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1487 **MR EMERSON**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. Has Telopea Park School received an exemption to teach less than the minimum daily standard of 90 minutes of English in English so they can maintain their 50/50 bilingual program; if so, when.
2. Has Mawson Primary School received an exemption to teach less than the minimum daily standard of 90 minutes of English in English so they can maintain their 50/50 bilingual program; if so, when.
3. Has Yarralumla Primary School received an exemption to teach less than the minimum daily standard of 90 minutes of English in English so they can maintain their 50/50 bilingual program; if so, when; if not, why not.

1488 **MR EMERSON**: To ask the Minister for Education — How many ACT public schools are not reaching the minimum daily standard of (a) 90 minutes of English, (b) 60 minutes of mathematics and (c) both 90 minutes of English and 60 minutes of mathematics.

1489 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Minister for Finance —

1. Is the information regarding the Procurement ACT requirement to maintain real-time information on formal complaints reviewed by the Government Procurement Board publicly reported; if not, why not.
2. How many complaints have been received for each year since the Supplier Complaints Management Procedure was established, including (a) what categories of complaints were received, (b) what was the average resolution time, (c) what proportion of complaints were upheld or partially upheld, (d) how many complaints resulted in remedial action and (e) have any systemic problems been identified.
3. How many specific or systemic procurement risks have been identified by the Government Procurement Board, including (a) how many recommendations have been made, (b) how many of those recommendations have been accepted and (c) how many of those recommendations have been implemented.
4. How many procurements have had to be re-run in this period and what proportion of these occurred subsequent to a complaint.
5. Are there any clusters of complaints, such as complaints concentrated around a particular directorate or agency.

1490 **MR BRADDOCK**: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services — How many shifts this year have (a) had below-minimum intensive care paramedic staffing, (b) required intensive care paramedic overtime and (c) had no rostered intensive care paramedic, excluding the duty officer and duty commander positions.

1491 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. How many (a) reports has the Government received since 1 January 2025 in relation to suspected illicit tobacco sales from commercial premises within unit plans and (b) individual premises did they concern.
2. How many of the premises referred to in part (1) were (a) inspected, (b) found non-compliant, (c) subject to seizure or enforcement action and (d) inspected more than once.
3. What were the average and median days between a report and inspection as referred to in part (2) and how many reported premises remain uninspected.
4. Is the Government aware of owners corporations experiencing increased building insurance premiums, excesses or other costs attributable to tobacconists, convenience stores or suspected illicit tobacco retailers within their unit plans; if so, how many and what action was taken.
5. Has the Government assessed the resulting financial impact on owners corporations and individual unit owners; if not, why not.
6. What powers are available to the Government, including through Access Canberra and as head lessor, where premises are suspected or found to sell illicit tobacco and how many times has each power been exercised.
7. How many premises found selling illicit tobacco subsequently continued operating as tobacconists or convenience stores from the same premises.
8. What action can an owners corporation take to recover additional insurance premiums, excesses or other costs attributable to such businesses where Government enforcement has not prevented their continued operation.

1492 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water —

1. What is the Government doing to protect our endangered species like the Gang Gang from the impacts of bird flu.
2. Has the Government considered options like a moratorium on removing trees that may have nesting hollows.
3. Has the Government allocated any dedicated funding of its own for H5N1 preparedness, prevention, or response beyond the activities funded by the Commonwealth's $345,000 contribution; if so, (a) how much and (b) where is that funding being directed.
4. What (a) surveillance, (b) public communication and (c) emergency response measures has the Government itself put in place including for (i) backyard poultry keepers, (ii) wildlife carers, (iii) veterinary clinics and (iv) staff at Canberra's wetlands and nature reserves.
5. What contingency plans are in place to protect the ACT's native bird populations and wildlife carers should H5N1 be detected locally.
6. Have the plans referred to in part (5) been tested through any exercises or simulations.

1493 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. Did the Government meet or engage with the International Monetary Fund's (IMF) recent Article IV Mission to Australia; if so, (a) which Ministers and agencies participated and (b) what issues were discussed.
2. Does the Government accept the IMF's (a) calls for improved fiscal consolidation and the need for improved spending prioritisation, efficiency and control, (b) calls that there is a need to rebuild policy buffers and that fiscal tightening is needed to achieve this and (c) identification of productivity as Australia's key structural challenge and the consequent need for reforms to address regulatory creep, fragmented regulation and to minimise regulatory costs and distortions.

1494 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water —

1. How much funding has been allocated to the use or implementation of GonaCon annually for the past five years, including 2025-2026.
2. Does the funding referred to in part (1) come out of the City and Environment Directorate or former Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate base funding.
3. How many doses of GonaCon have been administered annually for the past five years, including 2025-2026.

1495 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. Does the Government still hold the view that major ACT events like Floriade and Enlighten are a national tourism product and so aims for the "best of the best" rather than aiming to showcase the best of the ACT; if so, is funding provided for these events by the Commonwealth; if funding is provided, (a) how much and (b) does this include any consideration for the disadvantage experienced by local businesses because the events are considered a national product; if funding is not provided, what is the justification for considering these events a national tourism product and not platforming local businesses.
2. What proportion of applicants and successful businesses present at major ACT events like Floriade and Enlighten were based in the ACT for each of the past five years, broken down by category such as retail stall or food and beverage operators where possible.
3. Are the fees and conditions for vendors consistent regardless of where the vendor is based; if not, (a) how and (b) why do they vary.

1496 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Minister for Health —

1. How many elective surgeries were conducted at the now-closed Deakin Private Hospital on behalf of Canberra Health Services for each of the last five financial years.
2. What categories of elective surgeries referred to in part (1) were conducted and how many for each category for each of those years.
3. How much additional capacity been secured from other providers to offset the loss of capacity from Deakin Private Hospital.
4. What other policies does the Government have to manage the loss of capacity from Deakin Private Hospital.
5. What residual impact will the closure of Deakin Private Hospital have on elective surgery wait lists.

1497 **MR BRADDOCK**: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services — When was the last internal intensive care paramedic course completed and when will the next one run.

1498 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Minister for Finance —

1. Which programs have been reviewed in the last and current terms of Government and what proportion of Government program spending has been reviewed, given that the Administrative Arrangements 2026 (No 2) explicitly assign responsibility for Government program review and optimisation to the Minister.
2. How many recommendations have been (a) made, (b) accepted and (c) implemented as part of the reviews referred to in part (1).
3. Which programs have ceased or materially changed as a result of reviews referred to in part (1) and what is the total amount of funding that has been impacted by these changes.
4. Are completed reviews and recommendations as referred to in part (1) published; if not, why not.
5. What engagement has the Minister or the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate had with the Federal Assistant Minister for Productivity, Competition, Charities, and Treasury or the Australian Centre for Evaluation with regard to program review, optimisation or evaluation.

1499 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. Why was *Pyrus calleryana 'Redspire'*, a non-native species, selected for Cantamessa Avenue, Gungahlin instead of a species native to Canberra or the ACT region.
2. What assessment and criteria were used to select the species referred to in part (1) and what alternative native species were considered.
3. How many street trees has the ACT Government planted comprising (a) species native to the ACT region, (b) other Australian native species and (c) non-native species for each financial year (i) 2021–2022, (ii) 2022-2023, (iii) 2023-2024, (iv) 2025–2026 and (v) 2026–2027 to date.
4. What were the five most commonly planted non-native species in each year referred to in part (3) and how many of each were planted.
5. How many non-native street trees are currently scheduled for planting in 2026–2027.
6. Does the Government have a target for the proportion of new street trees that should be native to the ACT region or Australia; if not, why not.
7. How does the Government assess (a) biodiversity, (b) habitat and (c) ecological connectivity when deciding to plant a non-native species instead of a native species.

1500 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. Has constructing a new Canberra stadium in Bruce become a priority of the Government, and specifically for the Chief Minister in the capacity of Minister for Major Projects, given the new Administrative Arrangements notified on 10 September 2026 and the changes created by those new arrangements.
2. Has responsibility for other projects than that referred to in part (1) within the Bruce precinct reverted to other Ministers.
3. Is the new responsibility of the Minister for the Public Service for artificial intelligence in Whole of Government technology projects limited to the adoption of artificial intelligence within the public sector itself.
4. Is the responsibility of the Chief Minister for data centres and artificial intelligence intended to cover the construction of supporting infrastructure and the proliferation of the technology more generally.
5. Is it now the responsibility of the Minister for Arts, Creative Industries and the Night-Time Economy to progress the Liquor Amendment Bill 2025 through the Assembly's legislative process, given the responsibility for policy relating to liquor has been moved out of the role of the Attorney-General.

1501 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water —

1. Are there regulations or discharge standards that could be improved to further reduce phosphorous entering the waterways from the sewage treatment works at Queanbeyan.
2. Could the discharge standards or regulations referred to in part (1) be adjusted to help lower the phosphorous levels in Lake Burley Griffin.
3. Has the Government considered doing that referred to in part (2); if not, why not.

1502 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Attorney-General —

1. How many matters were there with the ACT Human Rights Commission, on which the ACT Government Solicitor (ACTGS) advised, that led to (a) a settlement, (b) legal costs awarded against Government and (c) damages or any kind of financial penalty against Government for each of the last three years.
2. What was the total quantum of dollars for the matters referred to in part (1).
3. How many matters were there with the ACT Civil & Administrative Tribunal, on which the ACTGS advised, that led to (a) a settlement, (b) legal costs awarded against Government and (c) damages or any kind of financial penalty against Government for each of the last three years.
4. What was the total quantum of dollars for the matters referred to in part (3).
5. How many matters were there with other courts, on which the ACTGS advised, that led to (a) a settlement, (b) legal costs awarded against Government and (c) damages or any kind of financial penalty against Government for each of the last three years.
6. What was the total quantum of dollars for the matters referred to in part (5).
7. What process did Government run through for the matters referred to in parts (1), (3) and (5), where Government had a finding, settlement, damages, or costs awarded against it, to review what behaviour Government engaged in that left it liable and what actions did Government take to change its procedures to avoid this happening again.

1503 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation —

1. Why did the Government not inform the community that the deadline to reopen the Big Splash pool on 1 November 2026 was only for a temporary reopening of the 50-metre pool.
2. Does the non-compete clause in the Canberra International Sports and Aquatic Centre (CISAC) contract which indicates the Government cannot operate a pool within a set distance of CISAC, refer only to new aquatic facilities and not to aquatic facilities that existed when CISAC was established.

1504 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services —

1. Does the Government report ACT Policing response time data outside the Productivity Commission's Report on Government Services; if so, (a) where is this reported and (b) at what frequency.
2. Can the Minister provide average response time data and the proportion of responses within ACT Policing benchmarks by incident category for (a) 2025-2026 and (b) previous years, broken down geographically by patrol area.
3. What work is currently underway to improve average response times, including (a) how much impact is this work expected to have and (b) when are improvements expected to be realised.

1505 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services —

1. What was the outcome of the investigation undertaken by ACT Corrective Services (ACTCS), ACT Policing and relevant financial institutions into allegations that another person's bank details had been used to make more than 40 deposits to an Alexander Maconochie Centre detainee trust account identified in 2023.
2. Did the investigation referred to in part (1) identify (a) how the banking details were entered into the payment system, (b) why repeated transactions did not trigger an alert, (c) any failure of ACTCS controls, processes or systems and (d) any recommendations for remedial action.
3. Were all recommendations of the investigation referred to in part (1) implemented; if not, (a) which remain outstanding and (b) why.
4. How many instances since 1 January 2023 has ACTCS identified where a deposit into a detainee account was (a) alleged or confirmed to be unauthorised or fraudulent, (b) disputed by the account or card holder, (c) reversed or charged back by a financial institution and (d) referred to ACT Policing.
5. What was the total value of transactions in each category referred to in part (4) by financial year.
6. Does ACTCS consider the vulnerability identified in 2023 fully resolved; if yes, on what basis.

1506 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. When will Block 24 Section 21 Belconnen be taken to the market, given the 2026-2027 Housing and Indicative Land Release Program indicates it will be released in 2026-2027.
2. Has Block 1 Section 21 Belconnen been sold; if not, when will it be sold.

1507 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for Health —

1. Has the ACT Government food safety regulator ever performed any "speciation testing" on meat; if so, on what kind of meat.
2. Has there ever been (a) horse, (b) goat, (c) kangaroo and (d) any other type of meat detected in products that were labelled as being something else, whether for pet food or human consumption.
3. Has there been any notification of any allegations of meat being sold as one meat product actually being another type of meat.

1508 **MS CARRICK**: To ask the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development —

1. Does the Government consider the proposed battery facility at Uriarra Station on Block 74 to be consistent with the current Crown lease purpose for Block 74 and will a lease variation be required.
2. How will the Planning Authority assess whether a battery facility of the scale referred to in part (1) is consistent with the objectives of the NUZ2 - Rural Zone, particularly those relating to (a) rural landscape character, (b) ecological integrity and (c) maintaining a distinction between rural and industrial land uses.
3. What justification is there for locating a major battery facility on rural land, rather than in an industrial or existing utility-services precinct.
4. How will community concerns regarding visual impact, environmental impacts, bushfire risk and proximity to Uriarra Village be addressed through the assessment process.

1509 **MS VASSAROTTI**: To ask the Minister for Gaming Reform —

1. Can the Minister detail the full range of compliance issues uncovered in the audit of 19 licensees conducted by the ACT Gambling and Racing Commission (GRC) which reported for the 2024-2025 community contributions scheme that all licensees were found to be non-complaint with various elements of the scheme's reporting requirements.
2. Did any of the non-compliance issues referred to in part (1) involve claimed contributions that were not permissible under the guidelines; if so, what were these claims.
3. Have there been any other audits conducted by the GRC since the new community contributions scheme commenced in 2019 on licensees' compliance with the scheme; if so, what were the results of these audits.
4. Have any other audits been conducted since the 2024-2025 audit referred to in part (1) or have any further licensees been assessed; if so, what were the results.
5. When will the next audit occur.
6. Has the GRC discovered or been made aware of any other compliance issues, such as contributions claimed that are not permissible under the scheme.

1510 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water —

1. What are the approved (a) application rates and (b) flow rate or calibration requirements for glyphosate and simazine.
2. What are the procedures applying to hand-held lances.
3. How are staff are trained and instructed to apply glyphosate and simazine to ensure that it is used in accordance with the requirements.
4. What auditing or monitoring is undertaken to ensure actual application rates comply with (a) labels, (b) Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and (c) risk assessments.
5. What is the consequence if actual application rates do not comply with labels, SOPs and risk assessments.

6. What personal protective equipment (PPE) are staff required to use to apply glyphosate or simazine.
7. Have staff ever been instructed this year to apply glyphosate or simazine without the PPE referred to in part (6).
8. Have staff ever applied glyphosate or simazine this year without the PPE referred to in part (6).

1511 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water —

1. Does the ACT Government use Metolachlor to control weeds anywhere.
2. Does the ACT have any instances where Metolachlor has been detected in any of our waterways; if so, at what level.

1512 **MR EMERSON**: To ask the Minister for Education — What guidance has the Government circulated to parents on age-appropriate (a) screen and (b) artificial intelligence use.

1513 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. What systems, schemes or accounts exist in which money paid by or attributable to an individual or business may remain as a credit, overpayment, prepayment, stored-value balance or other positive customer balance for future use or refund for each (a) ACT Government directorate, (b) Territory authority and (c) other ACT Government entity.
2. How many customer accounts as at 30 June 2026 held a positive balance for each referred to in part (1), including (a) what was the total value held and (b) what was the largest individual balance.
3. How much of the total value referred to in part (2) had remained unapplied or unrefunded for more than (a) one year, (b) three years, (c) five years and (d) six years.
4. Are credits automatically applied to subsequent amounts payable for each system or scheme referred to in part (1) including (a) are customers proactively notified of unused balances and (b) can customers (i) independently view their balance and (ii) obtain a refund.
5. How are balances classified for accounting purposes for each entity referred to in part (1), including as a (a) liability, (b) trust money, (c) revenue, (d) unclaimed money and (e) otherwise.
6. What proportion of the balances referred to in part (1) is held as trust money under the *Financial Management Act 1996*.
7. Does the Territory earn or receive interest or investment returns attributable to any of the balances referred to in part (1); if so, for 2025-2026 (a) how much, (b) which balances generated it and (c) where was that return credited.

1514 **MR MILLIGAN**: To ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation —

1. Can the Minister identify for each ACT Government-managed lake, river, pond or other water body (a) the water body, (b) the responsible ACT Government entity and (c) the relevant legislation, management plan or instrument governing recreational use.
2. Which of the following activities are (a) permitted without specific approval, (b) permitted subject to approval, licence or permit and (c) prohibited for each water body referred to in part (1), (i) swimming, (ii) fishing. (iii) canoeing or kayaking, (iv) stand-up paddleboarding, (v) rowing or dragon boating, (vi) sailing or windsurfing, (vii) non-motorised boating, (viii) motorised boating below 10 knots, (ix) motorised boating above 10 knots, (x) waterskiing, (xi) wakeboarding and (xii) personal watercraft.
3. What approval is required for each activity requiring approval referred to in part (2), including (a) what eligibility criteria apply, (b) can an individual member of the public apply and (c) what fees apply.
4. What is the basis for the prohibition for each prohibited activity referred to in part (2), including (a) when was it last reviewed and (b) what current safety or environmental evidence supports the prohibition.

1515 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. Can customers independently view the balance of any vehicle registration credit held on their Access Canberra client account (a) online, (b) through the Access Canberra app and (c) on a registration renewal notice.
2. How can a customer determine whether Access Canberra is holding a registration credit in their name and its value.
3. Does Access Canberra proactively notify a customer (a) when a registration credit is created, (b) while a credit remains unapplied and (c) before any credit is transferred, written off or otherwise ceases to be available.
4. When a customer undertakes a registration transaction while an unapplied credit exists on their Access Canberra client account, is the customer automatically informed of the credit before payment is accepted.
5. Does an Access Canberra officer processing a registration transaction receive an automatic system notification that the customer has an existing credit.
6. How many customers currently hold an unapplied registration credit who have not been directly notified of that credit or its balance within the previous 12 months.

1516 **MR MILLIGAN**: To ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation —

1. What trials of new or expanded recreational or sporting water activities has the ACT Government undertaken or authorised since 1 January 2000.
2. For each trial referred to in part (1), (a) what activity was trialled, (b) where and when did it occur, (c) what restrictions or conditions applied, (d) what safety and environmental monitoring occurred, (e) what community consultation occurred, (f) what were the findings and recommendations and (g) did the activity subsequently continue; if not, why not.
3. What recommendations resulted from the controlled waterskiing trial on Lake Ginninderra, including (a) what decision was made regarding continued waterskiing, (b) when and by whom was that decision made, (c) what reasons were recorded and (d) what subsequent consideration has been given to waterskiing or wakeboarding on Lake Ginninderra.
4. What other assessments has the Government undertaken since 1 January 2010 regarding expanded recreational use of ACT waterways, including for each (a) what activity and water body were considered, (b) what recommendations were made and (c) what action was taken.
5. Has the Government assessed whether restrictions could instead be managed through permits, designated areas, operating hours, vessel limits or seasonal access.

1517 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. Has the Government reviewed whether officers, supervisors or managers failed to discharge their responsibilities in handling or redirecting the 10 January 2022 Fix My Street report concerning the dangerous tree at Black Mountain Peninsula; if so, (a) was the review completed and (b) did it identify any individual or managerial failure.
2. Did the matter referred to in part (1) result in any (a) counselling or targeted retraining, (b) formal performance management, (c) misconduct investigation and (d) disciplinary action; if not, was this because (i) no employee failure was identified, (ii) responsibility could not be established and (iii) individual and managerial responsibility was not examined.
3. Can the Minister provide for each category referred to in part (2) the number of employees involved and the broad outcome, without names or identifying personal information.
4. Which position was responsible for deciding whether accountability or performance management action was warranted.

1518 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development —

1. How many warning letters has Access Canberra issued in relation to the Big Splash site in the last three years.
2. What was the consequence of each of the warning letters referred to in part (1).
3. How many rectification orders has Access Canberra issued in relation to the Big Splash site.
4. What was the consequence of each rectification order referred to in part (3) and did Access Canberra charge the owners, leaseholders or mortgagees any money following the issue of those rectification orders.
5. How many controlled activity orders has Access Canberra issued in relation to the Big Splash site.
6. Was there a fine payable for each of the controlled activity orders referred to in part (5); if so, (a) what was the maximum fine payable in each instance, (b) was the fine levied and collected and (c) if not levied or collected, why not.
7. How many site inspections has Access Canberra conducted in relation to the Big Splash site and what was the consequence from each of those inspections.
8. How many times did Access Canberra ask the owners, leaseholders or mortgagees to fix the fence and what was the result of those requests.
9. How many times did Access Canberra ask the owners, leaseholders or mortgagees to clean up or repair the site and what was the result of those requests.

1519 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Minister for Finance —

1. Which agencies are not currently capable of receiving or paying eInvoices and when will those agencies be capable of doing so.
2. What proportion of eInvoices since commencement were paid within 14 days, broken down by (a) agency and (b) year, as per the Government's 2020 commitment to pay suppliers within 14 days.
3. What number and proportion of invoices for the last financial year that are not eInvoices were paid within 14 days, broken down by agency.
4. What are the barriers to ensuring that all correctly rendered invoices are paid within 14 days as referred to in part (2) and what work is underway to resolving those barriers.

1520 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. Who has responsibility for maintenance of the path along the side of the Tuggeranong Archery Club which is also used by members to get to the Tuggeranong Men's Shed, given that a Fix My Street request about flooding (reference 01346643) was closed by Access Canberra and the information sent onto the Sports and Recreation team to action, who have reported that they believe the responsibility is with the archery club.
2. Will the Government contribute to the cost of repair due to the accessibility issues of the current path referred to in part (1).

1521 **MS BARRY**: To ask the Attorney-General —

1. How many ACT Supreme Court jury trials over the past 5 years have been (a) discontinued and (b) retried due to a hung jury.
2. In how many ACT Supreme Court jury trials over the past 5 years has the jury been disbanded and how many have been retried with a different empanelment.
3. Has the Government conducted any surveys or other research on jury members in hung trials over the past 5 years.
4. What is the breakdown of the charges that were being prosecuted of the criminal trials where (a) the jury has been disbanded and (b) resulted in a hung jury over the past 5 years.

1522 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Treasurer —

1. When did the Government first acquire a shareholding in Palantir Technologies Inc (Palantir).
2. When was Palantir (a) first assessed and (b) most recently assessed under the Responsible Investment Policy and what were the findings of the assessments.
3. Has the Government been aware that Palantir is increasingly embedded in the national security functions of the USA and therefore may be increasingly involved in the foreign affairs activities of the US Government.
4. Has the Government been aware that Palantir was, in 2019, offered a $90 million contract relating to nuclear security systems in the USA; if so, how does the Government reconcile this activity with the Responsible Investment Policy's investment exclusions relating to providers of auxiliary services related to nuclear weapons; if not, what actions will the Government now take relating to its ongoing investments in Palantir.
5. Will the Government divest from Palantir.

1523 **MR EMERSON**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. What options are currently available to students who want to continue studying a language in Years 11 and 12 when it is not offered at their college.
2. Are there any hardship provisions or fee waivers for students who are paying to study languages that are not otherwise offered at their college.
3. Does the Government think families and students should be financially disadvantaged because their college does not offer the language they want to study.

1524 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. On what date was the crisis management team created to deal with the fallout from changes to the 2027 public school budgets.
2. Who is on the crisis management team referred to in part (1).
3. Was the matter referred to in part (1) discussed with the Australian Education Union.

1525 **MS CARRICK**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. What active contracts require the Government to underwrite patronage of an event or service.
2. Which contracts have required a payment to be made to meet contractual patronage underwriting commitments over the last five financial years, including (a) how much was paid in each year and (b) what were the payments for.
3. How much has been paid to underwrite patronage of an event or service where there is no contractual commitment over the last five financial years.
4. Is the Government considering underwriting patronage for the new (a) Lyric Theatre and (b) entertainment centre.

1526 **MS VASSAROTTI**: To ask the Minister for Health —

1. Is the Government planning to audit all 393 current tobacco licence holders for compliance, including premises now trading as gift or variety stores; if so, when will this audit be undertaken.
2. Is the Government planning to suspend or cancel the licence of any retailer found to be selling illicit tobacco and vaping products, rather than relying on fines alone; if so, when will this occur.

1527 **MS BARRY**: To ask the Minister for Housing and Homelessness —

1. Can a public housing tenancy be transferred to or succeeded by a spouse, child, relative or other household member following the death or departure of the original tenant; if so, (a) what eligibility criteria apply, (b) is the successor required to demonstrate ongoing eligibility for public housing, (c) how many tenancies have been transferred or succeeded in each of the past five financial years and (d) how many involved a person who was not the original tenant's spouse or partner.
2. How many public housing properties are currently under-occupied, broken down by (a) number of bedrooms and (b) number of bedrooms exceeding the assessed needs of the household.
3. How many public housing properties with three or more bedrooms are currently occupied by only one person, including how many are freestanding houses.
4. How many tenants currently occupying an under-occupied property have been offered transfer to a smaller property in each of the past five financial years.
5. What policies does Housing ACT have to reduce under-occupation and ensure larger properties are available to households with the greatest need.

1528 **MS BARRY**: To ask the Attorney-General — How many ACT Supreme Court cases over the past 5 years have resulted in a mistrial and how many have been retried and/or appealed.

1529 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for Children, Youth and Families —

1. What amount of funding in the 2026-27 ACT Budget is specifically allocated to implementation of recommendations of the *Our Booris, Our Way* Review and to the *Our Booris, Our Way* Implementation Oversight Committee, broken down by financial year across the forward estimates.
2. What exact services and programs is the $23 million in additional funding going towards to deliver critical services for vulnerable children and young people with complex needs which the Minister announced in the statement made on 12 June 2026.
3. How much of the funding referred to in part (2) is (a) new funding, (b) continuation of previously announced funding and (c) to be met from existing agency resources.
4. Can the Minister provide for each *Our Booris, Our Way* recommendation that is not yet fully implemented (a) its current implementation status and (b) the work remaining.
5. Has the *Our Booris, Our Way* Implementation Oversight Committee requested any additional funding or resources since 1 July 2024; if so, what was (a) requested and (b) the Government's response.
6. Are any outstanding recommendations referred to in part (1) currently (a) unfunded, (b) partially funded, (c) delayed due to resource constraints and (d) dependent on a future budget allocation; if so, which recommendations.

1530 **MR EMERSON**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. Has the Government modelled future data centre development demand in the ACT on medium (2030) to long-term (2050) timescales and what the impacts of this demand are on (a) energy and water requirements/availability, (b) energy prices for Canberrans, (c) the ACT's climate targets and (d) construction sector demand, including impact on housing supply; if so, can the Minister provide this modelling.
2. Has the Government modelled what benefits the expected data centre demand would bring to the Territory, particularly in (a) employment, (b) government revenue and (c) other community benefits; if so, can the Minister provide this modelling.
3. Does the Government know (a) who the clients will be, such as government agencies or hyperscale cloud providers, for the proposals being assessed for a data centre in Beard and an extension in Hume and (b) will their new computing power be end-used in the ACT.

1531 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education — On what dates were meetings held between Education Directorate officials and the principals of schools who received cuts to their 2027 indicative budgets, prior to the schools receiving their 2027 indicative budgets.

1532 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. Is the statement of the Minister for Sport and Recreation on 14 September 2026 the first time a minister has known that the Big Splash pool will not reopen by the date set by Access Canberra.
2. When was the first date on which a minister knew the lessee wanted to redevelop the site for a hotel and how did the minister get that information.
3. Why are ministers getting briefings about the issues referred to in parts (1) and (2) if they are not involved in decisions to enforce the lease and to make development application and planning decisions at Big Splash and who are they getting this information from.
4. Has any minister been involved in any lease enforcement or planning decisions relating to Big Splash or are these decisions happening at arm's length from ministers.
5. Has any minister misled the community in relation to what will happen next on the Big Splash site.

1533 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education — When will the implementation plan, including (a) clear actions, (b) milestones and (c) timeframes be released publicly.

1534 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Health —

1. Are (a) The Canberra Hospital and (b) North Canberra Hospital able to support a vaginal breech birth.
2. How many providers are able to support a vaginal breech birth at each hospital referred to in part (1).
3. What are the options for someone who wants a vaginal breech birth.
4. Are women and birthing people being told their only choices if their baby is breech are to have a caesarean section or go to Sydney or Melbourne.
5. Why isn't the ACT training more providers to be able to do a vaginal breech birth.

1535 **MS CARRICK**: To ask the Minister for Transport —

1. What (a) traffic, (b) transport and (c) road safety assessments were undertaken before the new Garran Primary School entrance on Kitchener Street was designed and constructed and what assumptions were made regarding vehicle movements during school drop-off and pick-up periods.
2. What consultation was undertaken with (a) local residents, (b) the school community and (c) relevant transport agencies regarding the location and design of the new school entrance referred to in part (1).
3. Has the Government undertaken any post-construction review of (a) traffic movements, (b) pedestrian safety and (c) traffic management arrangements associated with the new entrance referred to in part (1); if so, what were the findings.
4. Has the Government assessed reports of vehicles undertaking U-turns in nearby residential streets during school drop-off and pick-up periods referred to in part (1) and any associated impacts on road safety.
5. Will the Government review the current traffic arrangements around Garran Primary School to determine whether changes are required to improve safety and traffic flow for (a) students, (b) pedestrians, (c) cyclists and (d) local residents.

1536 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Treasurer —

1. Does the Government define frontline and non-frontline staff; if so, can the Minister provide those definitions and their relationship to State of the Service classifications.
2. What analysis has been undertaken of frontline versus non-frontline Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) growth over the period 2015-2016 to 2024-2025 and what were the findings.
3. What proportion of additional FTE referred to in part (2) was frontline and non-frontline; if unknown, why.
4. What are the official ACT population figures as at June 2016 and June 2025, including the numerical and percentage increase.
5. Why did the State of the Service headcount groups of executives, senior officers and administrative officers grow substantially faster than teachers and how is this justified relative to population growth.
6. Has non-frontline FTE growth been assessed as financially sustainable and proportionate to frontline needs; if so, can the Minister provide copies; if not, why not.
7. How much lower would cumulative ACT operating deficits over the period referred to in part (2) have been had employment grown by (a) 29 percent as was the case with states and territories collectively, (b) 40 percent as was the case with Victoria and (c) 15 percent as was the case with Northern Territory, as reported in EY's *Australia State Budget Monitor FY27 ,* providing estimates using (i) constant annual compound growth and actual annual average employee costs, (ii) holding other revenue and expenditure unchanged and (iii) stating assumptions.

1537 **MR COCKS**: To ask the Treasurer — In relation to the answer to question taken on notice No 11 of the Select Committee on Estimates 2026-2027, (a) can the Minister provide for each year from 2019-2020 to 2024-2025 the number of (i) ACT businesses, (ii) business entries, (iii) business exits and (iv) net growth, (b) can the Minister provide the number and proportion of businesses of the net growth in each year that were (i) non-employing, (ii) employing one to four people, (iii) employing five to 19 people and (iv) employing 20 or more people, (c) can the Minister provide the net growth over the same period by annual turnover bands (i) less than $50,000, (ii) $50,000 to $199,999, (iii) $200,000 to $1.999 million, (iv) $2 million to $9.999 million and (v) $10 million or more, (d) what proportion of the net increase in ACT businesses since 2019-2020 was attributable to non-employing businesses or businesses employing fewer than five people, (e) what proportion of businesses commencing since 2019-2020 remained operating after (i) one, (ii) three and (iii) five years where data is available, (f) how many businesses commencing as non-employing subsequently became employing businesses within one and three years, (g) can the Minister provide (i) entries, (ii) exits and (iii) net growth by industry, (h) has Treasury assessed whether the strong growth in headline ACT business numbers identified by Pegasus represents growth in substantive, sustainable employing businesses rather than predominantly sole traders, contractors and micro-businesses; if so, can the Minister provide that assessment.

1538 **MR BRADDOCK**: To ask the Treasurer —

1. How much is allocated to the Aviation Stimulus Fund in the 2026-2027 Budget.
2. How much was spent on the Aviation Stimulus Fund in the financial years (a) 2025-2026, (b) 2024-2023 and (c) 2022-2023.

1539 **MR MILLIGAN**: To ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation —

1. What proposals has the Government (a) received, (b) developed and (c) considered for new or expanded water-based sporting, recreational, tourism or entertainment events since 1 January 2010.
2. What activity or event was proposed for each proposal referred to in part (1), including, (a) which water body was proposed, (b) who proposed it, (c) which ACT Government entities considered it, (d) what safety, environmental, infrastructure or regulatory issues were identified and (e) what was the outcome.
3. Has the Government undertaken, received or participated in any proposal, correspondence, meeting, assessment or feasibility work concerning (a) returning the Birdman Rally to Lake Burley Griffin, (b) hosting SailGP on Lake Burley Griffin, (c) another major sailing event and (d) any other major water-based sporting or recreational event.
4. What (a) discussions have occurred with the National Capital Authority or Commonwealth, (b) feasibility work has occurred, (c) infrastructure or regulatory barriers have been identified, (d) economic, tourism or community benefits have been assessed and (e) is the current status for each matter referred to in part (3).
5. Has the Government undertaken a whole-of-ACT assessment of whether Canberra's waterways are being fully utilised for recreation, sport and major events; if not, why not.

1540 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. How many preschool places have been made available in total for Strathnairn School.
2. How many homes does Strathnairn School (a) currently serve and (b) expect to serve in ten years' time.
3. How many families have sought a preschool place at Strathnairn School.
4. How many families and children have been turned away from a preschool place at Strathnairn School.
5. What are the options for children living in Strathnairn and Ginninderry who are turned away from a preschool place at Strathnairn School.

1541 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. What was the total monetary value of all positive balances held across Access Canberra client accounts, not limited to vehicle registration credits, as at 30 June in the years (a) 2021–2022, (b) 2022-2023, (c) 2023-2024, (d) 2024-2025, (e) 2025–2026 and (f) currently.
2. In what bank account, fund, ledger or other financial account are the funds referred to in part (1) held and which ACT Government entity legally holds them.
3. Are 100 percent of positive client account balances backed at all times by an equivalent amount of cash or other funds available for repayment or application to customer transactions.
4. Are any client account balances classified as trust money under Part 7 of the *Financial Management Act 1996;* if so, (a) what amount is currently classified as trust money and (b) in which trust banking account is it held; if not, what is the legal and accounting basis on which the Territory holds those funds.
5. Are client account funds pooled, transferred to or held within the Territory Banking Account or any directorate banking account.
6. Has any interest or other investment return been earned from funds attributable to positive Access Canberra client account balances since 1 July 2021; if so, for each financial year (a) how much and (b) where was that interest or return credited.
7. Is any interest or investment return credited to the customer whose money generated it; if not, who receives the financial benefit.
8. What legislation, policy, Treasurer's direction or accounting standard governs the holding and treatment of these balances.

1542 **MS VASSAROTTI**: To ask the Minister for Human Rights —

1. Is a timeframe of five months, from when a complaint is lodged regarding safe pedestrian access for a person living with disability to the ACT Human Rights Commission (HRC) contacting the complainant, and a further four months to process the complaint, an anomaly.
2. What is the average timeframe for responding to complainants to the HRC.
3. What is the average time for resolving complaints to the HRC.
4. How many complaints have been made to the HRC against ACT Government entities over the past five years.
5. In how many of the complaints referred to in part (4) did the Government decline to participate in conciliation.
6. What actions can the HRC or the complainant take where a respondent refuses to participate in conciliation.

1543 **MS CARRICK**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. What (a) enrolment projections, (b) demographic analysis, (c) school capacity modelling, (d) walkability assessments and (e) safe school access assessments has the Government undertaken to determine how future student demand arising from residential growth in Woden will be accommodated.
2. What (a) enrolment projections, (b) demographic analysis and (c) school capacity modelling were used to support the decision to expand Garran Primary School.
3. What options analysis was undertaken before deciding to expand Garran Primary School, including consideration of increasing capacity at other schools in the Woden Valley.
4. What were the reasons for selecting the expansion of Garran Primary School as the preferred option.
5. How does the expansion of Garran Primary School fit within the Government's broader plan to accommodate future student enrolments generated by population growth in the Woden Valley, given it is not included in the Southern Gateway precincts.

1544 **MS CARRICK**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. What evidence demonstrates that additional childcare places are required in Curtin, given the ACT Early Childhood Education and Care Demand and Supply Analysis does not identify Woden Valley as a region facing significant childcare undersupply.
2. What alternative sites were assessed, including co-located sites at existing schools or other community facilities, before supporting the consolidation of two residential blocks in Curtin and why were those options rejected.
3. How is the Curtin proposal consistent with the policy around expanding childcare services attached to primary schools as an important part of growing community-based not-for-profit childcare.
4. Will the proposed Curtin childcare centre be operated by a not-for-profit provider; if not, how does the proposal advance the Government's objective of supporting the not-for-profit childcare sector.
5. How many childcare places have been delivered through co-located school developments over the last five years.
6. How many of the places referred to in part (5) are operated by not-for-profit providers.
7. Does the Government have a target for increasing the proportion of not-for-profit childcare places across Canberra.

1545 **MS VASSAROTTI**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. What nutritionist or organisation is currently overseeing the Meals in Schools program.
2. Has the Meals in Schools program been evaluated; if so, what stage is that evaluation at.
3. Why is the Meals in Schools program getting frozen sandwiches from Queensland rather than having them made fresh at a school canteen.
4. Are there any audits on food wastage in the Meals in Schools program and is food wastage being monitored.

1546 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. Have all changes to Fix My Street announced by the Government to address the incorrect allocation and missed assessment of reports been implemented following the death of Mr Paul Storey; if not, (a) which remain outstanding and (b) when will they be completed.
2. Which position or team is now responsible for ensuring an incorrectly allocated report reaches the correct business unit and how is acceptance by that unit confirmed.
3. Have checks or audits tested whether potentially dangerous reports are correctly allocated and assessed promptly; if so, (a) when was the most recent check, (b) what did it find and (c) do any identified problems remain unresolved.
4. How many reports were identified, using existing records, as incorrectly allocated in (a) 2024–2025 and (b) 2025–2026.
5. How many of the reports referred to in part (4) concerned potential safety hazards.
6. Does the Government separately record whether the errors referred to in part (4) arise from technical faults, human error or unclear responsibility; if so, can the Minister provide the available breakdown for those years; if not, what existing measure is used to establish whether allocation failures are recurring or reducing.

1547 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. What is an Access Canberra "client account", including (a) what types of payments or credits may be held in such accounts and (b) under what legislative, financial or administrative authority are those funds held.
2. How is a client informed that they have a positive client account balance and can clients view their current balance and transaction history through (a) ACT Digital Account, (b) another online service and (c) any other means.; if a client cannot view their balance online, why not.
3. What information or evidence must a client provide to access or use the funds referred to in part (2) and why is evidence of the original payment required where Access Canberra's records show that payment and credit.
4. What is the process for a client to request repayment of the credit referred to in part (2) to a bank account and what is the average processing time.
5. Does Access Canberra proactively contact clients with unused balances; if so, (a) after what period and (b) by what means.

6. What happens to balances where a client (a) undertakes no further transactions, (b) cannot be contacted and (c) dies.
7. Are client account balances treated as (a) trust money, (b) unclaimed money, (c) a liability and (d) another accounting classification.
8. Where are the aggregate balances referred to in part (7) reported in the Territory's financial records.

1548 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. How many Accredited Driving Instructors (ADIs), for each of the last five financial years, were (a) accredited, (b) audited, including (i) unannounced audits and (ii) observations of competency 23 assessments and (c) received warnings, unsatisfactory audit findings, mandatory retraining, suspension or cancellation of accreditation, infringement action, prosecution or referral for investigation and what were the reasons for these.
2. How many complaints or allegations were received that an ADI had signed off a learner who had not demonstrated the required competency for each of the last five financial years.
3. Does Access Canberra, either routinely or on a risk or intelligence basis, cross-reference ACT crash data with driver licensing records to identify drivers involved in crashes who obtained their provisional licence through the Competency Based Training and Assessment (CBT&A) scheme and the ADI who certified them.
4. Is information (a) cross-referenced against the ADI who completed the CBT&A assessment and (b) used to identify patterns involving particular instructors or driving schools, where a driver has held a provisional or full licence for less than five years and is determined, through ACT Policing or another official process, to have been at fault or responsible for a crash; if not cross-referenced, (a) why not and (b) has Access Canberra considered implementing it.
5. Can the information referred to in part (4) trigger targeted auditing or review of an ADI.

1549 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Treasurer —

1. Has ACT Treasury undertaken modelling or forecasting of the impact that falling residential property or unimproved land values may have on (a) average unimproved values, (b) residential general rates revenue and (c) average household rates bills over the forward estimates; if so, for each year of the forward estimates, (i) what reduction in residential rates revenue and (ii) what average saving to Canberra households is currently forecast compared with existing budget assumptions.
2. What assumptions regarding residential property and unimproved land values, including any impact from the Commonwealth property tax changes, are incorporated into current rates revenue forecasts.
3. Will material falls in unimproved land values be allowed to flow through to lower rates bills or lower rates growth for Canberra households or does the Government anticipate adjusting rating factors to maintain forecast rates revenue.

1550 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. How many persons had an unapplied vehicle registration credit held by Access Canberra at the time a vehicle registered in their name subsequently became unregistered for each financial year (a) 2021-2022, (b) 2022-2023, (c) 2023-2024, (d) 2024-2025 and (e) 2025-2026.
2. How many of the persons referred to in part (1) were subsequently issued an infringement for using an unregistered vehicle and (a) what was the total value of registration credits held by Access Canberra at the time, (b) how many held a credit sufficient to meet the full registration amount that would have been payable and (c) how many held a credit sufficient to meet part of that amount.
3. What was the total value of infringements issued to persons identified in part (2) and how many were subsequently withdrawn or cancelled.
4. Does Access Canberra have any automated control or warning identifying an existing registration credit before enforcement action is taken in relation to an unregistered vehicle; if not, why not.

1551 **MR EMERSON**: To ask the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development —

1. How many (a) residential and (b) commercial leases have been terminated over the last ten years for failing to meet their statutory requirements under the *Planning Act 2023*.
2. Does the enforcement of crown leases differ depending on whether it is a residential or commercial lease; if so, how.

1552 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education — In relation to the internal multi-hazard risk assessment document prepared by the Education Directorate to deal with the fallout of changes to the 2027 public school budgets, (a) on what date was the assessment document finalised, (b) what data was used to create the assessment document, (c) who prepared the assessment document and did they consult with the Australian Education Union and (d) can the Minister provide a full copy of the multi-hazard risk assessment document.

1553 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Minister for Health —

1. What criteria were used to determine the prioritisation or sequencing of the planning, design and development of each health centre referred to in ACT Labor's 2020 election commitment for five new health centres.
2. Is the sequencing referred to in part (1) based on need.
3. Were feasibility assessments or business cases used to determine the sequencing of the projects referred to in part (1); if so, can the Minister provide those documents.
4. Was demand a factor in determining the sequencing of the projects referred to in part (1); if so, can the Minister provide the demand forecast data for each health centre.
5. What was the (a) initial estimated cost and delivery date following the 2020 election and (b) current estimated cost and delivery date for each health centre referred to in part (1).

6. Has the service model changed for any health centre referred to in part (1) since the initial proposal; if so, (a) what changes have been made, (b) why were the changes made, (c) when was the decision made and (d) what were the financial impacts of the changes.
7. Has the sequencing of the centres referred to in part (1) changed since 2020; if so, (a) what changes have been made, (b) why were the changes made, (c) what was the basis for the changes and (d) when was the decision made.
8. How much funding is currently allocated to the North Gungahlin Health Centre project, given the Minister advised the Assembly on 22 September 2026 that its delivery was subject to budget processes.

1554 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. Who should a member of the public contact where they hold critical animal welfare concerns (a) inside and (b) outside of business hours.
2. What is the jurisdictional responsibility delineation between (a) Domestic Animal Services (DAS), (b) RSPCA ACT, (c) Access Canberra, (d) ACT Police and (e) ACT Fire and Rescue with regards to animal welfare concerns.
3. How does the Government ensure animals are not left in prolonged distress during public holidays or weekends.
4. What is the after-hours or escalation pathway for neglect or immediate risk cases for animals.
5. Are all the agencies referred to in part (2) aware and are staff trained in procedures and escalation pathways for animal welfare emergencies out of business hours.
6. Who is responsible for ensuring staff understand the appropriate response to a report of an injured domestic animal in distress.

1555 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. Are mowing crews instructed and trained to strictly bypass African Lovegrass patches while they are in seed to avoid accelerating the invasion of this species.
2. Will the Directorate allocate the necessary resources to re-write their operational protocols before the upcoming spring seed-set and meet with mowing crews again to ensure that if the single “daily wash-down” protocol remains in place, mowers must not drive over African Love Grass when it is in seed.
3. Does the Government understand that prioritising short-term mowing efficiency over long-term biosecurity asset protection means that they are choosing a path that will lead to escalating economic costs, environmental degradation and a loss of community amenity.

1556 **MS VASSAROTTI**: To ask the Minister for Children, Youth and Families —

1. What was the breakdown of the $15.8 million, from the $18.3 million Treasurer's Advance for the Health and Community Services Directorate in 2025-2026, given that a recent answer to a question taken on notice stated that $2.5 million of that advance was for settlement of historical institutional abuse claims and $204.4 million was provided in the 2025-2026 Budget for child and youth protection services.
2. What have been the reasons for the cost increases referred to in part (1).
3. What was the nature, in terms of descriptive categories and not specifics, of the types of claims that were included in the payouts referred to in part (1).
4. How many incidents occurred in the years (a) 2023, (b) 2024, (c) 2025 and (d) 2026 to date that led to (i) negligence claims being lodged with the Territory and (ii) a financial settlement by the Territory, including all incidents that Directorates settle in-house, by their outposted lawyer and the Australian Capital Territory Insurance Authority (ACTIA).
5. How many of the incidents referred to in part (4) did the Territory accept liability for each year referred to in part (4).
6. How many non-disclosure agreements have been approved by the ACT Solicitor-General.
7. What percentage of cases does the ACT Solicitor-General brief to private barristers rather than Territory Solicitors appearing for the Territory.

1557 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development —

1. Did Access Canberra or the delegate, in relation to the notice of intention to terminate the crown lease for breach of lease provisions on 30 January 2026 as referred to in FOI 26-133 concerning Big Splash, (a) obtain legal advice prior to or after issuing the notice and (b) receive representations from the lessee, the Minister or anyone else regarding the legality of terminating the lease.
2. Why did Access Canberra think in January they could terminate the lease referred to in part (1) and then think in April they couldn't.
3. Did Access Canberra or anyone else in government quantify how much compensation might be payable if they terminated the lease referred to in part (1).

1558 **MR BRADDOCK**: To ask the Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water — What discussions has the Government had with (a) EvoEnergy, (b) the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) and (c) the Commonwealth regarding a dedicated framework for gas network closure and stranded asset recovery in the ACT following the AER's final decision on EvoEnergy's gas access arrangement on 21 May 2026.

1559 **MS BARRY**: To ask the Attorney-General — Can the Minister advise (a) the number of Family Violence Orders, including interim orders, listed for return in the ACT Magistrates Court on the date they were due to expire, from the period 1 January 2026 to 1 September 2026, (b) the number of Family Violence Orders, including interim orders, listed for return since 1 January 2026, which lapsed because (i) one of the parties did not attend the return conference and (ii) the applicant or affected person did not attend the return conference and (c) of the nature of any feedback the Minister has received from (i) victim-survivors, (ii) the ACT Courts, (iii) legal profession and (iv) frontline services concerning any risks attending the listing of Family Violence Orders for return on the date they are due to expire.

1560 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education — Can the Minister provide an update on the Government's response to each of the 25 recommendations of the ACT Public School Resourcing Review.

1561 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. On what date does the Coordinated Supports for Students (Multi-Tiered System of Supports) pilot finish.
2. When will the results of the pilot referred to in part (1) be made public.
3. When will Phase 2 of the Strong Foundation reforms be released.

1562 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for Child Development and Wellbeing —

1. When was the Education Directorate, including the ACT Regulatory Authority (ACTRA), first informed or made aware that (a) either service was experiencing financial or operational difficulties, (b) either service may cease operating, (c) the operator intended to enter voluntary administration and (d) the services would close.
2. What action did the Education Directorate take following receipt of any of the information referred to in part (1).
3. What communication occurred between the Government and (a) Edge Early Learning, (b) its administrators and (c) representatives concerning the closures.
4. What assessment did ACTRA make about whether the closure process complied with the Education and Care Services National Law and National Regulations, including applicable notification requirements.
5. If any required notice period or notification requirement was not complied with, (a) what requirement was not complied with, (b) when did ACTRA become aware of the potential non-compliance, (c) what action has been taken in response and (d) is any action ongoing.
6. What is the Government doing to monitor how many (a) families, (b) children and (c) educators have relocated to other centres as a result of the closures or have not been able to relocate; if monitored, what are the numbers for each.
7. How many educators and other staff were employed at each affected service immediately prior to closure.
8. What assistance did the Education Directorate provide directly to affected families following the closures, including assistance to (a) identify alternative early childhood education and care places, (b) understand regulatory or administrative processes associated with the closure and (c) access information or other government services.

1563 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Attorney-General —

1. How many ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) proceedings involving the Territory represented by the ACT Government Solicitor (ACTGS) for each financial year from 2021-2022 to present were resolved by agreement between the parties before ACAT made a final substantive determination, broken down by the ACT Government directorate, agency or statutory authority involved in the matter.
2. How many of the matters referred to in part (1) were finalised by (a) discontinuance or withdrawal, (b) consent orders and (c) any other form of agreed resolution.
3. How many of the matters referred to in part (1) involved (a) a monetary payment by the Territory, (b) waiver or reduction of a debt or liability, (c) variation, reversal or reconsideration of a government decision and (d) any other financial or non-financial consideration.
4. What was the total value of monetary payments made in settlement of the matters referred to in part (1) in each financial year, broken down by the directorate, agency or statutory authority involved.
5. How many settlements referred to in part (4) contained confidentiality or non-disclosure provisions.
6. Can the Minister provide for each matter referred to in part (1) the (a) ACT Government directorate, agency or statutory authority involved, (b) ACAT proceeding number, (c) the date the matter was settled or otherwise resolved by agreement and (d) the settlement amount, if any, excluding information that is prohibited from disclosure by law or an order of ACAT.

1564 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. How many Live Traffic Monitoring (LTM) cameras currently operate at how many sites, including each site's (a) location, (b) installation date and (c) camera count.
2. For each LTM camera type or model, (a) does it have pan, tilt, zoom, audio, recording or image-storage capability, (b) is it technically capable of automatic number plate recognition, facial or biometric recognition, person or vehicle tracking, object recognition, behavioural analysis, artificial intelligence or other automated analytics and (c) could any currently disabled capability be enabled through software, firmware, configuration or remote update without replacing the camera.
3. Do any LTM cameras record, store, process or analyse images, video or metadata; if so, specify (a) what is collected, (b) its purpose, (c) retention period and (d) who can access it.
4. Who may access live LTM feeds, including (a) ACT Government employees, (b) contractors, (c) ACT Policing, (d) AFP and (e) other third parties.
5. Is the access referred to in part (4) direct or request-based, including (a) what authorisation is required and (b) is access logged and auditable.
6. Which organisations have been given access since 1 January 2021 to (a) live feeds, (b) images, (c) footage and (d) related data and for what purpose.
7. What (a) privacy impact, (b) human rights, (c) security and (d) other assessments have been completed for the LTM network or its expansion, and can the Minister provide dates and copies or links.
8. What (a) signage or public notification is provided at LTM locations and (b) privacy controls govern any future expansion or activation of additional camera capabilities.

1565 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. How many security employee licence renewal applications were received for (a) 2023-2024, (b) 2024-2025, (c) 2025-2026 and (d) 2026-2027 to date.
2. What was the (a) median, (b) average, (c) 90th percentile and (d) longest end-to-end processing time for each period referred to in part (1).
3. What (a) number and (b) percentage of renewals were determined within (i) 10, (ii) 20 and (iii) 30 business days for each period referred to in part (1).
4. What precisely does "processed within 10 business days" mean and does it mean the renewal will be determined within 10 business days.
5. Are the applicants referred to in part (1) currently being advised to allow four to six weeks; if so (a) since when, (b) why and (c) why is this timeframe not published.
6. How far before expiry does Access Canberra advise licence holders to apply and where is this published.
7. How many security licences since 1 July 2024 have expired while a renewal lodged before expiry remained undetermined.
8. What mechanism exists to prevent a person referred to in part (7) being unable to work solely because Access Canberra has not determined their renewal.

1566 **MS CARRICK**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. What is the projected timeframe from commencement of construction until the Southern Memorial Park will be able to accept internments.
2. How many burial plots are planned for the first stage of the Southern Memorial Park.
3. How many years of demand will this number of burial plots be expected to meet.
4. Can the project referred to in part (1) be staged with early internments.

1567 **MR EMERSON**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. How many of the Education Directorate's staff are currently working (a) within schools and (b) in roles outside of schools and can the Minister provide trend data for these categories for the years (i) 2011, (ii) 2016 and (iii) 2023.
2. Can the Minister provide a detailed breakdown of the staffing profile for Education Directorate staff working (a) within schools and (b) in roles outside of schools and provide trend data for this breakdown for the years (i) 2011, (ii) 2016 and (iii) 2023.

1568 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for the Public Service —

1. How many parking spaces are currently funded, leased, owned or otherwise provided for ACT Public Service employees, broken down by directorate or agency.
2. What is the total annual cost of providing the spaces referred to in part (1), broken down by directorate or agency.
3. How many of the spaces referred to in part (1) are allocated (a) to individual employees, broken down by ACTPS classification, (b) to particular positions and (c) for shared, pooled or team use.
4. Are employees permitted to transfer, lend, sublet, rent or otherwise allow another person to use an allocated parking space; if so, under what policy or conditions.
5. Has any directorate or agency identified any instance since 1 July 2022 of an employee charging another person for use of an ACT Government-funded or allocated parking space; if so, (a) how many instances were identified and (b) what action was taken.

1569 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education — In relation to the Reform Partner's Group, (a) on what dates have they met, (b) have any meetings that were scheduled been cancelled; if so, (i) what were the dates of those cancelled meetings, (ii) why were the meetings cancelled and (iii) who cancelled the meetings and (c) will the Minister make the minutes of the meetings public; if not, why not; if so, when.

1570 **MS CASTLEY**: To ask the Minister for Finance —

1. What specific measures, criteria, or tests will the Government use to determine if the Government's procurement reforms earlier this term have been effective.
2. Has the Government identified any specific targets or timeframes for the reforms referred to in part (1) to be effective; if so, can the Minister provide these targets and timeframes.
3. How did the Government measure the administrative burden that was a motivation for the Government Procurement Amendment Bill 2025.
4. What measurements have subsequently been taken, or will be undertaken, to determine if the Bill referred to in part (3) has successfully reduced the burden.
5. Does the Government measure the median time or administrative cost of procurement processes; if so, can the Minister provide this data.

1571 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. What testing or validation did the Government obtain before seatbelt camera enforcement commenced demonstrating that the Acusensus technology could reliably detect seatbelt non-compliance, as distinct from mobile phone use.
2. Did Acusensus provide the Government with (a) seatbelt-specific validation studies or trial results, (b) accuracy or error-rate data and (c) false-positive rates, separately for drivers and passengers; if not, on what basis did the Government determine the technology was sufficiently reliable to issue seatbelt infringements.
3. Has Acusensus claimed that any (a) validation, (b) accuracy and (c) error-rate information is commercial-in-confidence; if so, what information.
4. Has the Government independently tested or validated the technology for seatbelt enforcement; if so, (a) when, (b) by whom and (c) what were the results.
5. How many potential seatbelt offences since enforcement commenced have (a) been flagged by the system, (b) been rejected following human review and (c) resulted in an infringement.

1572 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. How many customer accounts contain vehicle registration credits that have remained unapplied for (a) less than 12 months, (b) one to two years, (c) two to three years, (d) three to five years, (e) five to six years, and (f) more than six years.
2. What is the total value of credits in each category referred to in part (1).
3. What is the oldest unapplied registration credit currently held and what is its value.
4. What is the largest individual unapplied registration credit currently held and how long has it remained unapplied.
5. What value of registration credits, for each financial year (a) 2021-2022, (b) 2022-2023, (c) 2023-2024, (d) 2024-2025 and (e) 2025-2026, was (i) applied to subsequent transactions, (ii) refunded to customers and (iii) otherwise transferred, written off or removed from customer accounts.

1573 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for Child Development and Wellbeing —

1. Is the circuitous system necessary when a parent or guardian wants to have their child assessed by the child development service, given they have to get a referral from a specialist, which means they have to see their General Practitioner who will refer to a specialist, then they wait for that specialist appointment, then the specialist sends a referral to the child development service and the patient has to wait a significant amount of time for an appointment with them.
2. Why can’t a child be assessed by the child development service directly.

1574 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. What was the total number of (a) Certificates of Electrical Safety lodged, (b) electrical inspection fees charged and (c) physical inspections undertaken, broken down by (i) full, (ii) partial and (iii) reinspection, for financial years (A) 2021-2022, (B) 2022-2023, (C) 2023-2024, (D) 2024-2025, (E) 2025-2026 and (F) 2026-2027 to date.
2. What was the total revenue received from electrical inspection and reinspection fees for financial years (a) 2021-2022, (b) 2022-2023, (c) 2023-2024, (d) 2024-2025, (e) 2025-2026 and (f) 2026-2027 to date.
3. How many officers were qualified or authorised to conduct electrical inspections by (a) headcount and (b) Full-Time Equivalent.
4. What was the (a) average and median number of inspections completed per inspector per working day and (b) highest number completed by a single inspector in one working day for each period referred to in part (2).
5. What was the average and median duration of (a) full inspections, (b) partial inspections and (c) reinspections; if inspection duration is not recorded, why not.
6. How many inspections involved solar installations.
7. How many inspections referred to in part (6) involved (a) physical roof access, (b) inspection without roof access and (c) no physical inspection of rooftop components.
8. What mandatory qualifications and training must an officer complete before independently conducting inspections.
9. How many officers conducted inspections while completing inspection-specific training.
10. What was the total annual cost of delivering the electrical inspection function and did fee revenue exceed that cost in any year; if so, by how much.
11. What percentage of electrical inspection fees charged resulted in a physical inspection.

1575 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services — Can the Minister provide, in relation to the Fix My Street report lodged on 10 January 2022 concerning the dangerous tree at Black Mountain Peninsula, (a) which position title and business unit were responsible for identifying an incorrectly allocated report and forwarding it to the correct area under the arrangements operating at the time, (b) was an officer in the business unit that received this report expected to review and redirect it; if so, was that responsibility carried out; if not, what reason has been established, (c) which supervisory or managerial position was responsible for ensuring incorrectly allocated reports were redirected and acted upon and (d) has the Government determined whether the failure involved (i) an officer not performing an assigned duty, (ii) unclear allocation of responsibility, (iii) a technical fault and (iv) a combination; if so, what was determined; if not, why not.

1576 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water —

1. How many individuals volunteered each year for the last five years for (a) Landcare ACT, (b) Ginninderra Catchment Group, (c) Molonglo Conservation Group, (d) Southern ACT Catchment Group, (e) FrogWatch, (f) WaterWatch, (g) Urban Landcares, such as Dickson Wetland, Crace Landcare, and (h) Parkcare.
2. How many volunteer hours were recorded for each organisation referred to in part (1) each year for the last five years; if the Government does not have this information, can the Minister explain how it is tracking volunteer numbers and volunteer hours across these organisations.

1577 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education — In relation to the review of the Student Resource Allocation Framework, (a) what is the timeline for the review, (b) has the review commenced, (c) what date will the review be finalised, (d) who is undertaking the review, (e) which stakeholders will be consulted prior to the review being finalised and (f) will the outcome of the review be made public.

1578 **MS VASSAROTTI**: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services —

1. Can the Minister detail the events that occurred during and in relation to the pursuit on 20 September 2026 reported by *The Canberra Times*, including (a) how long did the pursuit last and (b) what vehicle speeds were reached during the pursuit.
2. Was the pursuit referred to in part (1) conducted within the police pursuit guidelines or were any elements of it found to have gone outside of these guidelines; if so, what elements.
3. Was the pursuit referred to in part (1) reviewed and what is the outcome of that review.
4. How many police pursuits since 2023, following review by the Operational Driving Committee, resulted in (a) the provision of operational feedback to members, (b) the application of internal sanctions and (c) recognising or commending exemplary conduct demonstrated by members during a pursuit.

1579 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood — When will the results of the public school infrastructure audit be made available to the public.

1580 **MS LEE**: To ask the Minister for Education —

1. Can the Minister provide all modelling that was done in relation to the 2027 budget allocations for the (a) Malkara School, (b) Black Mountain School, (c) Cranleigh School and (d) Woden School.
2. On what dates did the Minister for Education personally meet with the principals of the schools referred to in part (1) who received cuts to their 2027 indicative budgets.

1581 **MS CLAY**: To ask the Chief Minister —

1. Does the Minister intend to consult the community on the Bruce Precinct Master Plan; if so, when; if not why not.
2. What additional analysis will be undertaken to ensure that access to the North Canberra Hospital is not adversely impacted, given the Transport and Access Movement Report highlights critical issues associated with increased traffic movements which could impact accessibility.
3. How many homes will be included in (a) scenario one, where the stadium relocates to Canberra Institute of Technology (CIT) and (b) scenario two, where the stadium stays where it is.
4. How many public homes will be included in (a) scenario one and (b) scenario two as referred to in part (3).
5. How much federal funding has been (a) committed and (b) sought for (i) public homes in scenario one and scenario two as referred to in part (3), (ii) other homes in scenario one and scenario two as referred to in part (3), (iii) a new or refurbished stadium, (iv) the broader sport, health and education precinct, (v) CIT Bruce refurbishment or relocation and (vi) Light Rail Stage 3.

1582 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for City and Government Services —

1. How many physical electrical inspections were undertaken by Access Canberra, excluding solar photovoltaic inspections, for financial years (a) 2021-2022, (b) 2022-2023, (c) 2023-2024, (d) 2024-2025, (e) 2025-2026 and (f) 2026-2027 to date.
2. How many electrical inspectors were employed by (a) headcount and (b) Full-Time Equivalent.
3. What was the average and median number of physical inspections referred to in part (1) completed per inspector per working day.
4. What was the highest number of physical inspections referred to in part (1) recorded as completed by a single inspector in one working day in each year.
5. How many inspectors recorded more than (a) 10, (b) 15, (c) 20 and (d) 25 physical inspections referred to in part (1) in a single working day and on how many occasions.
6. What is the expected or standard duration of a physical electrical inspection.
7. Is the actual duration of individual inspections recorded.
8. What was the total revenue received from electrical inspection and reinspection fees.

1583 **MISS NUTTALL**: To ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation —

1. Who has responsibility for maintenance of the path along the side of the Tuggeranong Archery Club which is also used by members to get to the Tuggeranong Men's Shed, given that a Fix My Street request about flooding (reference 01346643) was closed by Access Canberra and the information sent onto the Sports and Recreation team to action, who have reported that they believe the responsibility is with the archery club.
2. Will the Government contribute to the cost of repair due to the accessibility issues of the current path referred to in part (1).

1584 **MS CARRICK**: To ask the Minister for Arts, Creative Industries and the Night-Time Economy —

1. How many grant applications were approved for arts activities in the 2025-2026 year.
2. How many of the applications referred to in part (1) were from people resident in the (a) Woden Valley, (b) Weston Creek and (c) Molonglo Valley districts.
3. Where did the arts activities referred to in part (1) take place.

1585 **MR CAIN**: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services —

1. Did ACT Corrective Services identify that the Alexander Maconochie Centre detainee payment system allowed a person to initiate deposits using another person's BSB and account number without verifying that person's authority or ownership; if so, (a) when was this vulnerability identified, (b) when was it rectified and (c) what changes were made.
2. Can a person currently fund a detainee trust account using only another person's BSB and account number; if not, when was this functionality removed.
3. What identity, account-ownership, cardholder-authorisation or other verification is now required before money can be deposited into a detainee's account.
4. Are controls currently in place to detect potentially fraudulent patterns, including (a) repeated maximum-value deposits, (b) frequent deposits from the same payment source, (c) payments subsequently disputed or reversed and (d) unusual activity associated with particular detainee accounts.
5. Has the ACT Corrective Service undertaken any (a) audit, (b) review, (c) penetration testing and (d) fraud-risk assessment of the detainee banking system since 2023; if so, can the Minister provide the date.

1586 **MS CARRICK**: To ask the Minister for Planning and Sustainable Development —

1. Why is Tuggeranong, Kambah, Section 346, Block Number 59 classified as unknown on the ACTmapi Land Custodianship Map.
2. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the block referred to in part (1).

1587 **MS VASSAROTTI**: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services —

1. How many Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras are (a) installed in fixed locations in the ACT and what are their locations and (b) operating in the ACT, such as mobile or vehicle-mounted.
2. What data do the cameras referred to in part (1) capture, such as only vehicle numberplates or is additional data captured.
3. What is the legislative authority and governing legislation or regulation for the cameras referred to in part (1).
4. Have ANPR cameras resulted in false positives; if so, what is the rate of false positives.
5. Is all data captured by ANPR cameras retained in a database; if so, (a) for how long is the data kept and (b) what other rules govern its (i) storage, (ii) use and (iii) erasure.
6. How many times in the last 5 years have any entities outside of ACT Policing sought access to any ANPR database and for what purposes, broken down by which requests access was allowed or denied.
7. What is the most recent ANPR camera to be installed and what community consultation was undertaken in relation to the installation.
8. What is the cost of operating the ANPR network.
9. What is the cost of installing and operating an ANPR camera.
10. What are the plans for further rollout of ANPR cameras.

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