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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Ed Cocks MLA: To ask the Minister for Industrial Relations and Workplace Safety

Ref: Budget Statement B, Table 3, p. 249

In relation to: Funding Growth

1. What are the reasons for the substantial increase in costs between the 2021-22 Estimated Outcome and the 2022-23 budgeted figure?
 - a. The Estimated Outcome is \$788,000 higher than the budgeted figure in the previous budget, why is that?

Mick Gentleman MLA: I am advised that the answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

1. The increase of costs between the 2021-22 Estimated Outcome and the 2022-23 budgeted figure is due to increased employee and superannuation expenses. This resulted from a new initiative to support increased licensing, compliance and enforcement activities through the Labour Hire Licensing scheme, and an incremental funding increase from the 2021-22 initiative to improve the operational efficiency and effectiveness of WorkSafe ACT.
 - a. Higher total expenses in the 2021-22 Estimated Outcome, compared to earlier budget allocations/figures, are due to higher than anticipated transfer expenses paid to the Territory Banking Account. This resulted from higher than estimated revenue collected from Labour Hire Licence applications.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2022-2023

Signature: 

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By the Minister for Industrial Relations and Workplace Safety, Mick Gentleman MLA