



Inquiry into annual and financial reports 2024–2025

Answer to question on notice

Asked by: Mr Thomas Emerson MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Education and Early Childhood

Reference: Education

Hearing: 17/11/2025

In relation to: Education and Asbestos sand

Question received: 18/11/2025

Answer Due: 05/12/2025

Is the Government pursuing compensation from retailers who sold asbestos-laden sand to public schools across the ACT for (a) the cost of these products and (b) the financial and other impacts of resultant school closures?

Ms Yvette Berry MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The Education Directorate is currently in the recovery phase of the incident management process responding to asbestos contaminated sand. Any compensation matters and financial impacts are included for consideration in this process.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Social Policy

Signature:

By the Minister for Education and Early Childhood, Yvette Berry MLA

Date:

10/12/25