

STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING Mr Johnathan Davis MLA (Chair), Mr James Milligan MLA (Deputy Chair), Mr Michael Pettersson MLA

## Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

QoN No - 48

Asked by Elizabeth Kikkert: To ask the Minister for Families and Community Services

Ref: Child and Youth Protection Services, Budget Statement G, p. 23, output class CSD 2.3 Child and Youth Protection Services

In relation to: Modernising the Children and Young People Act

- 1. Can the Minister please provide an annual breakdown of the three years of funding for the initiative 'Implementing legislative agenda Modernising the Children and Young People Act 2008'?
- 2. Will amendments to the Act occur throughout this process, or is the plan to modernise the Act in one go? If the former, when are the earliest amendments expected to be introduced by government?

RACHEL STEPHEN-SMITH MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

- 1. The 2021-22 ACT Budget released on 6 October 2021 provides a total of \$1,975,000 over three years towards *Modernising the Children and Young People Act 2008* (CYP Act). This is broken down into \$597,000 in the 2021-22, \$783,000 in 2022-23, and \$595,000 in 2023-24.
- 2. The Community Services Directorate is already undertaking work on a number of key legislative amendments, the first of which are anticipated to be introduced in the Legislative Assembly in 2022.

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By the Minister for Families and Community Services, Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA