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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND TRANSPORT AND CITY SERVICES
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Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
15 November 2018

Asked by Ms Nicole Lawder MLA:

In relation to: Training

1) for the appointed inspectors, what training and/or qualifications are required for:

- a. RSPCA
- b. Police
- c. ACT Government

Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

1)

- a. Under a service funding agreement with TCCS, the RSPCA ACT provide suitably qualified staff to be appointed as inspectors under the *Animal Welfare Act 1992* (the Act). RSPCA ACT staff appointed as inspectors undertake training in relation to the regulation of animal welfare.
- b. Police officers are inspectors for the purposes of the Act and do not require specific training or qualifications relevant to animal welfare.
- c. Under the Act, the Director-General of Transport Canberra and City Services may appoint a person as an inspector. ACT Government staff appointed as inspectors undertake training in relation to the regulation of animal welfare.

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Signature:

Date:

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By the Minister for City Services, Chris Steel MLA