.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 18 APRIL 1989

- 227 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each of the following hospitals—Manangatang and District, Nyah and District Bush Nursing, Robinvale and District, Sea Lake Bush Nursing, Swan Hill District, Birchip Bush Nursing, Boort District, Charlton Bush Nursing, Kerang and District, Pyramid Hill Bush Nursing, Wycheproof and District, and Korong Bush Nursing:
- 1 What is the strategic direction for the delivery of health care.
 - 2 What consultation has taken place to ensure that health care is appropriate, relevant and reflects the needs of each community.

- 3 Have role and function statements been developed; if so, will the Minister make copies available.
 - 4 Whether a health service agreement has been negotiated; if so, will the Minister make copies available.
 - 5 What performance indicators were used to evaluate each hospital.
 - 6 What are the guidelines/protocols for emergency care treatment.
- 230 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Swan Hill:
- 1 What programmes have been funded and administered by the Department since 1985, indicating the capital and recurrent funds expended on each programme, and the year it was expended.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds for the Arts has been allocated to the district for each financial year since 1984–85.
- 231 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the past four years, what was the value of goods claimed as lost or stolen from V/Line, indicating—(a) how many claims were made; and (b) the total sum of money paid in settlement of such claims.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 MAY 1989

- 233 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Road Construction Authority, Road Traffic Authority, State Transport Authority, Metropolitan Transit Authority, Port of Portland Authority, Port of Geelong Authority and Port of Melbourne Authority:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 234 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Major Projects Unit:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 235 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 236 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for municipalities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 237 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in view of delays in the

Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within her administration:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

239 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

240 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post-Secondary Education, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for universities and tertiary institutions:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

242 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Alpine Resorts Commission:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

243 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

244 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask Honourable the Attorney-General, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

245 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the State Electricity Commission, the Gas and Fuel Corporation, the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation, the Geelong Regional Commission and the Latrobe Regional Commission:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 246 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each agency and authority within the Ministry of Housing:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 248 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Rural Finance Commission:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 250 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, the Rural Water Commission, the Dandenong Valley Authority and Water and Sewerage authorities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 251 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 252 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 What is the exact cost of the police inquiries into Department of Labour Inspector, Mr Geoff Williams.
 - 2 Whether police officers are required to enter on their weekly time sheets what work they performed in that week.
- 253 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, how many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the period from August 1986 to April 1989, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 254 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the publication "Direction of Occupational Health and Safety Consultants in Victoria 1989":
- 1 Whether advertisements were placed seeking responses from health and safety consultants wishing to be listed in the publication; if so—(a) where the advertisements were placed; (b) over what period of time the advertisements were placed; (c) whether any of the advertisements were placed in trade union owned/sponsored newspapers or periodicals, indicating—(i) the newspaper or periodicals, and (ii) the proportion of the advertising campaign; and (d) what the total cost of the advertising programme was.
 - 2 Whether the Department of Labour obtained legal advice on the effectiveness of the disclaimer contained in the Directory in the event of any legal action arising from publication of the Directory; if so, what advice was received.
 - 3 How many copies of the directory have been printed, indicating—(a) the total cost of printing and distribution (including paper); (b) who printed the

- Directory; and (c) who compiled and proof read the document, and at what cost.
- 4 Whether any departmental staff were involved in the preparation of the directory; if so—(i) in what areas; and (ii) what the cost was of this resource allocation.
 - 5 Whether any action was taken to verify the credential of private consultants listed in the Directory; of so, what action.
 - 6 Whether the Department fully-funded the publication; if so, at what cost; if not, who provided the funds.
 - 7 Whether any legal action has been initiated as a result of the National Safety Council listing and its failure to deliver any services contracted for; if so, is the Government defending the disclaimer published in the Directory.
 - 8 Whether the Department is aware of any consultants using their Directory listing for advertising purposes; if so, is any action being taken against the offending consultants.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 4 MAY 1989

- 255 **MR HONEYWOOD**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, how frequently tenants of the Ministry of Housing are means tested.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 23 MAY 1989

- 256 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in his capacity as Minister responsible for Prices, whether he is aware of the high cost of some pharmaceutical products, such as ventolin inhalers for asthma sufferers; if so, what action (if any) has he taken to review prices in this area.
- 259 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud cases, respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during the six months period from 1 July to 31 December 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.
- 261 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the availability of public housing in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe:
- 1 What the address is of each house, indicating on what date each was acquired and its purchase cost.
 - 2 What value of improvements have been made for each house since acquisition.
- 262 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction how many applications from residents of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe are on the waiting list for Ministry rental accommodation as at 31 March 1989.
- 263 **MR MATHEWS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will ascertain and inform the House which International Labour Organisation conventions have Federal and State Labour Ministers identified as having priority status for recognition, indicating in which cases the laws and practices of Victoria are in conformity with this convention.
- 265 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

- 266 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 267 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 268 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 269 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 270 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 271 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 272 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 274 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 275 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 276 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 277 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 278 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 279 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 281 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 282 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post Secondary Education what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

- 283 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Arts what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 284 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 285 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 24 MAY 1989

- 286 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, what funds were provided for the construction of Thompsons Road Bulleen, between Bulleen and Manningham roads, by the previous Country Roads Board, in each financial year between 1977–78 and 1986–87, inclusive.
- 287 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the reconstruction of Bulleen Road, Bulleen:
- 1 Whether traffic lights will be installed at the intersection of Golden Way and Bulleen Road, Bulleen, to allow safe entry to Bulleen Road for residents living within the area bounded by Manningham, Thompsons and Bulleen roads; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether a right turn lane will be included as part of the present roadworks in Bulleen Road, Bulleen to allow residents to turn right into Ilma Court, Bulleen; if not, why.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 MAY 1989

- 288 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of trains departing Spencer Street to Geelong or Geelong to Spencer Street:
- 1 How many trains have been cancelled during each of the months from July 1985 to May 1989, respectively.
 - 2 How many trains have not kept to their scheduled timetable during the period July 1985 to May 1989 inclusive.
 - 3 What are the number of occasions on which passengers to and from Geelong have been required to use buses because of equipment failure, indicating the reasons given to passengers on each occasion for the cancellation of train services.
- 289 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in relation to the amount allocated for boating projects in Victoria for the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89, which individual projects received funding, indicating the amount allocated for each project.
- 290 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, what steps has the Minister taken to ensure the planning and installation of underground powerlines for all new developments and subdivisions in coastal holiday resort areas in Victoria.
- 291 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, what programs are administered by the Ministry of Housing to provide shelter and security for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.

- 292 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Premier what arrangements or programs the Government has to help, in a practical way, victims of domestic violence and their dependants, particularly in the following areas—(a) counselling; (b) protection from further violence; and (c) housing, indicating how this available assistance is brought to the notice of such victims.
- 293 **MR SMITH (Polwarth)**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in relation to the Victorian Certificate of Education:
- 1 Whether the implementaion of the Victorian Certificate of Education in place of the Higher School Certificate will result in additional costs; if so, what the estimated additional cost is in each of the years leading up to the full implementation of the Victorian Certificate of Education.
 - 2 Have independent schools been asked for an estimated cost to them of the Victorian Certificate of Education.
 - 3 What impact the Victorian Certificate of Education will have on the cost of schools fees in independent schools.
 - 4 Whether the Government has offered to offset any additional cost to independent schools caused by the implementation of the Victorian Certificate of Education.
- 294 **MR SMITH (Polwarth)**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what are the retention rates in Years 11 and 12, respectively, in the independent school sector compared with the government school sector in each year since 1980.
- 296 **MR SMITH (Polwarth)**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in relation to emergency teachers:
- 1 How much money has been spent on emergency teachers in each of the past six years, indicating—(a) how many individual emergency teachers have been involved; and (b) in what years the classes were requiring emergency teachers.
 - 2 What training is expected of or offered to emergency teachers.
 - 3 What is the maximum number of hours or days permitted for emergency teachers to take a class, indicating how many classes exceeded this number of days.
- 297 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each award made by the Industrial Relations Commission during 1988 and 1989 to date:
- 1 Whether he will advise—(a) the date that each award was received at the Victorian Government Printing Office for printing, indicating—(i) the date that the award was made by the Commission; and (ii) the commencement date of the award; and (b) the date on which the Victorian Government Printing Office circulated a copy of the award to its subscribers.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the basis or regularity of the Victorian Government Printing Office circulating awards to subscribers.
 - 3 Whether he will ensure that the Victorian Government Printing Office will circulate awards within one week of receipt from the Industrial Relations Commission; if not, why.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 AUGUST 1989**

- 298 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education whether the Community Research Action Centre, Monash University, in co-operation with Outrage and the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, produced a book entitled “The Company We Keep”; if so—(a) what was the cost of producing the book; and (b) which government agencies contributed towards the cost of the book, indicating, in each case, the amount involved.
- 299 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to all buildings owned or leased by the Government and/or Government agencies and which are used or intended to be used for office accommodation:
- 1 What is the address of each building, indicating the area in each building used or proposed to be used for office accommodation.
 - 2 Which departments, agencies and authorities utilise such areas in each building.
- 300 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to buildings or parts of buildings leased out by the Crown or its agencies—(a) what the address is of each building; (b) what the term is of each lease, indicating—(i) the name of each lessee; (ii) the expiration date; (iii) date of commencement; and (iv) the area under lease.
- 301 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to buildings or parts of buildings not owned by the Crown but leased from other parties—(a) what the address is of each building; (b) who the owner is of each building; and (c) what the term is of each lease, indicating—(i) the expiration date; (ii) the commencement date; (iii) the area under lease; and (iv) the rental payable.
- 302 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services how much money has been spent between April 1982 and 30 June 1989 by the Government to purchase property used or occupied by Government departments or agencies.
- 303 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to the period April 1982 to 30 June 1989, what buildings occupied by Government departments or its agencies have been sold by the Government, indicating—(a) the location of each building; (b) the date of sale; and (c) the amounts which were realised on each sale.
- 304 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether payouts were made to employees who were stood down when work on the new Barwon bridge ceased for seven months; if so—(a) what was the basis for the payouts; and (b) what is the estimated additional cost of completing the bridge and meeting the revised completion date.
- 305 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the proposed ring-road around Geelong from Lara to Waurin Ponds:
- 1 What land has been acquired by the Government for the ring-road as at 30 June 1989.

- 2 What action is being taken to purchase the balance of property required for the ring-road.
 - 3 What is the estimated date for commencement of work to build the ring-road.
 - 4 What steps are being taken to plant trees in the easement along the side of the proposed ring-road.
- 306 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, with respect to the Geelong region, incorporating the municipalities of Corio, Geelong, Newtown, South Barwon, Geelong West, Bellarine, Queenscliffe and Barrabool:
- 1 Whether the Minister will advise what rental arrears are owed to the Ministry of Housing as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What steps are being taken to recover such outstanding debts.
 - 3 How many people are currently on the waiting list for Ministry accommodation as at 30 June 1989.
 - 4 What is the estimated waiting period for allocation of a Ministry house or unit.
 - 5 Whether the Minister has any plans to build or purchase additional houses in the above municipalities during the next five years; if so, how many new properties will be available to ease the waiting list.
 - 6 What the average cost is of each dwelling either built or purchased by the Ministry as at 30 June 1989.
 - 7 Whether the Ministry regularly monitors tenants to ensure that they continue to be eligible for accommodation.
 - 8 What action, if any, is taken by the Ministry against tenants whose financial circumstances have improved to the point where they no longer qualify for Ministry accommodation and they have failed to notify the Ministry of that fact.
- 307 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the former Minister's reply of 5 March 1987 to question No. 381 and following the investigation by the Fraud Squad into abuse of the Ministry's bond and relocation scheme:
- 1 How many people were charged as a result of that investigation.
 - 2 What funds were recovered by the Ministry.
 - 3 What monies were not recovered.
 - 4 Whether any further cases of abuse of the scheme have been detected since the investigation; if so, what steps have been taken by the Ministry to avoid any future abuses of the scheme.
- 308 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years 1987, 1988 and 1989 (to date):
- 1 What was the number of road accidents in the entire region covered by the electoral province of Geelong.
 - 2 What were the locations where those accidents occurred.
 - 3 How many accidents resulted in fatalities.
 - 4 What percentage of road accidents involved alcohol as the cause or a contributing factor.
- 309 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, during the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, how many documents were translated into other languages for the Victorian Trades Hall Council or other trade unions by the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the cost of such translation work; and (b) how much was recovered for the translation work.

- 310 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in relation to each of the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, what grants were made by the Ethnic Affairs Commission to organisations where a member of the Commission held an executive position in that organisation, indicating—(a) the organisation receiving the grant; (b) the grant received; and (c) the name of the Ethnic Affairs Commissioner involved.
- 311 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise—
(a) what the full cost is of the inspire system referred to in the *Department of Labour News*, Number 10, June 1989; and (b) what the total cost was of the pilot “establishment inspection record” system which preceded it.
- 312 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in view of recent environmental studies in the United States of America relating to toxic emissions from industry:
- 1 What environmental studies and monitoring are currently being undertaken in industrial areas of Victoria as to the short and long term effects on the health of the community.
 - 2 Where monitoring stations are currently situated, indicating whether monitoring is carried out by the Environment Protection Authority or the industries responsible for the noxious emissions.
 - 3 When reports regarding such findings will be made available to the public of Victoria.
- 313 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, since April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Department of Labour, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.
- 314 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, since April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Ministry of Education, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.
- 315 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 What action, if any, the Government is taking to resolve problems associated with sewage, industrial waste and salt being flushed into the Barwon river system.
 - 2 Whether he will arrange for an environmental impact study to be undertaken into the current usage of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems and the damage being done to water catchment areas in the Barwon and Moorabool region through current land use practice with increased urban development; if not, why.
 - 3 Whether the Department of Water Resources is taking any steps to ensure the purity of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems; if so, what action is being taken.

- 4 What action, if any, the Department of Water Resources is taking to rectify the damage from increased salinity and siltation of the Connewarre Lake and floodplain region.
- 5 Whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, implement a tree planting scheme along the Barwon and Moorabool river systems as a measure to counter salinity and other environmental damage occurring to the atmosphere in the region.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 9 AUGUST 1989

316 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, when she will answer the following Questions on Notice: 174 (14 March 1989), 220 (22 March 1989) and 293–6 (25 May 1989).

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

This issue provides a numerical reference to Questions remaining unanswered, together with the text of Questions lodged on Thursday, 10 August 1989.

The full text of Questions will be issued during the Session on a periodical basis. The last Question Notice Paper containing the full text of all unanswered Questions was issued on Tuesday, 8 August 1989.

Answers to Questions on Notice will appear in Hansard.

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NEW QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 10 AUGUST 1989

317 MR AUSTIN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the fact that cattle stolen from Mr Norman Sims of Shepparton have not been returned in spite of a court decision confirming that they were stolen, what steps the Minister will take to protect Victorian farmers from a law which appears to encourage rustling of livestock in this State.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 AUGUST 1989**

318 **MR PLOWMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in relation to the Kalatha council road, Murrindindi:

- 1 What is the projected upgrade planned for the road over the next two years, indicating—(a) the distance; (b) the road width; (c) the estimated materials to be used; and (d) the estimated costs.
- 2 What volume of timber will be removed from adjacent to the road to enable the upgrade, indicating—(a) the volume of—(i) saw logs; (ii) pulpwood; and (iii) unused waste; and (b) the anticipated royalties.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 AUGUST 1989**

- 319 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 320 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 321 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 322 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89).
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 323 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
 - 3 Whether he will advise what the total public sector WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 4 Whether he will advise what the total private sector payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 5 Whether he will advise what the total local government WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 324 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.

- 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 325 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 326 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 327 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 328 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 329 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 330 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 331 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.

- 332 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 333 **MR GUDE**—to ask the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 334 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 335 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 336 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 337 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 338 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 339 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 340 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 341 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988**

- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.

- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.

- 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
 - 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
 - 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.
- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
 - 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
 - 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.
- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.
- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
 - 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.

69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
- 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
- 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
- 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.

70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:

- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
- 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
- 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
- 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
- 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
- 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
- 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
- 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.

72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:

- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.

- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 27 OCTOBER 1988

- 84 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, whether he will advise how many police stations have been—(a) closed; (b) downgraded in personnel numbers or operational hours, since July 1982, indicating, in each case—(i) the location; (ii) the complement of police personnel prior to closure or alteration of status; (iii) the reason for closure or alteration of status; and (iv) the number of crimes reported from the area serviced for each of the five years prior to its closure or alteration of status.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology “Q” index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
 - 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal’s accommodation at Marland House.
 - 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

- 102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

- 108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour
- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
 - 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley’s home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
 - 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.
- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and

(b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.

- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.
- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.
- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.

- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.
- 127 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the former Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout; if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.
- 129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.
- 130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.
- 131 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 DECEMBER 1988

- 141 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 142 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 144 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a)

how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 147 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 148 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 157 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 MARCH 1989

- 161 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria prior to the commencement of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 2 How many registered firearms there were in Victoria as at 18 December 1988.
 - 3 How many firearms were handed in during the last firearms amnesty, indicating—(a) how many were destroyed; and (b) what has been done with the remainder.
 - 4 What costs were involved in—(a) television advertising; (b) radio advertising; (c) print media advertising; and (d) any other types of advertising, of the last firearms amnesty.
 - 5 Which advertising agency handled the firearms amnesty account and what payments were made to them.
- 162 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years ended 30 June 1982–1988:
- 1 How many collisions there were between trains and motor vehicles involving loss of life, indicating how many lives were lost in each collision.
 - 2 How many pedestrians were killed by trains in—(a) the Melbourne metropolitan area; and (b) country and provincial Victoria at—(i) railway crossings; (ii) railway stations; and (iii) other sections of railway line, respectively.
 - 3 How many other persons were killed on railway property, indicating the circumstances in each case.
- 163 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources whether investigations have been made into the source of water seepage into properties downstream of the Hurstbridge Basin; if so, what were the findings of the investigations and what action is planned to remedy the problem; if not, when will the problem be investigated.
- 164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
 - 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—(a) whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and (b) when the equipment will be operative.
- 165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—(a) what studies were made; and (b) what were the findings in each case.
- 169 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—(a) the number of appointments made; and (b) the languages spoken by the appointees.
 - 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—(a) the

date of appointment; (b) the location; (c) whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and (d) the languages spoken.

3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—(a) the location; and (b) the number of staff and the functions performed.

4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.

170 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.

2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.

3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.

4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.

172 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available for all police interviews, indicating—(a) the languages spoken by translators; and (b) the number of occasions when the services of a translator were used during 1988, indicating the language spoken in each case.

173 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:

1 What action (if any) the Government has taken in the production of multi-lingual health information and the development of multi-lingual advice services, indicating the publications and their areas of distribution, respectively.

2 How many interpreters/translators are provided by the Government in relation to the delivery of health services at a Government and non-Government level, indicating—(a) the locations at which appointments have been made; (b) the date and duration of each appointment; and (c) the language spoken by the appointees.

3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to initiate training courses for health-care interpreters and to recruit appropriately qualified bi-lingual health personnel in Australia and overseas, indicating—(a) the location and duration of such courses; (b) the number of students engaged; and (c) the number of qualified people recruited from Australia and overseas indicating the languages covered in courses and recruitment, respectively.

4 What action (if any) the Government has taken since April 1982 to develop co-operative projects between hospitals, community health centres and the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the particular projects; (b) the group towards which each project was directed; and (c) the number of people employed in each instance.

5 How many additional personnel have been appointed to provide interpreting and bi-lingual counselling services in the fields of—(a) preventative medicine; (b) pre and post-natal services; (c) services for the aged; (d) services for disabled people; and (e) children's health services, respectively since April 1982, indicating, in respect of each category—(i) the location of such personnel; (ii) the date and duration of appointment in each case; and (iii) the languages spoken in each location.

- 183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to—
(a) provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; (b) allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and (c) encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 185 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many members of the Victoria Police are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for police being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of police in each year of WorkCare.
- 186 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 How many personnel employed with the Victoria State Emergency Service are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
 - 2 What the reasons are for State Emergency Services staff being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
 - 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
 - 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of State Emergency Services staff in each year of WorkCare.
- 189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.
- 191 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services whether he will provide full statistics showing details of all categories of crime committed in the Barwon police district for the period commencing 1 January 1988 to date, including the clearance rate of such crimes.

192 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

- 1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.
- 2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989

200 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.
- 2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.

202 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:

- 1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Geelong sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.
- 2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.

203 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:

- 1 What submissions the Department has received and acted on in relation to the effect of surfactants upon trees in the Barwon coastal region.
- 2 Whether she will advise what action (if any) has been taken, based upon overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling beach erosion and its application, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 MARCH 1989

208 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

- 1 What the costs are of the departmental study into the establishment of the Carrum water sports centre, indicating what costs have been incurred in each year since April 1982 to date.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to address problems associated with sewerage outfall pollution at the Carrum centre.
- 3 Whether he has considered representations by the Geelong community for a water sports centre in Geelong where boatsheds and tourist infrastructure are already established; if so, with what result.
- 4 Whether he will continue to liaise with groups such as the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and the Geelong Canoeist and Rowing Association to co-ordinate developments for the Geelong region.
- 5 What studies the Department has made in conjunction with Geelong municipal councils and the Geelong Regional Commission to achieve proper water sports facilities in Geelong.

210 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong-Ballarat and Gheringhap-Inverleigh railway lines:

- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.

- 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

- 211 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environment Protection Authority licence in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
 - 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the licence standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.
- 212 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what number of crimes was reported in 1988 for the Broadmeadows and Coburg police stations, respectively, indicating the nature of the crimes.
- 213 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.
- 214 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.
- 218 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 APRIL 1989

- 225 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what was the purchase price of the painting "The Ritual 1986" purchased by the State Library in 1988, and who was the officer responsible for its purchase.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 18 APRIL 1989

- 230 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Swan Hill:
- 1 What programmes have been funded and administered by the Department since 1985, indicating the capital and recurrent funds expended on each programme, and the year it was expended.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds for the Arts has been allocated to the district for each financial year since 1984–85.

- 231 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the past four years, what was the value of goods claimed as lost or stolen from V/Line, indicating—(a) how many claims were made; and (b) the total sum of money paid in settlement of such claims.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 MAY 1989

- 233 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Road Construction Authority, Road Traffic Authority, State Transport Authority, Metropolitan Transit Authority, Port of Portland Authority, Port of Geelong Authority and Port of Melbourne Authority:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 234 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Major Projects Unit:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 236 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for municipalities:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 239 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 243 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 245 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the State Electricity Commission, the Gas and Fuel Corporation, the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation, the Geelong Regional Commission and the Latrobe Regional Commission:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
- 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 246 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each agency and authority within the Ministry of Housing:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 248 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Rural Finance Commission:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 250 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, the Rural Water Commission, the Dandenong Valley Authority and Water and Sewerage authorities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 252 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:
- 1 What is the exact cost of the police inquiries into Department of Labour Inspector, Mr Geoff Williams.
 - 2 Whether police officers are required to enter on their weekly time sheets what work they performed in that week.
- 253 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, how many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the period from August 1986 to April 1989, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 254 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the publication "Direction of Occupational Health and Safety Consultants in Victoria 1989":
- 1 Whether advertisements were placed seeking responses from health and safety consultants wishing to be listed in the publication; if so—(a) where the advertisements were placed; (b) over what period of time the advertisements were placed; (c) whether any of the advertisements were placed in trade union owned/sponsored newspapers or periodicals, indicating—(i) the newspaper or periodicals, and (ii) the proportion of the advertising campaign; and (d) what the total cost of the advertising programme was.
 - 2 Whether the Department of Labour obtained legal advice on the effectiveness of the disclaimer contained in the Directory in the event of any legal action arising from publication of the Directory; if so, what advice was received.
 - 3 How many copies of the directory have been printed, indicating—(a) the total cost of printing and distribution (including paper); (b) who printed the Directory; and (c) who compiled and proof read the document, and at what cost.
 - 4 Whether any departmental staff were involved in the preparation of the directory; if so—(i) in what areas; and (ii) what the cost was of this resource allocation.
 - 5 Whether any action was taken to verify the credential of private consultants listed in the Directory; if so, what action.

- 6 Whether the Department fully-funded the publication; if so, at what cost; if not, who provided the funds.
- 7 Whether any legal action has been initiated as a result of the National Safety Council listing and its failure to deliver any services contracted for; if so, is the Government defending the disclaimer published in the Directory.
- 8 Whether the Department is aware of any consultants using their Directory listing for advertising purposes; if so, is any action being taken against the offending consultants.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 4 MAY 1989

- 255 **MR HONEYWOOD**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, how frequently tenants of the Ministry of Housing are means tested.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 23 MAY 1989

- 256 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in his capacity as Minister responsible for Prices, whether he is aware of the high cost of some pharmaceutical products, such as ventolin inhalers for asthma sufferers; if so, what action (if any) has he taken to review prices in this area.
- 259 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud cases, respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during the six months period from 1 July to 31 December 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.
- 261 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the availability of public housing in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe:
- 1 What the address is of each house, indicating on what date each was acquired and its purchase cost.
 - 2 What value of improvements have been made for each house since acquisition.
- 262 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction how many applications from residents of the City of Doncaster and Templestowe are on the waiting list for Ministry rental accommodation as at 31 March 1989.
- 263 **MR MATHEWS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will ascertain and inform the House which International Labour Organisation conventions have Federal and State Labour Ministers identified as having priority status for recognition, indicating in which cases the laws and practices of Victoria are in conformity with this convention.
- 265 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 266 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 269 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

- 270 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 272 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 274 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 275 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 276 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 279 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 281 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 282 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post Secondary Education what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 283 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Arts what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 284 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 285 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 24 MAY 1989

- 286 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, what funds were provided for the construction of Thompsons Road Bulleen, between Bulleen and Manningham roads, by the previous Country Roads Board, in each financial year between 1977–78 and 1986–87, inclusive.
- 287 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the reconstruction of Bulleen Road, Bulleen:
- I Whether traffic lights will be installed at the intersection of Golden Way and Bulleen Road, Bulleen, to allow safe entry to Bulleen Road for residents living

- within the area bounded by Manningham, Thompsons and Bulleen roads; if not, why.
- 2 Whether a right turn lane will be included as part of the present roadworks in Bulleen Road, Bulleen to allow residents to turn right into Ilma Court, Bulleen; if not, why.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 MAY 1989

- 288 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of trains departing Spencer Street to Geelong or Geelong to Spencer Street:
- 1 How many trains have been cancelled during each of the months from July 1985 to May 1989, respectively.
 - 2 How many trains have not kept to their scheduled timetable during the period July 1985 to May 1989 inclusive.
 - 3 What are the number of occasions on which passengers to and from Geelong have been required to use buses because of equipment failure, indicating the reasons given to passengers on each occasion for the cancellation of train services.
- 290 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, what steps has the Minister taken to ensure the planning and installation of underground powerlines for all new developments and subdivisions in coastal holiday resort areas in Victoria.
- 291 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, what programs are administered by the Ministry of Housing to provide shelter and security for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.
- 297 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each award made by the Industrial Relations Commission during 1988 and 1989 to date:
- 1 Whether he will advise—(a) the date that each award was received at the Victorian Government Printing Office for printing, indicating—(i) the date that the award was made by the Commission; and (ii) the commencement date of the award; and (b) the date on which the Victorian Government Printing Office circulated a copy of the award to its subscribers.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the basis or regularity of the Victorian Government Printing Office circulating awards to subscribers.
 - 3 Whether he will ensure that the Victorian Government Printing Office will circulate awards within one week of receipt from the Industrial Relations Commission; if not, why.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 AUGUST 1989

- 298 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education whether the Community Research Action Centre, Monash University, in co-operation with Outrage and the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, produced a book entitled "The Company We Keep"; if so—(a) what was the cost of producing the book; and (b) which government agencies contributed towards the cost of the book, indicating, in each case, the amount involved.
- 299 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to all buildings owned or leased by the Government and/or Government agencies and which are used or intended to be used for office accommodation:
- 1 What is the address of each building, indicating the area in each building used or proposed to be used for office accommodation.

- 2 Which departments, agencies and authorities utilise such areas in each building.
- 300 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to buildings or parts of buildings leased out by the Crown or its agencies—*(a)* what the address is of each building; *(b)* what the term is of each lease, indicating—*(i)* the name of each lessee; *(ii)* the expiration date; *(iii)* date of commencement; and *(iv)* the area under lease.
- 301 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to buildings or parts of buildings not owned by the Crown but leased from other parties—*(a)* what the address is of each building; *(b)* who the owner is of each building; and *(c)* what the term is of each lease, indicating—*(i)* the expiration date; *(ii)* the commencement date; *(iii)* the area under lease; and *(iv)* the rent payable.
- 302 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services how much money has been spent by the Government between April 1982 and 30 June 1989 to purchase property used or occupied by Government departments or agencies.
- 303 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to the period April 1982 to 30 June 1989, what buildings occupied by Government departments or its agencies have been sold by the Government, indicating—*(a)* the location of each building; *(b)* the date of sale; and *(c)* the amounts which were realised on each sale.
- 304 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether payouts were made to employees who were stood down when work on the new Barwon bridge ceased for seven months; if so—*(a)* what was the basis for the payouts; and *(b)* what is the estimated additional cost of completing the bridge and meeting the revised completion date.
- 305 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the proposed ring-road around Geelong from Lara to Waurin Ponds:
- 1 What land has been acquired by the Government for the ring-road as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What action is being taken to purchase the balance of property required for the ring-road.
 - 3 What is the estimated date for commencement of work to build the ring-road.
 - 4 What steps are being taken to plant trees in the easement along the side of the proposed ring-road.
- 306 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, with respect to the Geelong region, incorporating the municipalities of Corio, Geelong, Newtown, South Barwon, Geelong West, Bellarine, Queenscliffe and Barrabool:
- 1 Whether the Minister will advise what rental arrears are owed to the Ministry of Housing as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What steps are being taken to recover such outstanding debts.
 - 3 How many people are currently on the waiting list for Ministry accommodation as at 30 June 1989.
 - 4 What is the estimated waiting period for allocation of a Ministry house or unit.
 - 5 Whether the Minister has any plans to build or purchase additional houses in the above municipalities during the next five years; if so, how many new properties will be available to ease the waiting list.

- 6 What the average cost is of each dwelling either built or purchased by the Ministry as at 30 June 1989.
 - 7 Whether the Ministry regularly monitors tenants to ensure that they continue to be eligible for accommodation.
 - 8 What action, if any, is taken by the Ministry against tenants whose financial circumstances have improved to the point where they no longer qualify for Ministry accommodation and they have failed to notify the Ministry of that fact.
- 307 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the former Minister's reply of 5 March 1987 to question No. 381 and following the investigation by the Fraud Squad into abuse of the Ministry's bond and relocation scheme:
- 1 How many people were charged as a result of that investigation.
 - 2 What funds were recovered by the Ministry.
 - 3 What monies were not recovered.
 - 4 Whether any further cases of abuse of the scheme have been detected since the investigation; if so, what steps have been taken by the Ministry to avoid any future abuses of the scheme.
- 308 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years 1987, 1988 and 1989 (to date):
- 1 What was the number of road accidents in the entire region covered by the electoral province of Geelong.
 - 2 What were the locations where those accidents occurred.
 - 3 How many accidents resulted in fatalities.
 - 4 What percentage of road accidents involved alcohol as the cause or a contributing factor.
- 309 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, during the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, how many documents were translated into other languages for the Victorian Trades Hall Council or other trade unions by the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the cost of such translation work; and (b) how much was recovered for the translation work.
- 310 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in relation to each of the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, what grants were made by the Ethnic Affairs Commission to organisations where a member of the Commission held an executive position in that organisation, indicating—(a) the organisation receiving the grant; (b) the grant received; and (c) the name of the Ethnic Affairs Commissioner involved.
- 311 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise—(a) what the full cost is of the inspire system referred to in the *Department of Labour News*, Number 10, June 1989; and (b) what the total cost was of the pilot "establishment inspection record" system which preceded it.
- 312 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in view of recent environmental studies in the United States of America relating to toxic emissions from industry:
- 1 What environmental studies and monitoring are currently being undertaken in industrial areas of Victoria as to the short and long term effects on the health of the community.
 - 2 Where monitoring stations are currently situated, indicating whether monitoring is carried out by the Environment Protection Authority or the industries responsible for the noxious emissions.

- 3 When reports regarding such findings will be made available to the public of Victoria.
- 313 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, from April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Department of Labour, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.
- 314 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, from April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Ministry of Education, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.
- 315 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 What action, if any, the Government is taking to resolve problems associated with sewage, industrial waste and salt being flushed into the Barwon river system.
 - 2 Whether he will arrange for an environmental impact study to be undertaken into the current usage of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems and the damage being done to water catchment areas in the Barwon and Moorabool region through current land use practice with increased urban development; if not, why.
 - 3 Whether the Department of Water Resources is taking any steps to ensure the purity of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems; if so, what action is being taken.
 - 4 What action, if any, the Department of Water Resources is taking to rectify the damage from increased salinity and siltation of the Connewarre Lake and floodplain region.
 - 5 Whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, implement a tree planting scheme along the Barwon and Moorabool river systems as a measure to counter salinity and other environmental damage occurring to the atmosphere in the region.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 9 AUGUST 1989

- 316 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, when she will answer the following Questions on Notice: 174 (14 March 1989), 220 (22 March 1989) and 293 to 296 (25 May 1989).

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 10 AUGUST 1989

- 317 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the fact that cattle stolen from Mr Norman Sims of Shepparton have not been returned in spite of a court decision confirming that they were stolen, what steps the Minister will take to protect Victorian farmers from a law which appears to encourage rustling of livestock in this State.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 AUGUST 1989

- 318 **MR PLOWMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in relation to the Kalatha council road, Murrindindi:
- 1 What is the projected upgrade planned for the road over the next two years, indicating—(a) the distance; (b) the road width; (c) the estimated materials to be used; and (d) the estimated costs.

- 2 What volume of timber will be removed from adjacent to the road to enable the upgrade, indicating—(a) the volume of—(i) saw logs; (ii) pulpwood; and (iii) unused waste; and (b) the anticipated royalties.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 AUGUST 1989

- 319 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 320 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 321 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 322 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89).
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 323 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
 - 3 Whether he will advise what the total public sector WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 4 Whether he will advise what the total private sector payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 5 Whether he will advise what the total local government WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 324 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 325 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 326 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 327 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 328 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 329 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 330 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 331 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 332 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 333 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 334 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 335 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 336 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 337 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 338 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post-Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 339 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 340 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 341 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 5 SEPTEMBER 1989**

- 342 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what special school facilities are provided for children with intellectual and/or physical disabilities from non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 343 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 Whether he will advise what steps have been taken to carry out an environmental effects study into toxic waste being dumped at Tullamarine.
 - 2 Whether he will advise what action has been, or is planned to be, taken to reduce the risk to the community as a result of the dumping at this site.
- 344 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Premier:
- 1 In respect of each of the financial years 1986–87, 1987–88 and 1988–89, what was the cost of transport provided for—(a) Ministers and officials of the Government; (b) Leaders of the Liberal Party; (c) Leaders of the National Party; (d) retired Premiers; and (e) other eligible dignitaries.
 - 2 Whether a government car was provided to the Honourable W. A. Landeryou, M.L.C., or the Honourable R. C. Fordham, M.P. after they ceased to be Ministers of the Crown; if so—(a) for what period of time; and (b) at what cost.
 - 3 Whether government cars have been provided to any other former Minister, Party Leader or office holder; if so—(a) to whom; (b) for what period of time; and (c) at what cost.
- 345 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in addition to the information made available via a memorandum dated 17 August 1989 in relation to Olympic Games facilities:
- 1 Whether the Minister will provide a list of Government building projects undertaken since 1982, giving details of—(a) the names of architects engaged for each project; (b) the names of building contractors engaged for each project; and (c) the cost of each project, specifying fees paid to the architects and builders in each case.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise which Government building projects, since 1982 have been granted to the architectural firms—(a) Daryl Jackson Pty. Ltd.; and (b) Bates, Smart and McCutcheon Pty. Ltd.
- 346 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, whether the Minister will provide details of the names of all architects and building contractors who have put forward, or are putting forward, proposals to the Government to undertake work for the Jolimont railway extensions and the Victoria Dock development.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 12 SEPTEMBER 1989**

- 347 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of the Geelong and District Water Board project to build Stage 1A of the Geelong Water Treatment Plant:
- 1 Whether he will advise—(a) the date that the Board applied for approval to commence work; (b) the date that approval was granted; and (c) the reason for the delay between application and approval being given.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House of what additional costs (if any) will be incurred as a result of the delay in approval being given, indicating who will be required to pay these additional costs.
- 348 **MR HAMILTON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each of the past three financial years:
- 1 Whether the Minister will advise what fees were collected for radiology services provided at the Amalgamated Central Gippsland and Morwell Hospital, Traralgon, indicating—(a) what payments were made to the hospital by the radiologist; (b) what was the schedule of fee for service charged by the radiologist; and (c) how these fees compared with those charged for similar services at other hospitals in the region.
 - 2 Whether the hospital Board of Management requested approval for the inclusion of salaried radiologists in its staff establishment; if so, with what result.
 - 3 When does the current contract between the radiologist and the hospital expire, indicating—(a) whether the contract is renewable; and (b) under what circumstances.
 - 4 Whether the regional office of the Health Department will act to inform the community and local general practitioners that a private radiologist is providing x-ray services and charging in accordance with the Medicare bulk billing schedule.
- 349 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education whether she will advise the name of each person against whom proceedings have been brought, since 1982, for the non-payment of amounts owing under Department of Education bonds, indicating in each case—(a) the amount owed; (b) the stage proceedings have reached; and (c) where judgment has been given in favour of the Department, whether there has been execution of that judgment and the amount recovered.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 13 SEPTEMBER 1989**

- 350 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 351 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 352 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 353 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 354 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 355 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 356 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 357 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 358 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post-Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 359 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 360 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 361 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 362 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 363 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency

and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 364 MRS WADE—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 365 MRS WADE—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 366 MRS WADE—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 367 MRS WADE—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 368 MRS WADE—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 369 MRS WADE—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 370 MRS WADE—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or

to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 371 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 372 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 373 **MR WALLACE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many schools with relocatable or portable classroom buildings have more than their entitlement, indicating—(a) the region; (b) the school and its entitlement; and (c) the number in excess of entitlement.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

This issue provides a numerical reference to Questions remaining unanswered, together with the text of Questions lodged on Thursday, 14 September 1989.

The full text of Questions will be issued during the Session on a periodical basis. The last Question Notice Paper containing the full text of all unanswered Questions was issued on Tuesday, 5 September 1989.

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.

- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.

8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.

61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:

- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
- 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
- 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
- 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.

64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:

- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
- 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
- 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
- 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
- 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.

65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.

66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.

67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:

- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
- 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.

68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.

69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
- 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
- 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
- 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.

70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:

- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
- 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
- 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
- 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
- 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
- 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
- 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
- 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.

72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:

- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.

- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act 1986* between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology “Q” index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.

- 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
- 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
- 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal's accommodation at Marland House.
- 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

- 102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour

- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
- 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley's home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
- 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.

- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.

- 110 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide details of the special redundancy package negotiated with the Victorian Public Service Association Secretary, Mr Jim Young, for Mr Tom Hammer, a long term WorkCare beneficiary, and details of his WorkCare settlement.

- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.
- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.
- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.

127 MR GUDE—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.

2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the former Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout; if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.

129 MR AUSTIN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.

130 MR AUSTIN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.

131 MR GUDE—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 DECEMBER 1988

142 MR AUSTIN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

144 MR AUSTIN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

147 MR AUSTIN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

- 148 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 MARCH 1989

- 162 **MR COOPER**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years ended 30 June 1982–1988:
- 1 How many collisions there were between trains and motor vehicles involving loss of life, indicating how many lives were lost in each collision.
 - 2 How many pedestrians were killed by trains in—(a) the Melbourne metropolitan area; and (b) country and provincial Victoria at—(i) railway crossings; (ii) railway stations; and (iii) other sections of railway line, respectively.
 - 3 How many other persons were killed on railway property, indicating the circumstances in each case.
- 164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
 - 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—(a) whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and (b) when the equipment will be operative.

- 165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—(a) what studies were made; and (b) what were the findings in each case.
- 169 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—(a) the number of appointments made; and (b) the languages spoken by the appointees.
 - 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—(a) the date of appointment; (b) the location; (c) whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and (d) the languages spoken.
 - 3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—(a) the location; and (b) the number of staff and the functions performed.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.
- 170 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.
 - 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.
- 173 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken in the production of multi-lingual health information and the development of multi-lingual advice services, indicating the publications and their areas of distribution, respectively.
 - 2 How many interpreters/translators are provided by the Government in relation to the delivery of health services at a Government and non-Government level, indicating—(a) the locations at which appointments have been made; (b) the date and duration of each appointment; and (c) the language spoken by the appointees.
 - 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to initiate training courses for health-care interpreters and to recruit appropriately qualified bi-lingual health personnel in Australia and overseas, indicating—(a) the location and duration of such courses; (b) the number of students engaged; and (c) the number of qualified people recruited from Australia and overseas indicating the languages covered in courses and recruitment, respectively.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken since April 1982 to develop co-operative projects between hospitals, community health centres and the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the particular projects; (b) the

group towards which each project was directed; and (c) the number of people employed in each instance.

- 5 How many additional personnel have been appointed to provide interpreting and bi-lingual counselling services in the fields of—(a) preventative medicine; (b) pre and post-natal services; (c) services for the aged; (d) services for disabled people; and (e) children's health services, respectively since April 1982, indicating, in respect of each category—(i) the location of such personnel; (ii) the date and duration of appointment in each case; and (iii) the languages spoken in each location.

183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to—(a) provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; (b) allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and (c) encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.

184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
- 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
- 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
- 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.

185 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- 1 How many members of the Victoria Police are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
- 2 What the reasons are for police being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
- 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
- 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of police in each year of WorkCare.

186 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- 1 How many personnel employed with the Victoria State Emergency Service are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
- 2 What the reasons are for State Emergency Services staff being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
- 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
- 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of State Emergency Services staff in each year of WorkCare.

189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had

an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.

192 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

- 1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.
- 2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989

200 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.
- 2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.

202 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:

- 1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Geelong sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.
- 2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.

203 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands:

- 1 What submissions the Department has received and acted on in relation to the effect of surfactants upon trees in the Barwon coastal region.
- 2 Whether she will advise what action (if any) has been taken, based upon overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling beach erosion and its application, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 MARCH 1989

208 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

- 1 What the costs are of the departmental study into the establishment of the Carrum water sports centre, indicating what costs have been incurred in each year since April 1982 to date.
- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to address problems associated with sewerage outfall pollution at the Carrum centre.
- 3 Whether he has considered representations by the Geelong community for a water sports centre in Geelong where boatsheds and tourist infrastructure are already established; if so, with what result.
- 4 Whether he will continue to liaise with groups such as the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and the Geelong Canoeist and Rowing Association to co-ordinate developments for the Geelong region.

5 What studies the Department has made in conjunction with Geelong municipal councils and the Geelong Regional Commission to achieve proper water sports facilities in Geelong.

210 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong–Ballarat and Gheringhap–Inverleigh railway lines:

- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.
- 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

211 MR DICKINSON—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:

- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environment Protection Authority licence in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
- 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the licence standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.

213 MR GAVIN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.

214 MR SIMMONDS—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.

218 MR SIMMONDS—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
- 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
- 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 APRIL 1989

225 MR GUDE—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what was the purchase price of the painting "The Ritual 1986" purchased by the State Library in 1988, and who was the officer responsible for its purchase.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 18 APRIL 1989

230 MR STEGGALL—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Swan Hill:

- 1 What programmes have been funded and administered by the Department since 1985, indicating the capital and recurrent funds expended on each programme, and the year it was expended.

2 What proportion of total State funds for the Arts has been allocated to the district for each financial year since 1984-85.

- 231 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the past four years, what was the value of goods claimed as lost or stolen from V/Line, indicating—(a) how many claims were made; and (b) the total sum of money paid in settlement of such claims.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 MAY 1989

- 233 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Road Construction Authority, Road Traffic Authority, State Transport Authority, Metropolitan Transit Authority, Port of Portland Authority, Port of Geelong Authority and Port of Melbourne Authority:

1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.

2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 234 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Major Projects Unit:

1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.

2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 236 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for municipalities:

1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.

2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 243 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:

1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.

2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 248 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Rural Finance Commission:

1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.

2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 250 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, the Rural Water Commission, the Dandenong Valley Authority and Water and Sewerage authorities:

1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.

2 Which properties and projects have been affected.

- 253 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, how many accidents resulted in

workers compensation claims for the period from August 1986 to April 1989, indicating the number of claims each month.

254 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the publication "Direction of Occupational Health and Safety Consultants in Victoria 1989":

- 1 Whether advertisements were placed seeking responses from health and safety consultants wishing to be listed in the publication; if so—(a) where the advertisements were placed; (b) over what period of time the advertisements were placed; (c) whether any of the advertisements were placed in trade union owned/sponsored newspapers or periodicals, indicating—(i) the newspaper or periodicals, and (ii) the proportion of the advertising campaign; and (d) what the total cost of the advertising programme was.
- 2 Whether the Department of Labour obtained legal advice on the effectiveness of the disclaimer contained in the Directory in the event of any legal action arising from publication of the Directory; if so, what advice was received.
- 3 How many copies of the directory have been printed, indicating—(a) the total cost of printing and distribution (including paper); (b) who printed the Directory; and (c) who compiled and proof read the document, and at what cost.
- 4 Whether any departmental staff were involved in the preparation of the directory; if so—(i) in what areas; and (ii) what the cost was of this resource allocation.
- 5 Whether any action was taken to verify the credential of private consultants listed in the Directory; if so, what action.
- 6 Whether the Department fully-funded the publication; if so, at what cost; if not, who provided the funds.
- 7 Whether any legal action has been initiated as a result of the National Safety Council listing and its failure to deliver any services contracted for; if so, is the Government defending the disclaimer published in the Directory.
- 8 Whether the Department is aware of any consultants using their Directory listing for advertising purposes; if so, is any action being taken against the offending consultants.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 23 MAY 1989

256 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in his capacity as Minister responsible for Prices, whether he is aware of the high cost of some pharmaceutical products, such as ventolin inhalers for asthma sufferers; if so, what action (if any) has he taken to review prices in this area.

259 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud cases, respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during the six months period from 1 July to 31 December 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.

261 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of the availability of public housing in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe:

- 1 What the address is of each house, indicating on what date each was acquired and its purchase cost.
- 2 What value of improvements have been made for each house since acquisition.

262 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction how many applications from residents of

the City of Doncaster and Templestowe are on the waiting list for Ministry rental accommodation as at 31 March 1989.

- 263 **MR MATHEWS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will ascertain and inform the House which International Labour Organisation conventions have Federal and State Labour Ministers identified as having priority status for recognition, indicating in which cases the laws and practices of Victoria are in conformity with this convention.
- 269 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 270 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 272 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 275 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 276 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 279 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 281 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 283 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Arts what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 284 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 285 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 24 MAY 1989

- 286 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, what funds were provided for the construction of Thompsons Road Bulleen, between Bulleen and Manningham roads, by the previous Country Roads Board, in each financial year between 1977–78 and 1986–87, inclusive.

287 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the reconstruction of Bulleen Road, Bulleen:

- 1 Whether traffic lights will be installed at the intersection of Golden Way and Bulleen Road, Bulleen, to allow safe entry to Bulleen Road for residents living within the area bounded by Manningham, Thompsons and Bulleen roads; if not, why.
- 2 Whether a right turn lane will be included as part of the present roadworks in Bulleen Road, Bulleen to allow residents to turn right into Ilma Court, Bulleen; if not, why.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 MAY 1989

291 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, what programs are administered by the Ministry of Housing to provide shelter and security for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 AUGUST 1989

298 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education whether the Community Research Action Centre, Monash University, in co-operation with Outrage and the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology, produced a book entitled "The Company We Keep"; if so—(a) what was the cost of producing the book; and (b) which government agencies contributed towards the cost of the book, indicating, in each case, the amount involved.

299 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to all buildings owned or leased by the Government and/or Government agencies and which are used or intended to be used for office accommodation:

- 1 What is the address of each building, indicating the area in each building used or proposed to be used for office accommodation.
- 2 Which departments, agencies and authorities utilise such areas in each building.

300 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to buildings or parts of buildings leased out by the Crown or its agencies—(a) what the address is of each building; (b) what the term is of each lease, indicating—(i) the name of each lessee; (ii) the expiration date; (iii) date of commencement; and (iv) the area under lease.

301 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to buildings or parts of buildings not owned by the Crown but leased from other parties—(a) what the address is of each building; (b) who the owner is of each building; and (c) what the term is of each lease, indicating—(i) the expiration date; (ii) the commencement date; (iii) the area under lease; and (iv) the rent payable.

302 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services how much money has been spent by the Government between April 1982 and 30 June 1989 to purchase property used or occupied by Government departments or agencies.

303 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in relation to the period April 1982 to 30 June 1989, what buildings occupied by Government departments or its agencies have been sold by the Government, indicating—(a) the location of each building; (b) the date of sale; and (c) the amounts which were realised on each sale.

304 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether payouts were made to employees who were stood down when work on the new Barwon

bridge ceased for seven months; if so—(a) what was the basis for the payouts; and (b) what is the estimated additional cost of completing the bridge and meeting the revised completion date.

- 305 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the proposed ring-road around Geelong from Lara to Waurin Ponds:
- 1 What land has been acquired by the Government for the ring-road as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What action is being taken to purchase the balance of property required for the ring-road.
 - 3 What is the estimated date for commencement of work to build the ring-road.
 - 4 What steps are being taken to plant trees in the easement along the side of the proposed ring-road.
- 306 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, with respect to the Geelong region, incorporating the municipalities of Corio, Geelong, Newtown, South Barwon, Geelong West, Bellarine, Queenscliffe and Barrabool:
- 1 Whether the Minister will advise what rental arrears are owed to the Ministry of Housing as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What steps are being taken to recover such outstanding debts.
 - 3 How many people are currently on the waiting list for Ministry accommodation as at 30 June 1989.
 - 4 What is the estimated waiting period for allocation of a Ministry house or unit.
 - 5 Whether the Minister has any plans to build or purchase additional houses in the above municipalities during the next five years; if so, how many new properties will be available to ease the waiting list.
 - 6 What the average cost is of each dwelling either built or purchased by the Ministry as at 30 June 1989.
 - 7 Whether the Ministry regularly monitors tenants to ensure that they continue to be eligible for accommodation.
 - 8 What action, if any, is taken by the Ministry against tenants whose financial circumstances have improved to the point where they no longer qualify for Ministry accommodation and they have failed to notify the Ministry of that fact.
- 307 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the former Minister's reply of 5 March 1987 to question No. 381 and following the investigation by the Fraud Squad into abuse of the Ministry's bond and relocation scheme:
- 1 How many people were charged as a result of that investigation.
 - 2 What funds were recovered by the Ministry.
 - 3 What monies were not recovered.
 - 4 Whether any further cases of abuse of the scheme have been detected since the investigation; if so, what steps have been taken by the Ministry to avoid any future abuses of the scheme.
- 308 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years 1987, 1988 and 1989 (to date):
- 1 What was the number of road accidents in the entire region covered by the electoral province of Geelong.
 - 2 What were the locations where those accidents occurred.
 - 3 How many accidents resulted in fatalities.

- 4 What percentage of road accidents involved alcohol as the cause or a contributing factor.
- 309 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, during the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, how many documents were translated into other languages for the Victorian Trades Hall Council or other trade unions by the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the cost of such translation work; and (b) how much was recovered for the translation work.
- 310 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in relation to each of the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, what grants were made by the Ethnic Affairs Commission to organisations where a member of the Commission held an executive position in that organisation, indicating—(a) the organisation receiving the grant; (b) the grant received; and (c) the name of the Ethnic Affairs Commissioner involved.
- 311 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise—(a) what the full cost is of the inspire system referred to in the *Department of Labour News*, Number 10, June 1989; and (b) what the total cost was of the pilot “establishment inspection record” system which preceded it.
- 312 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in view of recent environmental studies in the United States of America relating to toxic emissions from industry:
- 1 What environmental studies and monitoring are currently being undertaken in industrial areas of Victoria as to the short and long term effects on the health of the community.
 - 2 Where monitoring stations are currently situated, indicating whether monitoring is carried out by the Environment Protection Authority or the industries responsible for the noxious emissions.
 - 3 When reports regarding such findings will be made available to the public of Victoria.
- 313 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, from April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Department of Labour, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.
- 314 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, from April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Ministry of Education, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.
- 315 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 What action, if any, the Government is taking to resolve problems associated with sewage, industrial waste and salt being flushed into the Barwon river system.
 - 2 Whether he will arrange for an environmental impact study to be undertaken into the current usage of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems and the damage being done to water catchment areas in the Barwon and Moorabool region through current land use practice with increased urban development; if not, why.
 - 3 Whether the Department of Water Resources is taking any steps to ensure the purity of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems; if so, what action is being taken.

4 What action, if any, the Department of Water Resources is taking to rectify the damage from increased salinity and siltation of the Connewarre Lake and floodplain region.

5 Whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, implement a tree planting scheme along the Barwon and Moorabool river systems as a measure to counter salinity and other environmental damage occurring to the atmosphere in the region.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 AUGUST 1989

318 **MR PLOWMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in relation to the Kalatha council road, Murrindindi:

1 What is the projected upgrade planned for the road over the next two years, indicating—(a) the distance; (b) the road width; (c) the estimated materials to be used; and (d) the estimated costs.

2 What volume of timber will be removed from adjacent to the road to enable the upgrade, indicating—(a) the volume of—(i) saw logs; (ii) pulpwood; and (iii) unused waste; and (b) the anticipated royalties.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 AUGUST 1989

319 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.

2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

320 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.

2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

321 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.

2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

322 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89).

2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

323 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.

2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 3 Whether he will advise what the total public sector WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 4 Whether he will advise what the total private sector payment was in each of the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 5 Whether he will advise what the total local government WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
- 324 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 325 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 326 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 327 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 328 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 329 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 330 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.

- 331 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 332 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 333 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 334 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 335 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 336 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 337 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 338 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post-Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.

- 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 339 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 340 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 341 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 5 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 342 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what special school facilities are provided for children with intellectual and/or physical disabilities from non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 343 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 Whether he will advise what steps have been taken to carry out an environmental effects study into toxic waste being dumped at Tullamarine.
 - 2 Whether he will advise what action has been, or is planned to be, taken to reduce the risk to the community as a result of the dumping at this site.
- 344 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Premier:
- 1 In respect of each of the financial years 1986-87, 1987-88 and 1988-89, what was the cost of transport provided for—(a) Ministers and officials of the Government; (b) Leaders of the Liberal Party; (c) Leaders of the National Party; (d) retired Premiers; and (e) other eligible dignitaries.
 - 2 Whether a government car was provided to the Honourable W. A. Landeryou, M.L.C., or the Honourable R. C. Fordham, M.P. after they ceased to be Ministers of the Crown; if so—(a) for what period of time; and (b) at what cost.
 - 3 Whether government cars have been provided to any other former Minister, Party Leader or office holder; if so—(a) to whom; (b) for what period of time; and (c) at what cost.
- 345 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in addition to the information made

available via a memorandum dated 17 August 1989 in relation to Olympic Games facilities:

- 1 Whether the Minister will provide a list of Government building projects undertaken since 1982, giving details of—(a) the names of architects engaged for each project; (b) the names of building contractors engaged for each project; and (c) the cost of each project, specifying fees paid to the architects and builders in each case.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise which Government building projects, since 1982 have been granted to the architectural firms—(a) Daryl Jackson Pty. Ltd.; and (b) Bates, Smart and McCutcheon Pty. Ltd.
- 346 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, whether the Minister will provide details of the names of all architects and building contractors who have put forward, or are putting forward, proposals to the Government to undertake work for the Jolimont railway extensions and the Victoria Dock development.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 12 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 347 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of the Geelong and District Water Board project to build stage 1A of the Geelong Water Treatment Plant:
- 1 Whether he will advise—(a) the date that the Board applied for approval to commence work; (b) the date that approval was granted; and (c) the reason for the delay between application and approval being given.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House of what additional costs (if any) will be incurred as a result of the delay in approval being given, indicating who will be required to pay these additional costs.
- 348 **MR HAMILTON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each of the past three financial years:
- 1 Whether the Minister will advise what fees were collected for radiology services provided at the amalgamated Central Gippsland and Morwell Hospital, Traralgon, indicating—(a) what payments were made to the hospital by the radiologist; (b) what was the schedule of fee for service charged by the radiologist; and (c) how these fees compared with those charged for similar services at other hospitals in the region.
 - 2 Whether the hospital Board of Management requested approval for the inclusion of salaried radiologists in its staff establishment; if so, with what result.
 - 3 When does the current contract between the radiologist and the hospital expire, indicating—(a) whether the contract is renewable; and (b) under what circumstances.
 - 4 Whether the regional office of the Health Department will act to inform the community and local general practitioners that a private radiologist is providing x-ray services and charging in accordance with the Medicare bulk billing schedule.
- 349 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education whether she will advise the name of each person against whom proceedings have been brought, since 1982, for the non-payment of amounts owing under Department of Education bonds, indicating in each case—(a) the amount owed; (b) the stage proceedings have reached; and (c) where judgment has been given in favour of the Department, whether there has been execution of that judgment and the amount recovered.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 13 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 350 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 351 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 352 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 353 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 354 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 355 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 356 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 357 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 358 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post-Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 359 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 360 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 361 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 362 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 363 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 364 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 365 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 366 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 367 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 368 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 369 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 370 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 371 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding

received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 372 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 373 **MR WALLACE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many schools with relocatable or portable classroom buildings have more than their entitlement, indicating—(a) the region; (b) the school and its entitlement; and (c) the number in excess of entitlement.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 374 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, whether he will advise of the results of feasibility studies on the cost benefits to Victorian municipalities and ratepayers of amalgamation of local government facilities and services, indicating in which specific area 'economies of scale' would occur in both financial and resource terms.
- 375 **MR PESCOTT**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the official opening of the duplication of the Bunyip section of the Princes Highway on 2 June 1989 near Wimpole's Road:
- 1 What was the total cost of the opening.
 - 2 What was the breakup of the costs associated with the opening, indicating the cost of—(a) the construction of the roadway from Wimpole's Road to the site of the official opening; (b) the supply of sand and/or screenings to the roadway; (c) the application of such sand and/or screenings; (d) the hire of toilets; (e) the hire of the marquee or tent; (f) the cost of the luncheon and the total cost thereof; (g) discovery, transport and placement of the large rock near the marquee or tent site; (h) construction of the steps and/or path from the marquee or tent to the roadway including the placement of the red gum rises; and (i) purchase, delivery and spreading of the wood chips or other material on the steps and/or path to the roadways.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 31 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, with respect to the Government's Youth Guarantee Program, whether he will advise full details of:
- 1 How many young adults in the Geelong region have been placed in long-term employment as a direct result of the program.
 - 2 How many participants are yet to be placed in employment.
 - 3 What the nature is of positions that have been filled by applicants from the Program.
 - 4 What has been the total cost of operating the Program in the Geelong region, from its implementation to date.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.

- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.
- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 59 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to Transmark (British Rail) consultants:
- 1 When were the consultants first hired by either V/Line or Met Rail.
 - 2 When did their employment terminate and was it unbroken up until that time.
 - 3 How many consultants were employed and what were their names.
 - 4 What has been the full cost of employing these consultants.
 - 5 Were cars supplied to these consultants.
 - 6 Were air fares either within or outside Australia paid for; if so, what were the details of all trips including destination and cost.
 - 7 Was rental for any residence for these consultants paid for; if so, what were the details.

- 8 Whether there were any other costs associated with employing these consultants besides salary, travel, vehicle costs and rental assistance indicating what these costs were for and the amount of monies paid.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
 - 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
 - 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.
- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
 - 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
 - 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.
- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.
- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
 - 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.

69 MR BROWN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
- 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
- 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
- 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.

70 MR BROWN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:

- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
- 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
- 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
- 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

71 MR BROWN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
- 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
- 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
- 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
- 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.

72 MR BROWN—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:

- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.

- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology "Q" index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.

- 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
- 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
- 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal's accommodation at Marland House.
- 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 23 NOVEMBER 1988

102 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware of the decision made on 1 September 1988 by the Special Disputes Board regarding the Barwon river bridge project, if so—(a) what action will be taken to ensure this project is completed; (b) what is the estimated total cost of the project when completed; and (c) what is the revised completion date.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour

- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
- 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley's home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
- 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.

109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.

114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:

- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.

- 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 120 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, how many Department of Labour employees were on WorkCare or Workers' Compensation as at 30 November in each of the years 1982 to 1988, indicating, in respect of each year, how many were of—(i) 0–3 months duration; (ii) 3–6 months duration; (iii) 6–9 months duration; (iv) 9–12 months duration; and (v) over 12 months duration.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.
- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.
- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.
- 127 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether employees in the Health Department took industrial action on 15 November 1988 by refusing to work because white asbestos powder was dropping from the ceiling and escaping into the ventilation system during a clean-up programme.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House if the former Minister for Health, the Honourable David White moved out of his office on 10 November 1988 for his own protection but the employees who withdrew on the 15 November 1988 were not warned of the danger or protected from the fallout;

if so—(a) why the employees were not warned, (b) why they were not told no tests were necessary; and (c) what action, if any, will be taken to give employees of the Health Department similar consideration to that taken by the Minister of Health for himself.

- 129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.
- 130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.
- 131 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, will he make available all audit reports on the Building and Construction Industry Division, Training Foundation.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 DECEMBER 1988

- 144 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 147 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency

or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 MARCH 1989

- 164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
 - 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—(a) whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and (b) when the equipment will be operative.
- 165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—(a) what studies were made; and (b) what were the findings in each case.
- 169 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—(a) the number of appointments made; and (b) the languages spoken by the appointees.
 - 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—(a) the date of appointment; (b) the location; (c) whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and (d) the languages spoken.
 - 3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—(a) the location; and (b) the number of staff and the functions performed.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.
- 170 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.
 - 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.

173 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health:

- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken in the production of multi-lingual health information and the development of multi-lingual advice services, indicating the publications and their areas of distribution, respectively.
- 2 How many interpreters/translators are provided by the Government in relation to the delivery of health services at a Government and non-Government level, indicating—(a) the locations at which appointments have been made; (b) the date and duration of each appointment; and (c) the language spoken by the appointees.
- 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to initiate training courses for health-care interpreters and to recruit appropriately qualified bi-lingual health personnel in Australia and overseas, indicating—(a) the location and duration of such courses; (b) the number of students engaged; and (c) the number of qualified people recruited from Australia and overseas indicating the languages covered in courses and recruitment, respectively.
- 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken since April 1982 to develop co-operative projects between hospitals, community health centres and the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the particular projects; (b) the group towards which each project was directed; and (c) the number of people employed in each instance.
- 5 How many additional personnel have been appointed to provide interpreting and bi-lingual counselling services in the fields of—(a) preventative medicine; (b) pre and post-natal services; (c) services for the aged; (d) services for disabled people; and (e) children's health services, respectively since April 1982, indicating, in respect of each category—(i) the location of such personnel; (ii) the date and duration of appointment in each case; and (iii) the languages spoken in each location.

183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to— (a) provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; (b) allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and (c) encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.

184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
- 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
- 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
- 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.

185 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- 1 How many members of the Victoria Police are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
- 2 What the reasons are for police being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
- 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.

4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of police in each year of WorkCare.

186 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

1 How many personnel employed with the Victoria State Emergency Service are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.

2 What the reasons are for State Emergency Services staff being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.

3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.

4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of State Emergency Services staff in each year of WorkCare.

189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.

192 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.

2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989

200 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.

2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.

202 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:

1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Geelong sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.

2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 MARCH 1989

208 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation:

1 What the costs are of the departmental study into the establishment of the Carrum water sports centre, indicating what costs have been incurred in each year since April 1982 to date.

- 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to address problems associated with sewerage outfall pollution at the Carrum centre.
 - 3 Whether he has considered representations by the Geelong community for a water sports centre in Geelong where boatsheds and tourist infrastructure are already established; if so, with what result.
 - 4 Whether he will continue to liaise with groups such as the Geelong Chamber of Commerce and the Geelong Canoeist and Rowing Association to co-ordinate developments for the Geelong region.
 - 5 What studies the Department has made in conjunction with Geelong municipal councils and the Geelong Regional Commission to achieve proper water sports facilities in Geelong.
- 210 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong-Ballarat and Gheringhap-Inverleigh railway lines:
- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.
 - 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

- 211 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environment Protection Authority licence in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
 - 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the licence standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.
- 213 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.
- 214 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.
- 218 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 APRIL 1989

- 225 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what was the purchase price of the painting "The Ritual 1986" purchased by the State Library in 1988, and who was the officer responsible for its purchase.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 18 APRIL 1989

- 230 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Swan Hill:
- 1 What programmes have been funded and administered by the Department since 1985, indicating the capital and recurrent funds expended on each programme, and the year it was expended.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds for the Arts has been allocated to the district for each financial year since 1984–85.
- 231 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the past four years, what was the value of goods claimed as lost or stolen from V/Line, indicating—(a) how many claims were made; and (b) the total sum of money paid in settlement of such claims.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 MAY 1989

- 233 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Road Construction Authority, Road Traffic Authority, State Transport Authority, Metropolitan Transit Authority, Port of Portland Authority, Port of Geelong Authority and Port of Melbourne Authority:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 234 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Major Projects Unit:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 236 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for municipalities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 243 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 250 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Melbourne

and Metropolitan Board of Works, the Rural Water Commission, the Dandenong Valley Authority and Water and Sewerage authorities:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 253 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, how many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the period from August 1986 to April 1989, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 254 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the publication "Direction of Occupational Health and Safety Consultants in Victoria 1989":
- 1 Whether advertisements were placed seeking responses from health and safety consultants wishing to be listed in the publication; if so—(a) where the advertisements were placed; (b) over what period of time the advertisements were placed; (c) whether any of the advertisements were placed in trade union owned/sponsored newspapers or periodicals, indicating—(i) the newspaper or periodicals, and (ii) the proportion of the advertising campaign; and (d) what the total cost of the advertising programme was.
 - 2 Whether the Department of Labour obtained legal advice on the effectiveness of the disclaimer contained in the Directory in the event of any legal action arising from publication of the Directory; if so, what advice was received.
 - 3 How many copies of the directory have been printed, indicating—(a) the total cost of printing and distribution (including paper); (b) who printed the Directory; and (c) who compiled and proof read the document, and at what cost.
 - 4 Whether any departmental staff were involved in the preparation of the directory; if so—(i) in what areas; and (ii) what the cost was of this resource allocation.
 - 5 Whether any action was taken to verify the credential of private consultants listed in the Directory; of so, what action.
 - 6 Whether the Department fully-funded the publication; if so, at what cost; if not, who provided the funds.
 - 7 Whether any legal action has been initiated as a result of the National Safety Council listing and its failure to deliver any services contracted for; if so, is the Government defending the disclaimer published in the Directory.
 - 8 Whether the Department is aware of any consultants using their Directory listing for advertising purposes; if so, is any action being taken against the offending consultants.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 23 MAY 1989

- 256 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in his capacity as Minister responsible for Prices, whether he is aware of the high cost of some pharmaceutical products, such as ventolin inhalers for asthma sufferers; if so, what action (if any) has he taken to review prices in this area.
- 259 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, what number of homicide, serious assault, robbery, rape, burglary, theft, motor vehicle theft, and fraud cases, respectively, in the City of Doncaster and Templestowe were reported to—(a) Heidelberg; and (b) Doncaster police during the six months period from 1 July to 31 December 1988, indicating how many of these crimes were solved.

- 263 **MR MATHEWS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will ascertain and inform the House which International Labour Organisation conventions have Federal and State Labour Ministers identified as having priority status for recognition, indicating in which cases the laws and practices of Victoria are in conformity with this convention.
- 269 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 270 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 272 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 275 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 279 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 281 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 283 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Arts what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 285 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 24 MAY 1989

- 286 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, what funds were provided for the construction of Thompsons Road Bulleen, between Bulleen and Manningham roads, by the previous Country Roads Board, in each financial year between 1977–78 and 1986–87, inclusive.
- 287 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the reconstruction of Bulleen Road, Bulleen:
- 1 Whether traffic lights will be installed at the intersection of Golden Way and Bulleen Road, Bulleen, to allow safe entry to Bulleen Road for residents living within the area bounded by Manningham, Thompsons and Bulleen roads; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether a right turn lane will be included as part of the present roadworks in Bulleen Road, Bulleen to allow residents to turn right into Ilma Court, Bulleen; if not, why.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 25 MAY 1989

- 291 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, what programs are administered by the Ministry of Housing to provide shelter and security for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 AUGUST 1989

- 304 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether payouts were made to employees who were stood down when work on the new Barwon bridge ceased for seven months; if so—(a) what was the basis for the payouts; and (b) what is the estimated additional cost of completing the bridge and meeting the revised completion date.
- 305 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the proposed ring-road around Geelong from Lara to Waurn Ponds:
- 1 What land has been acquired by the Government for the ring-road as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What action is being taken to purchase the balance of property required for the ring-road.
 - 3 What is the estimated date for commencement of work to build the ring-road.
 - 4 What steps are being taken to plant trees in the easement along the side of the proposed ring-road.
- 306 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, with respect to the Geelong region, incorporating the municipalities of Corio, Geelong, Newtown, South Barwon, Geelong West, Bellarine, Queenscliffe and Barrabool:
- 1 Whether the Minister will advise what rental arrears are owed to the Ministry of Housing as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What steps are being taken to recover such outstanding debts.
 - 3 How many people are currently on the waiting list for Ministry accommodation as at 30 June 1989.
 - 4 What is the estimated waiting period for allocation of a Ministry house or unit.
 - 5 Whether the Minister has any plans to build or purchase additional houses in the above municipalities during the next five years; if so, how many new properties will be available to ease the waiting list.
 - 6 What the average cost is of each dwelling either built or purchased by the Ministry as at 30 June 1989.
 - 7 Whether the Ministry regularly monitors tenants to ensure that they continue to be eligible for accommodation.
 - 8 What action, if any, is taken by the Ministry against tenants whose financial circumstances have improved to the point where they no longer qualify for Ministry accommodation and they have failed to notify the Ministry of that fact.
- 307 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the former Minister's reply of 5 March 1987 to question No. 381 and following the investigation by the Fraud Squad into abuse of the Ministry's bond and relocation scheme:
- 1 How many people were charged as a result of that investigation.
 - 2 What funds were recovered by the Ministry.
 - 3 What monies were not recovered.

- 4 Whether any further cases of abuse of the scheme have been detected since the investigation; if so, what steps have been taken by the Ministry to avoid any future abuses of the scheme.
- 308 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years 1987, 1988 and 1989 (to date):
- 1 What was the number of road accidents in the entire region covered by the electoral province of Geelong.
 - 2 What were the locations where those accidents occurred.
 - 3 How many accidents resulted in fatalities.
 - 4 What percentage of road accidents involved alcohol as the cause or a contributing factor.
- 309 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, during the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, how many documents were translated into other languages for the Victorian Trades Hall Council or other trade unions by the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the cost of such translation work; and (b) how much was recovered for the translation work.
- 310 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in relation to each of the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, what grants were made by the Ethnic Affairs Commission to organisations where a member of the Commission held an executive position in that organisation, indicating—(a) the organisation receiving the grant; (b) the grant received; and (c) the name of the Ethnic Affairs Commissioner involved.
- 311 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise—(a) what the full cost is of the inspire system referred to in the *Department of Labour News*, Number 10, June 1989; and (b) what the total cost was of the pilot “establishment inspection record” system which preceded it.
- 312 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in view of recent environmental studies in the United States of America relating to toxic emissions from industry:
- 1 What environmental studies and monitoring are currently being undertaken in industrial areas of Victoria as to the short and long term effects on the health of the community.
 - 2 Where monitoring stations are currently situated, indicating whether monitoring is carried out by the Environment Protection Authority or the industries responsible for the noxious emissions.
 - 3 When reports regarding such findings will be made available to the public of Victoria.
- 313 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, from April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Department of Labour, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.
- 314 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, from April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Ministry of Education, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.

315 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:

- 1 What action, if any, the Government is taking to resolve problems associated with sewage, industrial waste and salt being flushed into the Barwon river system.
- 2 Whether he will arrange for an environmental impact study to be undertaken into the current usage of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems and the damage being done to water catchment areas in the Barwon and Moorabool region through current land use practice with increased urban development; if not, why.
- 3 Whether the Department of Water Resources is taking any steps to ensure the purity of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems; if so, what action is being taken.
- 4 What action, if any, the Department of Water Resources is taking to rectify the damage from increased salinity and siltation of the Connewarre Lake and floodplain region.
- 5 Whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, implement a tree planting scheme along the Barwon and Moorabool river systems as a measure to counter salinity and other environmental damage occurring to the atmosphere in the region.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 AUGUST 1989

318 **MR PLOWMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in relation to the Kalatha council road, Murrindindi:

- 1 What is the projected upgrade planned for the road over the next two years, indicating—(a) the distance; (b) the road width; (c) the estimated materials to be used; and (d) the estimated costs.
- 2 What volume of timber will be removed from adjacent to the road to enable the upgrade, indicating—(a) the volume of—(i) saw logs; (ii) pulpwood; and (iii) unused waste; and (b) the anticipated royalties.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 AUGUST 1989

319 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

320 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

321 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 322 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89).
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 323 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
 - 3 Whether he will advise what the total public sector WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 4 Whether he will advise what the total private sector payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 5 Whether he will advise what the total local government WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 324 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 325 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 326 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 327 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 328 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 329 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 330 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 331 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 332 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 333 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 334 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 335 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 336 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.

- 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 337 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 338 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post-Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 339 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 340 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 341 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 5 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 342 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education what special school facilities are provided for children with intellectual and/or physical disabilities from non-English speaking backgrounds.
- 343 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 Whether he will advise what steps have been taken to carry out an environmental effects study into toxic waste being dumped at Tullamarine.
 - 2 Whether he will advise what action has been, or is planned to be, taken to reduce the risk to the community as a result of the dumping at this site.
- 345 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in addition to the information made

available via a memorandum dated 17 August 1989 in relation to Olympic Games facilities:

- 1 Whether the Minister will provide a list of Government building projects undertaken since 1982, giving details of—(a) the names of architects engaged for each project; (b) the names of building contractors engaged for each project; and (c) the cost of each project, specifying fees paid to the architects and builders in each case.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise which Government building projects, since 1982 have been granted to the architectural firms—(a) Daryl Jackson Pty. Ltd.; and (b) Bates, Smart and McCutcheon Pty. Ltd.
- 346 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, whether the Minister will provide details of the names of all architects and building contractors who have put forward, or are putting forward, proposals to the Government to undertake work for the Jolimont railway extensions and the Victoria Dock development.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 12 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 347 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of the Geelong and District Water Board project to build stage 1A of the Geelong Water Treatment Plant:
- 1 Whether he will advise—(a) the date that the Board applied for approval to commence work; (b) the date that approval was granted; and (c) the reason for the delay between application and approval being given.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House of what additional costs (if any) will be incurred as a result of the delay in approval being given, indicating who will be required to pay these additional costs.
- 348 **MR HAMILTON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each of the past three financial years:
- 1 Whether the Minister will advise what fees were collected for radiology services provided at the amalgamated Central Gippsland and Morwell Hospital, Traralgon, indicating—(a) what payments were made to the hospital by the radiologist; (b) what was the schedule of fee for service charged by the radiologist; and (c) how these fees compared with those charged for similar services at other hospitals in the region.
 - 2 Whether the hospital Board of Management requested approval for the inclusion of salaried radiologists in its staff establishment; if so, with what result.
 - 3 When does the current contract between the radiologist and the hospital expire, indicating—(a) whether the contract is renewable; and (b) under what circumstances.
 - 4 Whether the regional office of the Health Department will act to inform the community and local general practitioners that a private radiologist is providing x-ray services and charging in accordance with the Medicare bulk billing schedule.
- 349 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education whether she will advise the name of each person against whom proceedings have been brought, since 1982, for the non-payment of amounts owing under Department of Education bonds, indicating in each case—(a) the amount owed; (b) the stage proceedings have reached; and (c) where judgment has been given in favour of the Department, whether there has been execution of that judgment and the amount recovered.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 13 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 350 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 351 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 352 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 353 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 354 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 355 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 356 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 357 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 358 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post-Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 359 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 360 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 361 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 362 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 363 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 364 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 365 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 366 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 367 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 368 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 369 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 370 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 371 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding

received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 372 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 373 **MR WALLACE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many schools with relocatable or portable classroom buildings have more than their entitlement, indicating—(a) the region; (b) the school and its entitlement; and (c) the number in excess of entitlement.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 374 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, whether he will advise of the results of feasibility studies on the cost benefits to Victorian municipalities and ratepayers of amalgamation of local government facilities and services, indicating in which specific areas 'economies of scale' would occur in both financial and resource terms.
- 375 **MR PESCOTT**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the official opening of the duplication of the Bunyip section of the Princes Highway on 2 June 1989 near Wimpole's road:
- 1 What was the total cost of the opening.
 - 2 What was the breakup of the costs associated with the opening, indicating the cost of—(a) the construction of the roadway from Wimpole's road to the site of the official opening; (b) the supply of sand and/or screenings to the roadway; (c) the application of such sand and/or screenings; (d) the hire of toilets; (e) the hire of the marquee or tent; (f) the cost of the luncheon and the total cost thereof; (g) discovery, transport and placement of the large rock near the marquee or tent site; (h) construction of the steps and/or path from the marquee or tent to the roadway including the placement of the red gum rises; and (i) purchase, delivery and spreading of the wood chips or other material on the steps and/or path to the roadways.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 12 OCTOBER 1989

- 376 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether the Government will introduce a Code of Practice for forklift drivers to reduce the current death rate of one worker per month.
- 377 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of WorkCare Rehabilitation Services:
- 1 How many applications were received by the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council for the registration of new public or private providers for the period 1 July and 30 September 1989, indicating—(a) the number of providers now accredited; (b) whether this is an increase or decrease on the previous three months; and (c) the name and location of each public and private provider.
 - 2 How many central referrals were made between 1 July and 30 September 1989, indicating—(a) how these central referrals were distributed across providers, giving a detailed breakdown by provider, both public and private; (b) how many central referrals were accepted into rehabilitation after assessment; and (c) how many direct referrals were made for rehabilitation—by worker, doctor, employer, union or solicitor.
 - 3 What is the proportion of direct referrals to public and private providers.
 - 4 How many rehabilitation plans have been approved in respect of central referrals made between 1 July and 30 September 1989, indicating—(a) the turn-around time between submitting a plan and its approval; (b) how this compares with the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council's goal for plan turn-around time; (c) the average cost per plan and the variance over the previous three months; and (d) how many cases were closed and the variance compared to the previous three months.
- 378 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of central referrals made by the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council between 1 July and 30 September 1989:
- 1 Whether he will advise the rehabilitation outcome of case closures.
 - 2 How many Rehabilitation Employment Program applications have been approved.
 - 3 How many clients have been referred for retraining, indicating the average cost of a retraining programme.
 - 4 How many clients were deemed unsuitable for rehabilitation due to—(a) an employer declining to provide employment; (b) failure to accept a suitable job; or (c) failure to participate in a rehabilitation programme.
- 379 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of central referrals made by the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council between 1 July and 30 September 1989:
- 1 How many audits have been undertaken since the Council's inception.
 - 2 What is the proportion of audits undertaken on public and private providers, indicating the outcome of these audits.
 - 3 What is the number of professionals that worked with approved public and private providers between 1 April and 30 September 1989, and what is the variance from the previous six monthly period.
- 380 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council:
- 1 What is the rejection rate for invoices submitted to the Council by public and private providers, respectively.

- 2 What was the level of invoices unpaid for 30, 60 and 90 days, respectively, as at 30 September 1989 by public and private providers, indicating the variance over the previous three months.
- 3 What was the average cheque processing time, between 1 July and 30 September 1989 after the Accident Compensation Council had been notified to pay, indicating the variance over the previous three months.
- 4 Whether he will advise of the Accident Compensation Council's goal in cheque processing time.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 24 OCTOBER 1989**

- 381 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of tramway works approved to be carried out at and on land adjacent to the Kew tram depot; whether he will advise when the works were approved, indicating—(a) the current position with respect to the approved works; (b) the timeframe for the completion of such works; and (c) the total projected cost of the works and how much has been spent to date.
- 382 **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*)—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether an 8 year old boy was sexually assaulted at the Western Suburbs Community Services Reception Centre by an employee of Community Services Victoria on 22 March 1989; if so—(a) whether the matter was reported to police, indicating the date on which the report was made; (b) on what date Community Services Victoria became aware of the incident; (c) whether he allowed the employee suspected of the offence to be deported before being charged with an offence; (d) whether anyone has been charged with the offence; and (e) whether he has announced that the victim and his brother are to be tested for AIDS, indicating the reasons justifying these tests being performed.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of the recruiting procedures used by Community Services Victoria at the time that the suspect employee was employed.
 - 3 Whether current recruiting procedures prevent the recruitment of applicants who—(a) are in Australia on tourist visas; (b) have AIDS; (c) are unqualified; or (d) are wanted by overseas police forces.

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NEW QUESTIONS

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 26 OCTOBER 1989

NIL

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 31 OCTOBER 1989

383 MR SIMMONDS—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:

- 1 Whether he has received complaints concerning Marsden and McGain Pty. Ltd. of Reservoir; if so—(a) how many complaints; (b) what is the basis of each complaint; and (c) what action has been taken, indicating whether discussions have been held with company representatives and the results of any such discussions.
- 2 Whether some of the company employees have collapsed because of exposure to chemicals in poorly ventilated premises; if so—(a) whether WorkCare benefits have been paid in each case, and if not, why; and (b) whether all medical and associated claims/costs have been paid by either the Company or WorkCare, and if not, why.
- 3 Whether he will advise, in respect of the Company—(a) the number of employees as at 31 October 1989; (b) the period of time that it has been operating in Victoria; and (c) how the safety record compares with other companies of similar size and operation in Victoria.

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NEW QUESTIONS**NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1989**

NIL

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS**NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 NOVEMBER 1989**

- 384 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the Australian Wool Corporation's tough stance on arsenical contamination in wool, resulting in a 20 per cent price penalty:
- 1 What steps is he taking to implement the chemical collection program.
 - 2 Whether the \$1.5 million, which was the estimated cost to run the program, has been reduced to \$400 000.
 - 3 Whether Departmental offices given the responsibility of administering the program are still awaiting guidelines.
- 385 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, whether he is aware that Californian oranges carrying the disease *Septoria Spot* are permitted into Victoria, whilst Victorian oranges with the same disease are not permitted to be imported into the U.S.A.; if so, what steps has he taken to promote a reciprocal trade between Victoria and the U.S.A.
- 386 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, whether he is aware of the serious potential threat to the Australian apple and pear industry in Northern Victoria from the devastating disease *Fireblight* if New Zealand is permitted to export apples to Australia; if so, what action has he taken to prevent this disease entering Victoria.
- 387 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the N.S.W. decision to deregulate the egg industry, what action will he take to ensure that Victorian producers are not misled into making incorrect decisions in the belief that egg quotas will be retained in Victoria until 1994.
- 388 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether he and his department are aware that the level of *enterococci* in sewage-polluted waters relates better to the incidence of gastroenteric symptoms in swimmers in such waters than the level of *E. coli*.
 - 2 Whether he and his department are aware that the standard methods for estimating *enterococci* in water are described in both the American and Australian standard methods for testing water.
 - 3 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has investigated the levels of *enterococci* in the waters of the environs of the Black Rock outfall and the beaches along the south-west coast, particularly Thirteenth Beach.
 - 4 Whether he and the various water authorities under his responsibility are aware that American work has shown that density of only 10/100 ml of *E. coli* and of *enterococci* in sewage-polluted marine waters is associated with an appreciable attack rate of gastro-intestinal symptoms among swimmers; if so, what action is he taking to alleviate this problem.

- 389 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling beach erosion, whether he will advise what action (if any) has been taken to apply such measures, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 16 NOVEMBER 1989

390 MR PLOWMAN—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in relation to the Government's decision to transfer Ministry of Housing rent repayments from the National Bank in Wodonga to Australia Post:

- 1 What were the reasons for this change.
- 2 What charge will Australia Post be making for this service.
- 3 What previous charge was made by the National Bank for these services.
- 4 Will tenants be able to pay rent at any time during business hours.
- 5 What services will Australia Post provide to tenants that could not be provided by the National Bank.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF VICTORIA

QUESTIONS

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 25 OCTOBER 1988

- 20 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will provide details and all individual performance procedures introduced by him into his Department, including procedure types and date of introduction of each procedure.
- 27 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer in respect of the period 1 January 1987 to 30 June 1987:
- 1 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for public hospitals.
 - 2 What is the total number of Accident Compensation Commission claims for private hospitals.
 - 3 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for public hospitals.
 - 4 What are the Accident Compensation Commission claims per \$1 million of wages for private hospitals.
 - 5 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for public hospitals.
 - 6 What is the average current estimated cost per claim for private hospitals.
- 35 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, whether the Minister will provide statistics identifying all hospitals or clinics in Victoria where termination of pregnancy is carried out, including—(a) the number of these operations performed annually at each hospital or clinic during the past five years; (b) the reason why this procedure was deemed necessary in each case; and (c) the total cost of each operation.
- 37 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number of fluoridation plants that have been built in regional Victoria and which have not yet been brought on stream, indicating, in each case—(a) the cost of the plant; and (b) the current annual depreciation.
 - 2 What plans, if any, the Government has for using these plants or utilising the buildings for other purposes, in light of community opposition to the implementation of fluoride in centres such as Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and Mildura.
- 40 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether the Government will initiate a full public inquiry into children's welfare in Victoria; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether he will take steps to implement a process where a more streamlined approach is adopted with co-ordination between Community Services Victoria and Police to ensure all reported cases of child abuse are investigated, and action taken to protect the interests of abused children.
 - 3 Whether the Government will introduce mandatory reporting of suspected cases of child abuse; if so, when.
- 41 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, whether he is aware that long delays of up to four months are being experienced

by Victorian welfare organisations in receiving due payments by Government; if so, what action will be taken to speed up the processing of payments so welfare organisations are not financially disadvantaged.

- 46 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the financial years 1982–83 to 1987–88 inclusive, what was the total cost of taxis for: (a) V/Line passengers being taken to their destination; and (b) the transportation of staff employed by V/Line, the State Transit System, the Met and other Transport Department employees.
- 51 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, what is the amount of 15 per cent taxation on superannuation income and contributions payable to the Commonwealth from 1 July 1988, proposed to be paid during 1988–89 for each of the State employee superannuation schemes.
- 58 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the State Transport Authority will become the employing authority for all officers engaged in the provision of railway services; if so, will officers employed by the Metropolitan Transit Authority who assume railway duties become employees of S.T.A.
 - 2 Whether it is envisaged that S.T.A. officers engaged in the provision of railway and railway ancillary services in the Melbourne metropolitan area will become employees of M.T.A. as a result of the current reorganisation of M.T.A.
 - 3 Whether the M.T.A. now has more levels of management than S.T.A. since the introduction of at least twelve directors whose salaries could be in the order of \$70 000.
 - 4 What is the estimated cost of the additional privileges that would result from the introduction of a common condition of employment scheme, if previous Metrail staff are to become employees of M.T.A.
- 61 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport with respect to the Transport Ministry funded “Rocking the Rails” pop concerts which were held throughout the Melbourne and Metropolitan area and at Ballarat during 1986 and 1987:
- 1 What was the total cost to the taxpayer to fund these pop concerts.
 - 2 How many pop concerts were held, indicating—(a) at what locations; and (b) how many staff were involved.
 - 3 Were any trains used to facilitate these pop concerts; if so, at what cost.
 - 4 How much money was paid to staff in overtime payments to facilitate the concerts.
- 64 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 What advice is given to transport operators regarding fees related to those permits which were introduced on 1 March 1988.
 - 2 What is the authority by which the \$50 vehicle/load inspection fee in respect of over-dimensional loads is charged.
 - 3 How many permits issued in the year ended 31 December 1987, involved inspection of the vehicle and/or load.
 - 4 What is the average daily number of applications received and permits issued respectively by the Road Traffic Authority, indicating the average time lapse between application for, and issue of, permit.
 - 5 How many permits were issued on each day, from 1 February 1988 to 31 March 1988, inclusive.

- 65 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether staffing problems in the Road Traffic Authority caused delays in mass and dimension permit issues throughout January and February 1988; if so, what was the extent of these problems and have they been satisfactorily resolved, indicating—(a) whether any management directives have been issued in relation to overtime limitations which would adversely affect the processing of applications for permits; and (b) how many man-hours overtime have been worked by staff of the permit section on each day during the months of January, February and March 1988.
- 66 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether there is a computer facility within the Road Traffic Authority capable of processing mass and dimension permit applications; if so, is it currently being fully utilised; if not why.
- 67 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to mass and dimension permits:
- 1 How many applications to establish credit facilities for payment of permit fees and associated charges have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
 - 2 What is the average time being taken to approve credit facilities from the date of receipt of the application at the Authority.
 - 3 What provision has been made for country-based transport operators to receive prompt approval for credit facilities and prompt issue of permits.
- 68 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether a mass and dimension permit will be issued to the owner of a prime mover or to the owner of a semi-trailer in respect of loads to be carried on articulated vehicles.
- 69 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988 permit vehicles of 4.3m in height to be—(a) used on Victorian roads; and (b) registered.
 - 2 What steps have been taken to allow continuity of business for coach operators presently operating 4.3m high coaches on Victorian highways by virtue of mass and dimension permits which expire on 30 June 1988.
 - 3 What provision has been made for operators of car-transporters to continue to operate with loads up to 4.3m high after expiry of their current permits on 30 June 1988.
 - 4 What provision has been made for the owners of 4.3m high coaches and car-transporters, first registered since 1 March 1988, to operate on the same network of roads available to vehicles registered prior to that date.
- 70 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to highways specified by the Road Traffic Authority in the *Government Gazette* (No. S. 15) dated 1 March 1988:
- 1 Whether he is aware that the specified highways prevent vehicles over 4.3m high access to all Victorian ports; if so, will the livestock export trade be affected by denying such livestock vehicles access to Portland Harbour.
 - 2 Whether vehicles over 4.3m high will be prevented from being driven on the Hume Highway.
 - 3 Whether specification of such highways will prevent vehicles over 4.3m high travelling between eastern and western Victoria.
 - 4 Whether the network of specified highways will effectively prevent the majority of vehicles over 4.3m high from accessing their owner's depots, major manufacturing plants, importer-exporter premises, storage warehouses, retail outlets and many other sites vital to their operation and the economy of the State.

- 71 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether advice regarding separate registrations has been given to the owners of semi-trailers (whether or not they own a prime-mover) but who have not as yet been sent a renewal notice for that vehicle.
 - 2 Will traffic infringement notices or summonses be issued to the owner of a prime-mover or a semi-trailer where offences are committed by use of an articulated vehicle and owner-onus applies.
 - 3 Whether the introduction of separate registrations of prime-movers and semi-trailers is—(a) revenue-neutral to the Road Traffic Authority; and (b) cost neutral to the transport industry.
 - 4 Whether the registration staff of the Authority have been briefed regarding advice and instructions to applicants for registration of prime-movers and semi-trailers.
 - 5 Whether inspection for registration purposes (including semi-trailers) is available at all Authority Offices; if not, at which offices is service available.
- 72 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 What was the total revenue collected by the Road Traffic Authority for the initial registration of the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
 - 2 What was the total revenue collected by the Authority in registration fees for the renewal of articulated vehicle registrations.
- 73 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to articulated vehicles, comprising a prime-mover and semi-trailer, registered in Victoria during the period 1 July 1987 to 29 February 1988 inclusive:
- 1 How many vehicles were registered, indicating—(a) the registration number; and (b) the name and address of each registered owner.
 - 2 What proportion of the registration fee resulted from a charge assessed in relation to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
- 74 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 July 1987:
- 1 What proportion of the revenue collected by way of registration renewal fees for articulated vehicles is attributable to the mass of the semi-trailer component.
 - 2 What arrangements have been, or are being made to refund fees incorrectly charged for registration or renewal of registration of the semi-trailer component.
- 75 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, since 1 March 1988:
- 1 How many renewal notices have been sent to the owners of registered semi-trailers.
 - 2 How many applications for renewal of registration of semi-trailers have been received by the Road Traffic Authority.
- 76 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether semi-trailers were exempted from the requirement to be registered under section 7 (1) of the *Road Safety Act* 1986 between 1 July 1987 and 29 February 1988 inclusive; if so, when did the Road Traffic Authority cease collecting registration renewal fees in relation to the semi-trailer component of articulated vehicles.
- 77 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, whether owners of registered semi-trailers have been notified of the requirements for renewal of registration of semi-trailers under the Road Safety (Vehicles) Regulations 1988, if not, will the Government grant an immediate amnesty to owners of semi-trailers whose registrations have lapsed since 1 March 1988, by virtue of lack of notification

and/or refusal to accept renewal fees in respect of the use of those semi-trailers on a highway.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 28 OCTOBER 1988

- 87 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.
- 88 **MR HARROWFIELD**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, whether he has received complaints in relation to the sale of inappropriately planned rural blocks; if so, has he had reports prepared on the matter and, in the event that he has, will he make them available to the House.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 2 NOVEMBER 1988

- 91 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the labour market component of the Ross methodology "Q" index based on the 1981 census:
- 1 Whether the Department of Labour has up-to-date information on Victorian labour market statistics by region; if so, whether such material can be provided in summary form to the Ministry of Education on request.
 - 2 Whether the Department prepares regular reports on the Victorian labour force based on current Australian Bureau of Statistics statistics.
 - 3 Whether the Department can provide current figures on unemployment and a breakdown on occupation in each of the Ministry of Education regions, indicating whether such material has previously been requested; if so—(a) when; and (b) by whom.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 NOVEMBER 1988

- 94 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:
- 1 What the projected cost is of moving the Accident Compensation Tribunal from Marland House, 570 Bourke Street, to 55 King Street.
 - 2 What the cost is of providing accommodation within Marland House from December 1987 to date, for nine additional judges, eight additional tribunals and six additional arbitrators, together with support staff.
 - 3 What the present rental cost is for the Tribunal's accommodation at Marland House.
 - 4 What the proposed rental is for five floors of accommodation at 55 King Street.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 DECEMBER 1988

- 108 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour
- 1 Whether he will provide details of the salary payments made to Mr Mark Davies for the period, 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1988, indicating—(a) gross salary; and (b) overtime.
 - 2 Whether Mr Mark Davies has been used by his Director-General, Mr Phillip Bentley, as a personal chauffeur and been required to carry out manual functions at Mr Bentley's home; if so, was payment for these duties made by the Department and, in the event that no payment was made, how Mr Davies was compensated.
 - 3 Whether he will advise on how many occasions Mr Bentley used Mr Mark Davies as a chauffeur or for non-departmental duties in the 12 months from

July 1987 to June 1988, indicating—(a) the basis of his reward; and (b) who authorised payment.

- 109 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, further to the answer given to Question No. 54 asked in this House on 25 October 1988, whether he will advise if Mr Mark Davies acted as chauffeur for the Director-General, Mr Bentley, when he dined at the Florentino Restaurant and again on the following day (Saturday); if so—(a) who authorised Mr Davies recompense for this work; and (b) was Mr Davies paid overtime in respect of these days and, in the event that no overtime was paid, how Mr Davies was recompensed.
- 114 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services in respect of the electoral district of Reservoir:
- 1 What programs funded and administered by the Department have been delivered in this district since 1981, indicating—(i) in what financial year the programs were first funded; and (ii) the capital and recurrent funds which have been made available in each program, respectively, in each financial year since 1981.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds have been allocated to this district, for each financial year since 1981.
- 121 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he is aware that his permanent head is using other staff members expense claims to pay his own excessive hospitality costs; if not, will he undertake an immediate inquiry into this matter.
- 122 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski:
- 1 Whether he will give full details of their official duty statements of Mr Mark Flynn, Mr Mark Davies and Mr Jim Aceski.
 - 2 Whether he will provide details of their overtime worked from July 1987 to the present date, including—(a) copies of approvals to work overtime; (b) details of the actual work performed; (c) the reason for the work; (d) who their supervising officers were; and (e) the actual times worked.
 - 3 Whether he will also provide details of the cost, on a day-by-day basis, of all their overtime, including tea money, from 1 July 1987 to the present date.
- 123 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise which officers in his Department have authority to approve personal expenses or entertainment claims for the purpose of reimbursing the officers incurring the expense.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 9 DECEMBER 1988

- 125 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of rail accidents, derailments and collisions which occurred on the MET and V/Line over the past 12 months:
- 1 Whether he will advise the number occurring in each category, indicating—(a) the cause(s) in each case; (b) the name of disciplinary action taken against any staff member held responsible.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of any remedial action taken to eliminate or reduce the causes of these incidents.
 - 3 Whether inquiries into these incidents have demonstrated any other matters requiring attention; if so, what matters.
- 126 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will provide full details of the break-up of Mr Bentley's entertainment at the Florentino Restaurant with Mr Mike Rann M.P., a Member of the South Australian

Parliament, on Friday, 18 March 1988 and, in particular, identify how much was spent on drinks and food, respectively.

- 129 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he will consider changes to the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* to ensure adequate protection for growers from large processing companies using standover tactics and intimidating growers to accept less than the arbitrated growing fee.
- 130 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs in view of the problems which have arisen in the broiler chicken industry, whether he intends to impose the penalties provided in the *Broiler Chicken Industry Act 1978* against Independent Poultry; if not, what action will be taken to ensure that the correct arbitrated growing fee will be paid to growers.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 DECEMBER 1988

- 144 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 147 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 152 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 155 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect to each department, agency or authority within his administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.
- 158 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, for the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect to each department, agency or authority within her administration since the commencement of the WorkCare program, how many ex-Government workers, who were entitled to superannuation, are currently on WorkCare, indicating—(a) how many have been completely paid out of superannuation; and (b) have any agreements been drawn up in relation to these matters; if so—(i) what formulae have been used; (ii) what are the terms of these agreements; and (iii) on whose authority were they negotiated.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 MARCH 1989

- 164 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 Whether any action has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at the Hunts Road level crossing, Moriac, indicating the action taken (if any).
 - 2 How many other crossings on the Warrnambool train line, where fatalities have occurred, have no warning signal apparatus, indicating, in each case—*(a)* whether it is proposed to install warning equipment; and *(b)* when the equipment will be operative.
- 165 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment whether any environmental impact studies have been made by the Government concerning the proposed \$400 million expansion of the Shell Oil Refinery in Geelong; if so—*(a)* what studies were made; and *(b)* what were the findings in each case.
- 169 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to establish a pool of qualified translators and interpreters to be on call as a community service, indicating—*(a)* the number of appointments made; and *(b)* the languages spoken by the appointees.
 - 2 How many interpreters and translators have been appointed to each Government department, semi-Government body, hospital, court or State instrumentality, respectively, indicating, in the case of each appointee—*(a)* the date of appointment; *(b)* the location; *(c)* whether permanent, temporary, full-time or part-time (if part-time the number of hours worked per week); and *(d)* the languages spoken.
 - 3 How many Ethnic Information Offices have been established throughout the State, indicating, in the case of each office—*(a)* the location; and *(b)* the number of staff and the functions performed.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to ensure that qualified translators are available at all interviews by investigation officers of State departments.
- 170 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 What action (if any) the Government has taken to prepare and distribute comprehensive and bi-lingual health and safety information to workers.
 - 2 What action (if any) the Government has taken to provide for educational leave for employees to enable them to attend migrant English classes.
 - 3 What action (if any) the Government has taken to examine whether discrimination occurs against migrants whose overseas professional or trade qualifications may not be accepted in Victoria.
 - 4 What action (if any) the Government has taken to assist private and public enterprise to communicate more effectively with their multi-lingual work forces.
- 183 **MR RICHARDSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what action the Government has taken to—*(a)* provide improved services at metropolitan and country libraries for people who do not speak English; *(b)* allocate special grants to enable the purchase of non-English language books, periodicals and recordings by such libraries; and *(c)* encourage the libraries to recruit staff of non-English speaking backgrounds.

184 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services:

- 1 How many employees of the Office of Corrections are currently on WorkCare leave, indicating how many have been on leave—(a) in excess of 12 months; (b) between 6 to 12 months; and (c) between 1 to 3 months.
- 2 What the reasons are for employees being on WorkCare leave, indicating the numbers in each category of leave.
- 3 What the cost is of employing replacement staff for those on WorkCare leave.
- 4 What amount of money has been spent on the rehabilitation of staff in each year of WorkCare.

189 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether he will provide statistics recorded from 1 January 1988 to date on all road accidents reported in Victoria, including the number of deaths resulting from those accidents, indicating—(a) the number and percentage of accidents where those involved had an alcohol limit exceeding .05; and (b) the total cost of those accidents to the taxpayers.

192 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer:

- 1 How many WorkCare review cases were adjourned as at 1 March 1989 and what is the current amount being paid out to WorkCare recipients during these adjournments.
- 2 What steps the Government is taking to recoup payouts where the decision of the court does not support the recipient's claim.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 15 MARCH 1989

200 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:

- 1 What Road Traffic Authority inspections have been carried out regarding school buses in the Geelong region in the past five years to ensure buses are not overloaded.
- 2 Whether he will advise what the present policy of the Government is on overloading of school buses and what action has been taken to alert the Ministry of Education as to legal requirements of overloading of buses where children's safety is concerned on school bus routes.

202 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:

- 1 What submissions the Environment Protection Authority has received and acted on in relation to the Geelong sewerage outfall regarding improper treatment of trade waste and discharge of surfactants in the last three years.
- 2 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has met the standards laid down by the Environment Protection Authority in the commissioning of the Black Rock treatment plant.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 21 MARCH 1989

210 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of the Geelong-Ballarat and Gheringhap-Inverleigh railway lines:

- 1 What action (if any) has been taken by V/Line to install warning lights and bells at all level crossings.
- 2 Which level crossings have been the scene of collisions involving trains, indicating—(a) which crossings had no warning systems; (b) what action (if any) has been taken to install warning equipment; and (c) when the equipment became operative, and in the event that warning equipment has not been installed, when it is proposed such equipment will be installed.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 22 MARCH 1989

- 211 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 How many times the Geelong and District Water Board's Black Rock sewerage outfall discharge has been tested in accordance with the Environment Protection Authority licence in each of the years 1985 to 1989, inclusive.
 - 2 Which years the discharge did not conform to the licence standard, indicating, in each case—(a) by what concentration it varied; and (b) what action was taken.
- 213 **MR GAVIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs how many Australian citizenship certificates were conferred in Victoria during 1988, indicating the number for each metropolitan municipality.
- 214 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, whether he will advise—(a) of any programme which has been funded since 1982 and which was not funded before 1982, giving the details of any such funding; (b) of any programme which was funded in the 5 years prior to 1982 and which subsequently has had the funding either curtailed or eliminated; and (c) what new programmes have been funded in the northern suburbs of Melbourne since 1982.
- 218 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport:
- 1 What was the total intake of new apprenticeships by the Railways Department and the Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board, respectively, during each of the past 5 years.
 - 2 How many applications were received for apprenticeships in each department in each of those years.
 - 3 What the proposed intake of apprentices is for 1989 in respect of each department, indicating the number of applications (if any) already received.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 APRIL 1989

- 225 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, what was the purchase price of the painting "The Ritual 1986" purchased by the State Library in 1988, and who was the officer responsible for its purchase.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 18 APRIL 1989

- 230 **MR STEGGALL**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of the electoral district of Swan Hill:
- 1 What programmes have been funded and administered by the Department since 1985, indicating the capital and recurrent funds expended on each programme, and the year it was expended.
 - 2 What proportion of total State funds for the Arts has been allocated to the district for each financial year since 1984–85.
- 231 **MR BROWN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the past four years, what was the value of goods claimed as lost or stolen from V/Line, indicating—(a) how many claims were made; and (b) the total sum of money paid in settlement of such claims.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 2 MAY 1989

- 233 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Road Construction Authority, Road Traffic Authority, State Transport Authority,

Metropolitan Transit Authority, Port of Portland Authority, Port of Geelong Authority and Port of Melbourne Authority:

- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 234 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Major Projects Unit:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 236 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for municipalities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 243 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 250 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in view of delays in the Valuer-General's Office in providing valuations for the Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works, the Rural Water Commission, the Dandenong Valley Authority and Water and Sewerage authorities:
- 1 What have been the consequences and cost implications to date, because of those delays.
 - 2 Which properties and projects have been affected.
- 253 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, how many accidents resulted in workers compensation claims for the period from August 1986 to April 1989, indicating the number of claims each month.
- 254 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour in respect of the publication "Direction of Occupational Health and Safety Consultants in Victoria 1989":
- 1 Whether advertisements were placed seeking responses from health and safety consultants wishing to be listed in the publication; if so—(a) where the advertisements were placed; (b) over what period of time the advertisements were placed; (c) whether any of the advertisements were placed in trade union owned/sponsored newspapers or periodicals, indicating—(i) the newspaper or periodicals, and (ii) the proportion of the advertising campaign; and (d) what the total cost of the advertising programme was.
 - 2 Whether the Department of Labour obtained legal advice on the effectiveness of the disclaimer contained in the Directory in the event of any legal action arising from publication of the Directory; if so, what advice was received.
 - 3 How many copies of the directory have been printed, indicating—(a) the total cost of printing and distribution (including paper); (b) who printed the

- Directory; and (c) who compiled and proof read the document, and at what cost.
- 4 Whether any departmental staff were involved in the preparation of the directory; if so—(i) in what areas; and (ii) what the cost was of this resource allocation.
 - 5 Whether any action was taken to verify the credential of private consultants listed in the Directory; of so, what action.
 - 6 Whether the Department fully-funded the publication; if so, at what cost; if not, who provided the funds.
 - 7 Whether any legal action has been initiated as a result of the National Safety Council listing and its failure to deliver any services contracted for; if so, is the Government defending the disclaimer published in the Directory.
 - 8 Whether the Department is aware of any consultants using their Directory listing for advertising purposes; if so, is any action being taken against the offending consultants.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 23 MAY 1989

- 256 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in his capacity as Minister responsible for Prices, whether he is aware of the high cost of some pharmaceutical products, such as ventolin inhalers for asthma sufferers; if so, what action (if any) has he taken to review prices in this area.
- 263 **MR MATHEWS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether he will ascertain and inform the House which International Labour Organisation conventions have Federal and State Labour Ministers identified as having priority status for recognition, indicating in which cases the laws and practices of Victoria are in conformity with this convention.
- 269 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 272 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 275 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 279 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 283 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Arts what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within his administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.
- 285 **MR BILDSTIEN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government what the staffing statistics are for each department, agency and authority within her administration in the electoral district of Mildura for each of the years 1980–89.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 24 MAY 1989

- 286 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, what funds were provided for the construction of Thompsons Road Bulleen, between Bulleen and Manningham roads, by the previous Country Roads Board, in each financial year between 1977-78 and 1986-87, inclusive.
- 287 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the reconstruction of Bulleen Road, Bulleen:
- 1 Whether traffic lights will be installed at the intersection of Golden Way and Bulleen Road, Bulleen, to allow safe entry to Bulleen Road for residents living within the area bounded by Manningham, Thompsons and Bulleen roads; if not, why.
 - 2 Whether a right turn lane will be included as part of the present roadworks in Bulleen Road, Bulleen to allow residents to turn right into Ilma Court, Bulleen; if not, why.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 25 MAY 1989

- 291 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, what programs are administered by the Ministry of Housing to provide shelter and security for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 8 AUGUST 1989

- 304 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport whether payouts were made to employees who were stood down when work on the new Barwon bridge ceased for seven months; if so—(a) what was the basis for the payouts; and (b) what is the estimated additional cost of completing the bridge and meeting the revised completion date.
- 305 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the proposed ring-road around Geelong from Lara to Waurin Ponds:
- 1 What land has been acquired by the Government for the ring-road as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What action is being taken to purchase the balance of property required for the ring-road.
 - 3 What is the estimated date for commencement of work to build the ring-road.
 - 4 What steps are being taken to plant trees in the easement along the side of the proposed ring-road.
- 306 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, with respect to the Geelong region, incorporating the municipalities of Corio, Geelong, Newtown, South Barwon, Geelong West, Bellarine, Queenscliffe and Barrabool:
- 1 Whether the Minister will advise what rental arrears are owed to the Ministry of Housing as at 30 June 1989.
 - 2 What steps are being taken to recover such outstanding debts.
 - 3 How many people are currently on the waiting list for Ministry accommodation as at 30 June 1989.
 - 4 What is the estimated waiting period for allocation of a Ministry house or unit.
 - 5 Whether the Minister has any plans to build or purchase additional houses in the above municipalities during the next five years; if so, how many new properties will be available to ease the waiting list.

- 6 What the average cost is of each dwelling either built or purchased by the Ministry as at 30 June 1989.
 - 7 Whether the Ministry regularly monitors tenants to ensure that they continue to be eligible for accommodation.
 - 8 What action, if any, is taken by the Ministry against tenants whose financial circumstances have improved to the point where they no longer qualify for Ministry accommodation and they have failed to notify the Ministry of that fact.
- 307 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, further to the former Minister's reply of 5 March 1987 to question No. 381 and following the investigation by the Fraud Squad into abuse of the Ministry's bond and relocation scheme:
- 1 How many people were charged as a result of that investigation.
 - 2 What funds were recovered by the Ministry.
 - 3 What monies were not recovered.
 - 4 Whether any further cases of abuse of the scheme have been detected since the investigation; if so, what steps have been taken by the Ministry to avoid any future abuses of the scheme.
- 308 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each of the years 1987, 1988 and 1989 (to date):
- 1 What was the number of road accidents in the entire region covered by the electoral province of Geelong.
 - 2 What were the locations where those accidents occurred.
 - 3 How many accidents resulted in fatalities.
 - 4 What percentage of road accidents involved alcohol as the cause or a contributing factor.
- 309 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, during the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, how many documents were translated into other languages for the Victorian Trades Hall Council or other trade unions by the Ethnic Affairs Commission, indicating—(a) the cost of such translation work; and (b) how much was recovered for the translation work.
- 310 **MR PERRIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in relation to each of the financial years 1984–85 to 1988–89, respectively, what grants were made by the Ethnic Affairs Commission to organisations where a member of the Commission held an executive position in that organisation, indicating—(a) the organisation receiving the grant; (b) the grant received; and (c) the name of the Ethnic Affairs Commissioner involved.
- 311 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour whether he will advise—(a) what the full cost is of the inspire system referred to in the *Department of Labour News*, Number 10, June 1989; and (b) what the total cost was of the pilot "establishment inspection record" system which preceded it.
- 313 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, from April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Department of Labour, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.
- 314 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, from April 1982 to date, what funds have been spent on employment programmes sponsored by the Government and the Ministry of Education, indicating—(a) the name and aims of each individual scheme; (b) what funds have been spent in each

municipality on such schemes; and (c) the number of long term or permanent jobs which have resulted therefrom.

315 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:

- 1 What action, if any, the Government is taking to resolve problems associated with sewage, industrial waste and salt being flushed into the Barwon river system.
- 2 Whether he will arrange for an environmental impact study to be undertaken into the current usage of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems and the damage being done to water catchment areas in the Barwon and Moorabool region through current land use practice with increased urban development; if not, why.
- 3 Whether the Department of Water Resources is taking any steps to ensure the purity of the Barwon and Moorabool river systems; if so, what action is being taken.
- 4 What action, if any, the Department of Water Resources is taking to rectify the damage from increased salinity and siltation of the Connewarre Lake and floodplain region.
- 5 Whether he will, in conjunction with the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, implement a tree planting scheme along the Barwon and Moorabool river systems as a measure to counter salinity and other environmental damage occurring to the atmosphere in the region.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 15 AUGUST 1989

318 **MR PLOWMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in relation to the Kalatha council road, Murrindindi:

- 1 What is the projected upgrade planned for the road over the next two years, indicating—(a) the distance; (b) the road width; (c) the estimated materials to be used; and (d) the estimated costs.
- 2 What volume of timber will be removed from adjacent to the road to enable the upgrade, indicating—(a) the volume of—(i) saw logs; (ii) pulpwood; and (iii) unused waste; and (b) the anticipated royalties.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 AUGUST 1989

319 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

320 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

321 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:

- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 322 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 323 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
 - 3 Whether he will advise what the total public sector WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 4 Whether he will advise what the total private sector payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 5 Whether he will advise what the total local government WorkCare payment was in each of the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
- 324 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 325 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 326 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 327 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 328 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.

- 329 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 330 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether she will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 331 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 332 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 333 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Property and Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 334 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 335 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.
 - 2 Whether he will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987–88 and 1988–89, respectively.
- 336 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985–86 to 1988–89.

- 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 337 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 338 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for Post-Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 339 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 340 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.
- 341 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration:
- 1 What the cost was of WorkCare payments made to personnel employed in the financial years 1985-86 to 1988-89.
 - 2 Whether the Minister will advise the amount paid by each organisation in WorkCare levies for the years 1987-88 and 1988-89, respectively.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 5 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 343 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment:
- 1 Whether he will advise what steps have been taken to carry out an environmental effects study into toxic waste being dumped at Tullamarine.
 - 2 Whether he will advise what action has been, or is planned to be, taken to reduce the risk to the community as a result of the dumping at this site.
- 345 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, in addition to the information made

available via a memorandum dated 17 August 1989 in relation to Olympic Games facilities:

- 1 Whether the Minister will provide a list of Government building projects undertaken since 1982, giving details of—(a) the names of architects engaged for each project; (b) the names of building contractors engaged for each project; and (c) the cost of each project, specifying fees paid to the architects and builders in each case.
- 2 Whether the Minister will advise which Government building projects, since 1982 have been granted to the architectural firms—(a) Daryl Jackson Pty. Ltd.; and (b) Bates, Smart and McCutcheon Pty. Ltd.

- 346 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Major Projects, whether the Minister will provide details of the names of all architects and building contractors who have put forward, or are putting forward, proposals to the Government to undertake work for the Jolimont railway extensions and the Victoria Dock development.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 12 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 347 **MR LIEBERMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of the Geelong and District Water Board project to build stage 1A of the Geelong Water Treatment Plant:
- 1 Whether he will advise—(a) the date that the Board applied for approval to commence work; (b) the date that approval was granted; and (c) the reason for the delay between application and approval being given.
 - 2 Whether he will ascertain and inform the House of what additional costs (if any) will be incurred as a result of the delay in approval being given, indicating who will be required to pay these additional costs.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 13 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 350 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 352 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 353 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 354 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the

- names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 355 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Conservation, Forests and Lands, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 356 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Consumer Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 357 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, for the Honourable the Minister for Industry, Technology and Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 358 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister responsible for Post-Secondary Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 359 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education for the Honourable the Minister for the Arts, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 360 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 361 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981-82 to 1989-90 for purposes

assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 362 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 363 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment for the Honourable the Minister for Health, in respect of each department, agency and authority within her administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 364 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 365 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Premier, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 367 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Sport and Recreation, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 368 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 369 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Tourism, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.

- 370 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 371 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 372 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Planning and Environment, in respect of each department, agency and authority within his administration, what are the names and addresses of persons, organisations and groups who received or are to receive funding in each of the financial years 1981–82 to 1989–90 for purposes assisting women, indicating, in respect of each year—(a) the amount of funding received or to be received by each person, organisation or group; and (b) the purpose for which the funding was approved.
- 373 **MR WALLACE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Education how many schools with relocatable or portable classroom buildings have more than their entitlement, indicating—(a) the region; (b) the school and its entitlement; and (c) the number in excess of entitlement.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 21 SEPTEMBER 1989

- 374 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Local Government, whether he will advise of the results of feasibility studies on the cost benefits to Victorian municipalities and ratepayers of amalgamation of local government facilities and services, indicating in which specific areas 'economies of scale' would occur in both financial and resource terms.
- 375 **MR PESCOTT**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to the official opening of the duplication of the Bunyip section of the Princes Highway on 2 June 1989 near Wimpole's road:
- 1 What was the total cost of the opening.
 - 2 What was the breakup of the costs associated with the opening, indicating the cost of—(a) the construction of the roadway from Wimpole's road to the site of the official opening; (b) the supply of sand and/or screenings to the roadway; (c) the application of such sand and/or screenings; (d) the hire of toilets; (e) the hire of the marquee or tent; (f) the cost of the luncheon and the total cost thereof; (g) discovery, transport and placement of the large rock near the marquee or tent site; (h) construction of the steps and/or path from the marquee or tent to the roadway including the placement of the red gum rises; and (i) purchase, delivery and spreading of the wood chips or other material on the steps and/or path to the roadways.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 12 OCTOBER 1989

- 376 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour, whether the Government will introduce a Code of Practice for forklift drivers to reduce the current death rate of one worker per month.

377 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of WorkCare Rehabilitation Services:

- 1 How many applications were received by the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council for the registration of new public or private providers for the period 1 July and 30 September 1989, indicating—(a) the number of providers now accredited; (b) whether this is an increase or decrease on the previous three months; and (c) the name and location of each public and private provider.
- 2 How many central referrals were made between 1 July and 30 September 1989, indicating—(a) how these central referrals were distributed across providers, giving a detailed breakdown by provider, both public and private; (b) how many central referrals were accepted into rehabilitation after assessment; and (c) how many direct referrals were made for rehabilitation—by worker, doctor, employer, union or solicitor.
- 3 What is the proportion of direct referrals to public and private providers.
- 4 How many rehabilitation plans have been approved in respect of central referrals made between 1 July and 30 September 1989, indicating—(a) the turn-around time between submitting a plan and its approval; (b) how this compares with the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council's goal for plan turn-around time; (c) the average cost per plan and the variance over the previous three months; and (d) how many cases were closed and the variance compared to the previous three months.

378 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of central referrals made by the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council between 1 July and 30 September 1989:

- 1 Whether he will advise the rehabilitation outcome of case closures.
- 2 How many Rehabilitation Employment Program applications have been approved.
- 3 How many clients have been referred for retraining, indicating the average cost of a retraining programme.
- 4 How many clients were deemed unsuitable for rehabilitation due to—(a) an employer declining to provide employment; (b) failure to accept a suitable job; or (c) failure to participate in a rehabilitation programme.

379 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of central referrals made by the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council between 1 July and 30 September 1989:

- 1 How many audits have been undertaken since the Council's inception.
- 2 What is the proportion of audits undertaken on public and private providers, indicating the outcome of these audits.
- 3 What is the number of professionals that worked with approved public and private providers between 1 April and 30 September 1989, and what is the variance from the previous six monthly period.

380 **MR GUDE**—To ask the Honourable the Treasurer, in respect of the Victorian Accident Rehabilitation Council:

- 1 What is the rejection rate for invoices submitted to the Council by public and private providers, respectively.
- 2 What was the level of invoices unpaid for 30, 60 and 90 days, respectively, as at 30 September 1989 by public and private providers, indicating the variance over the previous three months.
- 3 What was the average cheque processing time, between 1 July and 30 September 1989 after the Accident Compensation Council had been notified to pay, indicating the variance over the previous three months.

- 4 Whether he will advise of the Accident Compensation Council's goal in cheque processing time.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 24 OCTOBER 1989

- 381 **MRS WADE**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in respect of tramway works approved to be carried out at and on land adjacent to the Kew tram depot; whether he will advise when the works were approved, indicating—(a) the current position with respect to the approved works; (b) the timeframe for the completion of such works; and (c) the total projected cost of the works and how much has been spent to date.
- 382 **MR SMITH** (*Glen Waverley*)—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Community Services:
- 1 Whether an 8 year old boy was sexually assaulted at the Western Suburbs Community Services Reception Centre by an employee of Community Services Victoria on 22 March 1989; if so—(a) whether the matter was reported to police, indicating the date on which the report was made; (b) on what date Community Services Victoria became aware of the incident; (c) whether he allowed the employee suspected of the offence to be deported before being charged with an offence; (d) whether anyone has been charged with the offence; and (e) whether he has announced that the victim and his brother are to be tested for AIDS, indicating the reasons justifying these tests being performed.
 - 2 Whether he will advise of the recruiting procedures used by Community Services Victoria at the time that the suspect employee was employed.
 - 3 Whether current recruiting procedures prevent the recruitment of applicants who—(a) are in Australia on tourist visas; (b) have AIDS; (c) are unqualified; or (d) are wanted by overseas police forces.

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 31 OCTOBER 1989

- 383 **MR SIMMONDS**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Labour:
- 1 Whether he has received complaints concerning Marsden and McGain Pty. Ltd. of Reservoir; if so—(a) how many complaints; (b) what is the basis of each complaint; and (c) what action has been taken, indicating whether discussions have been held with company representatives and the results of any such discussions.
 - 2 Whether some of the company employees have collapsed because of exposure to chemicals in poorly ventilated premises; if so—(a) whether WorkCare benefits have been paid in each case, and if not, why; and (b) whether all medical and associated claims/costs have been paid by either the company or WorkCare, and if not, why.
 - 3 Whether he will advise, in respect of the company—(a) the number of employees as at 31 October 1989; (b) the period of time that it has been operating in Victoria; and (c) how the safety record compares with other companies of similar size and operation in Victoria.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 14 NOVEMBER 1989

- 384 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the Australian Wool Corporation's tough stance on arsenic contamination in wool, resulting in a 20 per cent price penalty:
- 1 What steps is he taking to implement the chemical collection program.
 - 2 Whether the \$1.5 million, which was the estimated cost to run the program, has been reduced to \$400 000.
 - 3 Whether Departmental officers given the responsibility of administering the program are still awaiting guidelines.

- 385 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, whether he is aware that Californian oranges carrying the disease *Septorea Spot* are permitted into Victoria, whilst Victorian oranges with the same disease are not permitted to be imported into the U.S.A.; if so, what steps has he taken to promote a reciprocal trade between Victoria and the U.S.A.
- 386 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, whether he is aware of the serious potential threat to the Australian apple and pear industry in Northern Victoria from the devastating disease *Fireblight* if New Zealand is permitted to export apples to Australia; if so, what action has he taken to prevent this disease entering Victoria.
- 387 **MR AUSTIN**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Agriculture and Rural Affairs, in view of the N.S.W. decision to deregulate the egg industry, what action will he take to ensure that Victorian producers are not misled into making incorrect decisions in the belief that egg quotas will be retained in Victoria until 1994.
- 388 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Water Resources:
- 1 Whether he and his department are aware that the level of *enterococci* in sewage-polluted waters relates better to the incidence of gastroenteric symptoms in swimmers in such waters than the level of *E. coli*.
 - 2 Whether he and his department are aware that the standard methods for estimating *enterococci* in water are described in both the American and Australian standard methods for testing water.
 - 3 Whether the Geelong and District Water Board has investigated the levels of *enterococci* in the waters of the environs of the Black Rock outfall and the beaches along the south-west coast, particularly Thirteenth Beach.
 - 4 Whether he and the various water authorities under his responsibility are aware that American work has shown that density of only 10/100 ml of *E. coli* and of *enterococci* in sewage-polluted marine waters is associated with an appreciable attack rate of gastro-intestinal symptoms among swimmers; if so, what action is he taking to alleviate this problem.
- 389 **MR DICKINSON**—To ask the Honourable the Minister for Transport, in relation to overseas studies and experience, with plastic seaweed controlling beach erosion, whether he will advise what action (if any) has been taken to apply such measures, where applicable, to the South Barwon coastal region.

NOTICES RECEIVED ON 16 NOVEMBER 1989

- 390 **MR PLOWMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in relation to the Government's decision to transfer Ministry of Housing rent repayments from the National Bank in Wodonga to Australia Post:
- 1 What were the reasons for this change.
 - 2 What charge will Australia Post be making for this service.
 - 3 What previous charge was made by the National Bank for these services.
 - 4 Will tenants be able to pay rent at any time during business hours.
 - 5 What services will Australia Post provide to tenants that could not be provided by the National Bank.

NEW QUESTION

NOTICE RECEIVED ON 17 NOVEMBER 1989

391 **MR PLOWMAN**—To ask the Honourable the Attorney-General, for the Honourable the Minister for Housing and Construction, in relation to the Ministry of Housing and Construction homes in the South Benalla Estate:

1. How many properties in this Estate, does the Ministry currently own, indicating, how many properties contain an elderly people's unit, flat, 1, 2 or 3 bedroom home, respectively or any other category of dwelling.
2. How many dwellings in this Estate has the Ministry sold in the past 5 years, indicating the category of dwelling involved.
3. Whether the Minister will indicate the number of people who have moved into this Estate during the past five years, indicating—(a) their suburb of origin; and (b) how many were —(i) single parents; (ii) elderly singles; (iii) married couples with children; (iv) married couples without children; (v) elderly married couples; and (vi) any other category.
4. Whether the Minister will indicate the number of people who were moved into this Estate during the past five years as part of the Government's De-Institutionalisation Programme, indicating how many were—(i) single parents; (ii) elderly singles; (iii) married couples with children; (iv) married couples without children; (v) elderly married couples; and (vi) any other category.

