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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by JAMES MILLIGAN on 20 JULY 2023: MR IGLESIAS took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Public Liability requirements for clubs hiring sportsgrounds

MR MILLIGAN: Thank you, Chair. I have had a number of local residents raise concerns with me in relation to hiring out ACT government facilities for recreation or for sport or whichever purpose that they want. Has the government changed its policy in terms of public liability? Does that have to be supplied by the person hiring that facility? Obviously, clubs and associations, sporting groups, recreation groups most likely have that insurance, but the general public, if they are not part of a club or association—they will not have it. Has the government got a policy there where they are unable to hire that facility if they do not have public liability insurance?

Ms Kelley: Are you talking sports grounds specifically?

MR MILLIGAN: Yes, sports grounds, sports ovals, school halls.

Mr Iglesias: I would have to take that on notice. I know that most of the groups that we deal with do have their own public liability insurance. There is an initiative to investigate how government might be able to make small events easier to happen, but whether that extends to the sports grounds is a doubt in my mind, so I think the best thing to do would be to take that on notice.

YVETTE BERRY MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

No, the ACT Government has not changed its policy on the need for hirers to have public liability insurance and it still remains a condition for the hiring of sportsgrounds.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2023-2024

Signature:

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Yvette Berry".

Date: 21/8/23

By the Minister for Sport and Recreation, Yvette Berry MLA