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Question Taken on Notice (Committee)

Asked by: Mr Michael Pettersson MLA

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In relation to: AG Performance audit report 1/2023 and Interview process and assessment scale

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Mr Pettersson: And so, what does the assessment of that process, of that interview, look like? Is it a green tick, yes, they passed, or is it a red cross no they did not? Is it a scale or a scoring system?

Mr Lhuede: I will have that clarified. It is a pass/fail type approach. They are not scored. There is a minimum number of questions that they have to be able to address as part of an interview process on a one-on-one person. You know, that does obviously provide an opportunity to provide clarification in questioning and responses but, yes, each individual question will have an understanding or not understanding response.

Minister for Business and Better Regulation: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

Access Canberra, on behalf of the Construction Occupations Registrar (the Registrar), applies a pass/fail approach to the assessment of builder licence applicants under the *Construction Occupations (Licensing) Act 2004* (the Act). Whether an applicant passes or fails an assessment is determined by their online questionnaire and any subsequent answers and discussions that take place at the interview.

All interviews are recorded for quality assurance purposes and Access Canberra licensing officers can refer to these recordings for further assessment of whether an applicant answers each question satisfactorily. If one or more answers supplied by an applicant at interview are deemed unsatisfactory, the applicant is deemed to have failed the assessment set by the Registrar. This assessment outcome is considered by senior licensing officers and compliance officers with additional knowledge prior to decision.

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By the Minister for Business and Better Regulation, Tara Cheyne MLA