

## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY

### Tuesday, 12 September 2023

**The SPEAKER (Hon. D.R. Cregan)** took the chair at 11:00.

**The SPEAKER:** Honourable members, we acknowledge Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional owners of this country throughout Australia and their connection to land and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures and to elders both past and present.

**The SPEAKER** read prayers.

#### *Bills*

### APPROPRIATION BILL 2023

#### *Estimates Committees*

Adjourned debate on motion:

That the proposed expenditures referred to Estimates Committees A and B be agreed to.

(Continued from 31 August 2023.)

**Mr BASHAM (Finniss) (11:01):** I rise briefly to speak on this motion. The whole process of looking at the budget and getting into the detail is very important. Estimates is a wonderful way for the parliament to examine what is before it as far as the government's agenda goes and to look at the important things in the budget.

I say a big thank you not just to the two chairs of the two committees but to all the staff in particular for their efforts during budget estimates, whether it be in the chamber or whether it be in catering. All the staff have a pivotal role in making estimates work and making sure that the people of South Australia are able to examine what is being spent by the government of the day.

In my electorate, there are certainly things that I have concerns about the way we are progressing and that I want to make sure progress well. The upgrade of the emergency department at the South Coast District Hospital is an important investment in the region, where the commitment was made under the Marshall Liberal government with some federal government money from the Morrison government as well. It is important that we see that delivered as soon as possible and, pleasingly, it is my understanding that the works are not far away from starting, and it is important that we get on with them.

Another commitment by the Labor government was for a new ambulance station. I personally have concerns about its location—I have no concerns about a new ambulance station at all in Victor Harbor—particularly during peak periods. There are some traffic issues along the Victor Harbor Road as you come into Victor Harbor during holiday season, where the roundabouts clog up and the traffic moves at particularly low speeds. I have some concerns there and have been raising those with the minister.

Another important issue in my electorate that we need to look at is the roads and an investment in roads. Some of the state government regional roads in my electorate are in appalling condition. This year, we saw the Victor Harbor Road break up really badly in a couple of sections, where for a period of time a 40 km/h speed limit had to be introduced due to some damage in the road surface. People were blowing tyres in potholes, and more and more damage occurred through the lack of maintenance to this section.

An overtaking lane through Mount Jagged continues to be a problem, with significant potholes in urgent need of repair. We continue to see these develop every time there is a minor rain in this section. It is so bad that when I use the road I choose not to drive in that section of the overtaking lane anymore and drive in the other lane. It is in such poor condition.

Then we also have Goolwa Road. A section of the road, the first three or four kilometres of the Goolwa Road from the Victor Harbor Road, is very problematic. It is a section of road that I know well, as my family farm was on that road for many years until we sold it a couple of years ago. When I learned to drive, that was the first section of road I drove on as a 16 year old, so I certainly know it very well.

Over the years, I have had conversations about that piece of road with Highways Department workers, as they were then, particularly as they were upgrading the verges. I talked to one of the grader drivers and he made the comment that it was actually a lot safer to drive on the verges than it was on the centre of the road because of the investment that had occurred on the verges. They had put foundations under the road that were appropriate, whereas under the original road the foundations were very substandard, if there at all, so I very much encourage some investment in that piece of road.

Another piece of road in my electorate that I think is also highly problematic is Hindmarsh Tiers Road. That road is one of those roads where, back in November last year, there was a flash flood rain event that caused damage, particularly to the township of Middleton. It also caused damage at some of the river crossings and so on through the electorate, and one of those was on Hindmarsh Tiers Road.

That piece of infrastructure, unless it has been repaired very recently, still has not been repaired where the side railing was washed away. At the moment (or up until recently, if it has been done recently), there is just flagging there protecting people from the hole where the sidings were washed away. That is another piece of urgent work that has not been given the priority it needs.

It is very important for our communities that we maintain these assets going forward. The road network is so important, and certainly it is challenging through some of the high rainfall areas to maintain those roads during winter, but it is important that we do not let them deteriorate to the point that moisture can get through into the sublayers and rupture, causing potholes. It is much harder to fix the road once the potholes have been created.

It is also important that we keep investing in our regions. The Marshall Liberal government certainly had made a great amount of investment in my electorate during my time in government. In those four years, in the seat of Finnis we were very pleased to see investment of about \$130 million either committed or spent. There was some great infrastructure, important pieces of infrastructure, and one of those was the new causeway. One of the greatest assets Victor Harbor has is the connection to Granite Island, and to have that rebuilt and renewed with the new causeway, giving it 100 years of life going forward, was important for the community of Victor Harbor and the surrounds as a key tourist opportunity.

Some of the other plans included work on a master plan for Granite Island and the Bluff. We very much need to see where that infrastructure investment is going to occur in those two important locations on the Fleurieu. It is important that we make sure that the investment and the commitment to those areas are relative to their importance to the state. They are high tourist areas and we need to make sure they continue to deliver for the people of South Australia by attracting people not just locally but from overseas and interstate. It is important that we do that.

With those few words, I think it is important that we keep investing in the regions and I very much encourage the government to consider everything outside the metropolitan area with their spends.

**Mr BROWN (Florey) (11:10):** I am glad to speak in support of the motion to note the reports from Estimates Committee A and Estimates Committee B. I enjoyed the experience of attending estimates committees again this year, now for the second time as a member of the Malinauskas Labor government.

I would like to offer the view that this year's estimates represented another successful outing, inasmuch as the ministers of this government once again answered questions readily and came across as informed, responsible and competent in exactly the way that the people of South Australia quite rightly deserve. The substance of the work of the estimates committees is, of course, to provide opportunities to examine in significant detail the way in which public funds are being spent. It is an

important exercise in ensuring that probity and transparency are at the centre of all that we do in this place and in the other.

The policy initiatives that the figures examined through the estimates process represent and, very importantly, the outcomes for the South Australian community that will be the result of those initiatives are what I would like to draw attention to today. It is important to consider not only what money is being spent and how but what the estimates committees' reports tell us about the results that will be realised for our community out of that spending in the fullness of time.

The centrepieces of the budget—the initiatives that will produce tangible outcomes for the South Australian community that the people of my electorate and indeed the people right across our state have every reason to look forward to—are in the critically important policy areas of health, housing and cost-of-living relief. These are areas in which money must be spent to obtain a good result and they are appropriate areas of focus for the expenditure of public funds by the Malinauskas Labor government.

It is important to acknowledge that we have seen significant natural disaster events in 2022-23, which required a response across a range of government agencies to ensure the needs of the affected communities were met. These have made a substantial budget impact and quite rightly because in the event of natural disasters, be they fire, flood or otherwise, South Australians very reasonably depend on their government to respond appropriately to the circumstances by ensuring that the community's needs for disaster relief and recovery are met.

Responding to community need is exactly what the Malinauskas Labor government has worked to do, through a period that has seen significant flood events across River Murray communities. They were flood events that required active responses from multiple government agencies in order to support an ever-resilient part of the South Australian community in a moment of real need. The Malinauskas government is proud to support our people and our communities through such moments of difficulty and will continue to do so as circumstances demand, and as any good government ought to do and would do.

Few areas of policy are more important to our community in this moment of South Australia's history than health. This government continues to be keenly focused on making sure that we are not just working towards meeting the needs of our community today but anticipating those needs into the future. This is why we are investing an additional \$2.3 billion into our health system over five years.

Getting it right, as we can see in the reports of the estimates committees, can require substantial spending, but getting it right could not be more important for our community. You cannot shortcut your way to success when your goal is to make meaningful and consequential improvements to a health system that has been under significant strain for some time.

The addition of \$1.3 billion over five years to meet activity demand pressures in our hospitals, as well as to ensure our health system is appropriately resourced to deliver necessary services to South Australians now and into the future, is a reflection of the government's understanding that we were elected with a mandate to do this work and that whatever it takes to get it right is what our community deserves and it is what they will get from us.

We know that the pressures and challenges experienced in our hospitals that lead to bed block and ramping are complex and multifaceted. There is no single way to alleviate or eliminate these pressures, and that is why our government is working from multiple directions to address the factors that contribute to these phenomena.

One important element in the strategy represented in the budget is the emergency department avoidance hubs to be established in the western and northern suburbs at locations yet to be finalised. We see \$2.1 million in 2023-24 to fit out these facilities that will be based on the existing hospital avoidance and supported discharge service in Sefton Park and the complex and restorative service in the southern suburbs.

As a member of parliament for a northern suburbs electorate in which our nearby emergency departments are often under significant pressure, this government's investment in emergency department avoidance hubs is a positive step towards giving people in our community the option of

accessing urgent medical care locally without the need to present at a hospital. These facilities have the potential to provide an important health service offering that will help to address emergency department congestion. I look forward to the details being finalised and the initiative being rolled out for the benefit of my electorate and, indeed, people across the northern and north-eastern suburbs, as well as those in the western suburbs who will benefit from proximity to the clinic there.

The budget also allocates funding for some direct measures that offer strong potential to support the ability of our hospitals and their staff to address and alleviate hospital congestion. For example, we see \$27.6 million over four years to increase medical staffing in major metropolitan hospitals on the weekends, with the intention to enable an increase in the weekend discharge of patients who are ready to leave hospital.

Discharge of long stay patients has also been addressed with \$17.6 million over five years for individual patient in-home supports, such as short-term services, equipment hire and minor home modifications, in order to facilitate the discharge of long stay patients from our hospitals. Virtual care services are another avenue to easing pressures on our health system.

We see \$67.8 million over five years to expand virtual care services for adults across South Australia, and \$30.8 million over four years to permanently extend virtual urgent care services for children aged between six months and 18 years. The extension of these services will offer further healthcare service options for the South Australian community in a number of circumstances wherein people will benefit from the option of not having to present at hospital or at a general practice surgery.

It also offers potential as a useful and beneficial service offering for people living regionally and rurally, who might take advantage of virtual care services as a more frequent and more readily available alternative to having to travel some distance and, in many cases, having to travel quite a considerable distance to access necessary healthcare services.

I also welcome the \$20 million over three years in additional funding to support the delivery of our four new ambulance stations at Norwood, Woodville, Golden Grove and Edwardstown, and the complete rebuild of four existing stations at Campbelltown, Mount Barker, Gawler and Victor Harbor. This brings the total project funding for ambulance stations to \$70 million. I feel confident this investment will assist in getting ambulances to the South Australians who need them, in a quicker and more reliable time frame. Ambulance response times are a keen area of focus in our government's efforts within the health portfolio, and this investment supports that priority in a way that will provide benefit right across the metropolitan area.

Our investments in health represent our continued commitment to improving South Australia's health system, improving our hospitals and improving patient care outcomes at various points of contact with the system. We do this because those opposite, during the previous term of government, avoided that particular responsibility over four years and allowed our health system to experience stagnation and deterioration at a critical time in our history when, instead, health needed to be the greatest priority of policy and of public spending.

Another area in which South Australians are very acutely feeling the impacts of external systemic pressures is in housing. These pressures are certainly affecting the lives of residents in my electorate. Every South Australian deserves a safe and secure place to call home, whether as a private renter, a public housing tenant or a buyer on the private market. In relation to the latter, we do believe that the dream of owning your own home should not be out of reach for so many people in our South Australian community.

The stress that both renters and buyers are enduring in the current housing market is intense. The solution enacted by members opposite while in government, which was to do very little, did not work. The Malinauskas Labor government, by contrast, is taking decisive action for our community with a \$474 million housing package. We are building 564 new homes and halting the sale of a further 580 public housing properties. This is the first significant increase in public housing in a generation. It is a regrettable fact that over the past 30 years only during a single year has South Australia's overall public housing stock increased, and that was in 2014-15 when the overall number of public homes increased by six.

Especially amid the current conditions in the housing market, more public housing properties are badly needed. That is why the government is taking this step towards getting more South Australians into the safe and secure homes they need and deserve. Public housing is a very relevant concern to people across my electorate, which is one reason why I welcome this government's investment in and commitment to public housing in South Australia.

We also see \$1.7 million over four years to extend the Aspire homelessness program for a further 12 months to 31 December 2024, providing access for an additional 88 people who have experienced recurrent homelessness or are at risk of returning to homelessness. This is so important for some of the South Australians who are in the greatest need of assistance from a government that is prepared to do the work to support them.

Renters across South Australia are feeling the significant pressures in the rental market. That is why we are reforming residential tenancy laws; increasing the weekly rent threshold for six-week bonds from \$250 to \$800 per week; banning rent bidding, where prospective tenants are encouraged to offer above the advertised price; embedding better protections for tenants' rights and their personal information; and expanding eligibility for the Private Rental Assistance Program.

The budget also delivers substantial relief for first-time buyers on the private market, abolishing stamp duty for eligible first-home buyers looking to buy a new home valued at up to \$650,000, with relief progressively phased out for properties valued up to \$700,000. Stamp duty has also been abolished for the purchase of vacant land on which a new home will be built for land valued up to \$400,000, with relief phasing out for land valued up to \$450,000.

These measures are aimed at assisting over 3,800 South Australian first-home buyers each year, and perhaps this policy is already inspiring South Australians, because our state recorded the strongest new home sales growth in the nation for July, and not by a little—we recorded a 35 per cent increase, despite every other jurisdiction surveyed going down.

Our government is even making it easier for prospective first-home buyers to get finance. We are providing greater access to HomeStart's interest-free starter loan, increasing the annual income cap for the starter loan from \$65,000 to \$75,000 for singles, and from \$90,000 to \$100,000 for couples. HomeStart will also introduce a new home loan that enables eligible first-home buyers building a new home to take out a loan with a deposit of as little as 2 per cent, which represents an improvement on our election commitment of 3 per cent. These new HomeStart measures will help more South Australians achieve home ownership sooner, amid the challenging housing market conditions that we now see across our state and right across our nation.

Prospective first-home buyers may find it easier to take advantage of stamp duty relief and access to HomeStart's new home loan offerings, following the single largest residential land release in South Australia, with 25,000 new blocks of land being made available across Adelaide's northern and southern suburbs. This is good news for people in my electorate and for those across many parts of our state who are looking to achieve their aspirations of home ownership.

Cost of living is an issue that affects South Australian households and South Australian businesses profoundly. That is why there is significant action from the government to address the cost of living. In fact, we see \$471.3 million in cost-of-living relief for our community. We are increasing concessions; we see \$44 million over five years to increase existing concessions, along with higher inflation.

Government concessions, including the Cost of Living Concession, energy concession, medical heating and cooling concession, water concession and sewerage concession will all be indexed by 8.64 per cent in 2023-24, recognising the increase in the cost of living. This will bring much-needed relief to over 200,000 eligible South Australian households on low or fixed incomes, and there will be many such households in my electorate which I am sure will benefit from these measures.

We see \$32.1 million over four years to increase carer payments for family-based carers from 1 July 2023 to assist carers with the day-to-day costs of caring for a child or young person. This will benefit more than 2,600 family-based carers across our state. We see \$6.5 million over four years to expand the school breakfast programs in government schools, providing over one million

additional breakfasts to students, as well as \$12 million in 2023-24 to continue the \$100 subsidy to materials and service charges for the 2024 school year, benefiting the parents and caregivers of 120,000 government school students across our state.

Importantly, we see additional funding for non-government organisations, with \$57.2 million over four years to support organisations maintaining social services, community services, home care services, child protection, homelessness and disability services to vulnerable South Australians in the face of higher wage and inflation costs in 2023.

We also see \$5 million over four years in additional support for food relief organisations, such as Foodbank, and for the delivery of financial counselling services to assist those in need. These spending projections represent our understanding of how important it is to support the non-government organisations that are on the ground doing the work to help South Australians in need. These organisations are essential partners to the work of government, and they, too, are significantly affected in their ability to operate and provide services to those who seek them by the cost-of-living pressures we are experiencing in South Australia.

In another cost-of-living measure that will benefit a great many South Australian households and businesses, we see \$25.4 million over two years to go towards energy bill relief. More than 420,000 South Australian households are eligible to receive a rebate of up to \$500 on 2023-24 electricity bills, and approximately 86,000 small businesses are eligible to receive a rebate of up to \$650. Around twice the number of existing South Australian energy concession recipients are eligible for relief under the energy bill relief plan. This package will be delivered in partnership with the commonwealth, and we are fortunate at last to have the partnership of a commonwealth government that is in touch with the actual needs of the South Australian community.

Child protection is another very important area of policy, where we see a number of commitments represented in the reports of estimates committees. We see \$216.6 million in child protection early intervention services, including an additional \$109.5 million in response to the increasing number of children and young people in non-family-based care. Child protection is a salient issue for many residents of my electorate. We all want to see better outcomes for vulnerable young South Australians in this area of policy, and what we see in the report of the estimates committee demonstrates that the government is responding to the challenges in this area.

All over the sector, we see evidence of our commitment to improving child protection in South Australia. We see \$35.7 million over five years to increase targeted intensive family support services for vulnerable families, prioritising those living in the northern metropolitan region, such as in my electorate. This investment will make a real difference. There is the Strong Start program, where we see \$6.1 million over four years for family support services for at-risk first-time parents at the earliest opportunity and the earliest need, including connecting those South Australians facing parenting challenges to critical services.

To support better kinship care, we see \$4 million over four years to intensify efforts in assessing and recruiting extended family to care for children and young people. This will assist to increase the number of people available to provide care for children and young people in a family-based environment, because we know that keeping children cared for within their own families where it is possible is a good thing. On the other side of that, we see \$2.1 million over four years to increase the capacity for reunification services available to children and young people in care and their families, to get children back with their own immediate families when it is safe and in their best interest to do so.

There is \$3.2 million over five years to establish a peak body for Aboriginal children and young people to partner with government to reduce the over-representation of Aboriginal children and young people across the child protection system, including those in care. Because we must learn from instances where a child tragically comes to mortal harm, we see an across-government child death review model, with \$1.3 million over five years to establish that model. Immediately following the death of a child, the review process will ensure that relevant agencies conduct real-time clinical reviews of service provision and response.

We do this because we must ensure that, where a child's death does occur, we heed the lessons that we are able to take from that incident and we support the system to work towards better

preventing future such tragedies. I believe all this investment in child protection will be welcomed by my community and other communities in which we see vulnerable children, and where we know that better intervention, better services and better outcomes are all needed.

For residents in my electorate and others across our state who are interested in learning more about what the Malinauskas Labor government is doing to support job creation in South Australia, the reports of the estimates committees offer plenty of noteworthy content. There is \$186 million to strengthen our economy, including \$22 million in 2026-27 to increase the Economic Recovery Fund to a total of \$122 million, which will support initiatives that promote job creation, build advanced manufacturing capability and increase productivity and economic development opportunities across South Australia.

Also in the industry and innovation area, we see \$20 million over four years for the Research and Innovation Fund and that includes continued funding of the startup hub at Lot Fourteen. We see \$6.5 million over four years to deliver the South Australian Small Business Strategy, which will increase the skills capability and capacity of small business owners, supporting them to grow their businesses, create jobs for South Australians and build our state's economy. Promisingly, we see \$5.5 million over four years to support the implementation of the AUKUS submarine construction program. This is just the beginning of a journey that will bring many welcome benefits to the South Australian community and our economy.

All of these figures and the initiatives that I have discussed, along with a great many others represented in the reports of Estimates Committee A and Estimates Committee B, demonstrate the Malinauskas Labor government's keen understanding of the type of policy, the type of support, the type of action from government that will make a real difference to the lives of ordinary South Australians.

There is much more that I could expand upon, but I will seek other opportunities to speak about the excellent education and skills initiatives, more of the excellent job creation initiatives, the major events, sporting and arts initiatives, and so many others that have been highlighted in the estimates committees reports. This government is working hard to deliver results for the South Australian community and I look forward to the outcomes resulting from each of the initiatives I have mentioned today. I commend these reports to the house.

Debate adjourned on motion of Ms Clancy.

#### *Parliamentary Procedure*

### **NOTICES OF MOTION**

**The SPEAKER (11:28):** I advise that a notice of motion given on 1 June 2022 by the member for Playford pursuant to section 10(5b)(a) of the Legislative Instruments Act 1978 regarding the disallowance of a regulation titled Youth Treatment Orders—General made pursuant to the Controlled Substances Act 1984 was by error removed from the *Notice Paper*. I have directed it be reinstated under the heading Private Members Business, Committees and Subordinate Legislation, for Thursday 14 September.

#### *Bills*

### **STATUTES AMENDMENT (BUDGET MEASURES) BILL**

#### *Second Reading*

Adjourned debate on second reading.

(Continued from 15 June 2023.)

**Ms CLANCY (Elder) (11:29):** I rise today in support of the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2023, which seeks to amend all legislation relating to any budget measures in our 2023-24 state budget, a budget I am proud of, a budget that is focused on housing, health and cost-of-living relief. We know so many people in our community are struggling with the rising cost of living, a rise that is not being matched by an equal rise in wages. That is why this budget includes a number of measures to assist people with these rising costs.

There is \$44 million over five years to increase existing concessions in line with higher inflation. There is \$5 million over four years in additional support for food relief organisations, such as Foodbank, who have their headquarters just over the train line from my electorate of Elder in the electorate of Badcoe. Over 420,000 South Australian households are eligible to receive a rebate of up to \$500 on this financial year's electricity bills, and approximately 86,000 small businesses are eligible to receive a rebate of up to \$650 off their electricity bills.

Families will benefit from \$18.5 million in cost-of-living measures, with \$100 discounts to 2024 public school materials and service charges and more than a million additional meals through the school breakfast program. This is the third school year that the \$100 materials and service charge discount has been applied, bringing the total investment to \$36 million over three years.

The school breakfast program will receive a \$6.5 million boost, which is the largest investment of its kind in the state's history. It will see more than 1.4 million meals provided to South Australian children through breakfast programs at schools across the state over the next four years. I was really pleased to be at part of this announcement at the excellent school in my community Clovelly Park Primary School alongside principal Terena Pope, the Premier, the Treasurer and the Minister for Education.

Also in this budget is \$32.1 million over four years to increase carer payments from July this year to foster and kinship carers. This includes an extra \$50 per fortnight for general foster and kinship carers for each child or young person in their care under the age of 16 years as well as a 4.8 per cent boost to all carer payments to assist with growing cost-of-living pressures. We know family-based care is the preferred placement option for children and young people in care, so we need to do what we can to help these placements continue.

The increase in carer payments will assist carers with the day-to-day costs of caring for a child or young person, which all the parents and caregivers in here know can really add up. Increasing carer payments to better reflect the true cost of caring was a recommendation in Dr Fiona Arney's report of the Independent Inquiry into Foster and Kinship Care released late last year. I know it will help foster and kinship carers, who often reduce their working hours to enable them to care for vulnerable children.

While in the child protection space, I want to highlight another part of the budget, which I know did not get much airtime but which I am really proud of, that is, the Strong Start program. We have committed \$6.1 million for family support services for at-risk first-time parents as early as possible, including connecting those facing parenting challenges with critical services. This sort of early intervention work is so important if we are to have any chance of reducing the number of children entering care. It is the right thing to do for these children, their families and our communities. It is even better for our state's financial position in the short and long term, so no matter which way you look at it, this work is incredibly important and beneficial.

The four pieces of legislation proposed for amendment in this bill are the Emergency Services Funding Act 1998, the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000, the Land Tax Act 1936 and the Stamp Duties Act 1923—100 years ago. I would like to thank our Treasurer, his team and everyone at the Department of Treasury and Finance who has helped bring to this place a state budget that, as I have outlined, includes the largest cost-of-living relief package in South Australia's history.

As a key priority of this budget, the Malinauskas Labor government is committed to delivering affordable housing for South Australians at a time when the dream of owning your home feels even harder to reach. Almost one-third of the residents in my electorate of Elder are renters, a number which jumps to as high as two-thirds in some areas. Weekly rent varies with a majority of residents, according to Census data in 2021, paying between \$200 and \$500 per week on their rent.

Given the impact the Reserve Bank of Australia's consistent interest rate rises and corporate profit-driven inflation has had on the cost of living since then, it would be safe to assume that right across the country, including in my community, more Australians are renting, and they are paying much more for it.



We understand the real drivers behind the increasing cost of living and the proactive and positive role government can play in relieving this stress for South Australians. That is why the 2023-24 state budget delivers major long-term investments in health, housing, and reducing the impact of cost of living. As part of this state budget, the bill before us today seeks to amend the Stamp Duties Act 1923 to provide stamp duty relief for eligible first-home buyers. Inserted sections 71DD and 71DE explain how relief will be applied from stamp duty in respect of certain purchases of new homes and land.

Stamp duty will be abolished for eligible first-home buyers who are buying a new home valued at up to \$650,000, with relief progressively phased out for properties valued at up to \$700,000. For the purchase of vacant land on which a new home will be built, stamp duty will be abolished on land valued at \$400,000, with relief phased out for land valued at up to \$450,000.

To be eligible for this stamp duty relief, the new home must be occupied as the principal place of residence, similar to existing requirements for the First Home Owner Grant, under the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000. It is estimated that this relief will save up to almost \$30,000 for as many as 3,800 first-home buyers in South Australia each year. Part 3 of this bill seeks to amend section 7 of the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000, increasing the property value cap for eligibility for the \$15,000 First Home Owner Grant from \$575,000 to \$650,000.

I recently invited the Premier and Treasurer to meet with Vanessa, Tim and baby Fletcher, who are currently living with Tim's parents in my electorate in St Mary's while they are saving for their first home. In support of Vanessa and Tim, and families just like theirs right across South Australia, our stamp duty relief, when combined with changes to the First Home Owner Grant, provide eligible first-home buyers total relief of up to almost \$45,000 on the purchase of a new home.

But that is not all. The Malinauskas Labor government has also announced, in collaboration with HomeStart, a new lending product to allow eligible borrowers to build a new home with a deposit as low as 2 per cent. These initiatives, supported by the passage of this budget measures bill, provide immediate and substantial relief to South Australians pursuing the dream of owning their own home.

In addition to these measures to support South Australians purchasing their first home faster, we are also supporting tenants through residential tenancies legislation reform to make rental bonds more affordable, banning the practice of rent bidding, and protecting tenants' rights and information. Our plan for a better housing future includes building an additional 564 public homes, and stopping the planned sale by those opposite of 580 others.

It includes preparing around 700 additional affordable homes at Prospect, Bowden and Playford to be delivered under the National Housing Accord. It includes developing the former Adelaide bus station site on Franklin Street to deliver more than 130 social and affordable apartments. Our plan also includes delivering new housing developments for key workers in regional South Australia, and the single largest release of residential land in our state's history, delivering at least another 23,700 more homes in South Australia.

The bill before us today, in addition to all the relief I have just outlined, also includes further provisions to increase the supply of housing in our state. Part 4 of this bill inserts a new section, section 7A, into the Land Tax Act 1936 to introduce a 50 per cent land tax discount for eligible new build-to-rent properties. This discount reduces the land value of the parcel of land being used as an eligible build-to-rent property by 50 per cent until the 2039-40 land tax year.

The criteria for an eligible build-to-rent property include that a minimum lease term of at least three years must be offered to tenants to support more secure tenure arrangements. Regulations could outline further requirements to be deemed an eligible build-to-rent property, including but not limited to supporting the development of new affordable housing in build-to-rent properties and the minimum number of build-to-rent dwellings or units within a property. Build-to-rent projects where construction commences from July this year will be able to apply for this relief.

By supporting the uptake of investment in residential rental housing, we can further increase the supply of housing to create even more opportunities for renters. There is a lot to do, and I am proud to be part of a government that is doing it. I commend the bill to the house.

**Mr PEDERICK (Hammond) (11:40):** I rise to make a contribution to the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill, and I wish to indicate that I am not the lead speaker. The one thing I am very interested in is the amendment in regard to the Emergency Services Funding Act 1998 and the definition of 'emergency service'. It is about deleting the section that is:

- (v) a body or organisation that is a member of Volunteer Marine Rescue S.A. Incorporated—

and substituting it with—

- (v) a body or organisation accredited as a Volunteer Marine Rescue organisation by the State Marine Rescue Committee...

I certainly think this is quite relevant in the fact that we certainly need all the assistance we can with our emergency services. It is great to see some volunteer organisations get on board alongside our Metropolitan Fire Service, our Country Fire Service, our State Emergency Service, our surf lifesavers and others who do so much to protect life and property around our state and who also do work interstate and overseas when called upon.

I want to talk about a group at Milang that wrote to me. They formed the Milang Marine Search and Rescue Squadron. Obviously, Milang is on the banks of Lake Alexandrina. It has been a great pleasure to look after Milang for most of my career, but with the redistribution it is being well looked after by the member for Finnis. I want to go through what that group wrote to me, which I put forward to the minister, and I quote:

Dear Adrian,

My name is Jordan McAnaney, I am the captain of the search and rescue vessel Freemason as part of the recently formed Milang Marine Search and Rescue Squadron, located at Milang on the banks of Lake Alexandrina. The Squadron consists of local volunteers all of which live near and share a passion for the lower lakes. Plus, a huge amount of community following and support. The Squadron was formed after a gracious donation from Masonic Charities which gave us the opportunity to purchase one of the most capable boats on the lower lakes, equipped with some of the most advanced, state-of-the-art rescue technology, along with a shed in which to store it.

Private funding—

and I stress all private funding—

and many hours of skilled volunteer labour and effort has got us to our current position, but we are now seeking some assistance with funding to continue this ever-important service. Our Squadron has no fixed income and to date we have relied on fundraising along with financial help from the local yacht club in order to keep fuel in the boat.

Volunteers have been trying their best to raise money by cutting firewood, raffles and partnering with local wineries to sell their produce just so that we can keep our volunteer service running and our 'boat afloat'.

To date, we have responded to over 20 requests for assistance along with being 'on-station' for on water events at Milang, Clayton Bay, Goolwa and Meningie. Our training sessions have our volunteers covering almost every corner of Lake Alexandrina and Lake Albert. Lake Alexandrina alone covers 64,900 Ha yet we are the only rescue boat on the entire lake. The members of the Squadron, including myself are passionate about Lake Alexandrina and every member has spent ample time on, and in the lower lakes all of which are no stranger to her unforgiving nature. I am currently unaware of the total lives lost within the lower lakes, but should you speak with older generations that have long inhabited the banks of these lakes you would be told there should have been a rescue boat on Lake Alexandrina years ago, many lives would have been saved. With the last life lost recently in the summer of 2020/21.

'Lake Alexandrina is the finest sheet of fresh water I ever saw. Indeed, so formidable did it look, with a stiff wind blowing up quite a sufficient swell to make one seasick' (Edward Wilson, 1850). It has been well documented that the lake is a truly formidable body of water and yet until now there has been no rescue boat based on its shores.

I am writing to ask for your help for our charity in hope you can offer as much support as our service deserves. Our goal is to raise enough money to install toilets and showers within our facility so that our volunteers can be properly catered for. Having amenities would also mean we can hire our facility out to the community and host fundraising events for ourselves to generate some income. There are future possibilities for the Squadron to hire out our facility to the community, along with school camps etc as a place for water activities with an obvious emphasis on safety. Yet, we do not have a toilet facility and therefore are in no position to do so.

As Captain of the vessel, I couldn't be prouder of the crew we have put together so far, and I have absolute confidence in each member of the Squadron on the water. But the things that concern me are the lack of funding for adequate First Aid training along with furthering their skills and accreditations in marine operations/radio communications needed in an emergency and that when the day comes that we are not quite quick enough that my crew will have access to any support they need courtesy of the Squadron they volunteer their time to. To add to this there is also the maintenance and running costs of our vessel. I, along with many others, believe that this service is

essential to the safety of our lower lakes and that our community has an outstanding capacity to save lives and ensure the safety of our fellows on the lake, what we need is funding just as any emergency service needs from the government.

I would like to extend an invitation for you to visit our facility to meet with myself and our Squadron Commodore, Master 5 Chris Francis, along with current volunteers to show you the work that we have put in so far in hope you help us progress from the point we have already reached. Please make contact via return email or contact me on [the phone number], I look forward to hearing from you and hope we can have a chance to discuss our situation further.

Kind regards,

Jordan McAnaney

It was with much pleasure that one day I ventured down to Milang and joined the member for Finniss on this mighty rescue vehicle donated by the masonic society, and I acknowledge the Freemasons for their generous donation. I believe it would have been in the capacity of somewhere around \$300,000—a very, very generous donation and certainly a quite needed vessel and community emergency centre being established there in Milang. Yes, the lakes can look quite safe, but they are huge expanses of water, especially Lake Alexandrina with 64,900 hectares on its own. Too many times we have seen lives lost or put at risk because people, unknowingly, think it is just a gentle piece of water and, next thing, the weather blows up and all hell breaks loose.

We went out for a cruise on the boat, and I was very privileged to utilise my boat licence. We headed towards Raukkan—we did not go all the way across to the other side—and then came back, and it is a very capable vessel that can get up quite a speed going across the water. We had a good overview of how the boat runs, and its capabilities are well and truly up to conducting rescue activities on those lakes.

I wrote to Minister Szakacs, the Minister for Emergency Services, about what options there would be to get funding along the way. To this crew's credit, they are just asking for what they need: they want their facilities upgraded at Milang, but obviously they also want the running costs covered for the boat. They are quite happy, as a community of volunteers, to put volunteers on the boat and conduct operations when they need to. It was pleasing to get a response from the minister, and I will just go through it:

Dear Mr Pederick,

Thank you for writing to me on behalf of the Milang Marine Search and Rescue Squadron Inc (MMSRS) regarding funding assistance to continue marine operational services. After receiving your correspondence I asked the South Australian State Emergency Service...for advice in relation to this matter.

I am advised that MMSRS was established as a community group and is not part of the emergency services framework. Therefore, there is no facility to support the application. Notwithstanding this, the SES has informed me that there may be an opportunity for the MMSRS to become associated with the Victor Harbor Goolwa Sea Rescue Squadron, which is an established marine rescue association. Alternatively, it may consider registering as a satellite of an existing SES unit.

The minister trusted that this information was of assistance and wished them all the best in their endeavours.

I acknowledge that and thank the minister for his response. I know the member for Finniss is working with the squadron to follow up on their next steps, and I will certainly be following up on that progress as well. I would like to think that alongside that advice, and the changes in the budget measures bill, we can continue that fine level of service in the Lower Lakes region.

It is to be commended, as I said, that the Freemasons put up hundreds of thousands of dollars and that the volunteers are well and truly able to chip in. They been supplying not only their valuable time but also their own resources to make sure this vessel can assist those communities, whether it be right next to Milang or at Goolwa or Clayton or across to Meningie on Lake Albert.

This shows how important our emergency services are right across the board, whether it is staff or volunteers in any of the organisations. Obviously the Metropolitan Fire Service have people working for them full time, but they have also retained people working for them, and sometimes brigades are essentially retained brigades; some have a mix. Murray Bridge is a retained brigade and Mount Gambier has a mix. There are various versions around the state and, obviously, full-time

brigades in urban areas. These people put their lives on the line, and not just for people—in more recent days, there have been a couple of rescues of pets, which is commendable. Great work is being done, and also the Country Fire Service do great work right across the state with their 13,000 volunteers. I note the member for Waite was a member.

**Ms Hutchesson:** Is.

**Mr PEDERICK:** Is—I think I said 'is', didn't I? I hope I did. Anyway, she is a member of the CFS, as I am, and we are both very proud to be part of that organisation. The Country Fire Service do great work, and when you have big events, as I have seen multiple times—whether we as a group from our area can back up others or when there is a big event like the Yumali-Netherton fire and strike teams emerge from all over the state, whether from closer to the city and coming down, or South-East brigades coming up to assist—those many trucks and many volunteers coming on board to assist their communities are such a welcome sight. They do so much good work.

As I have said before in this place, our State Emergency Service, and their getting close to 1,800 volunteers, and all these groups are to be commended for the work they have done in looking after River Murray communities—from the volunteer efforts and the people on staff, right through to the leadership of these groups. These are people who just want to do their bit for the community, wherever it is.

The SES were activated the other day with seven breaches, breaches of levees and overtopping down in the River Murray. I commend them for being on call, and I also commend the locals who pulled in very quickly alongside some contractors to try to stop breaches and some of the problems with the overtopping water on those levees. It just shows that we need to be more vigilant in how those levees are managed. I commend those emergency services people who give up their valuable time.

We have recently seen firefighters go to Canada, as we have had Canadians come here, and we have had Americans come here and we have been to America as well with some of our firefighting teams. It is to be commended that we can not only help our interstate friends but help our international friends as well.

In regard to surf lifesaving, there are volunteers who work to keep people safe when they are in the water. We have a lot of visitors to this great state and this great country and sometimes they do not realise the trouble you can have in the water and the undertows that can come into play.

I can remember one day, a bit over a decade ago now, when my boys were a bit younger and we were off Goolwa Beach. The next thing, they were both coming past me with the tow threatening to take them out and I just caught one each side and walked them in. It is a good thing I have fair anchorage. You just have to be careful because you cannot see the treachery that is under the water. For surf lifesavers who come up through from the nippers—and many of them do lifetime service—making sure that people can swim and be safe in the water, it is truly commendable.

Part of the budget is to make sure that all our emergency services are appropriately funded and that bases like Strathalbyn, which we initiated when in government but was opened more recently, are up to speed. That is a great SES station there. When we were in government, we launched the new vessel at Murray Bridge (I will probably get the name wrong), the *Mulyawonk*. These things go across governments of every colour to make sure that we do have the best facilities and the best equipment we can get, and there is always a push to get more.

I note that over time nine airframes of various sizes are coming into our firefighting capacity. I certainly believe that in big events, the more planes or helicopters we can get in the air in a hurry the better, noting that it is the volunteers on the ground who finally mop it up, but the strike force you can get from aerial bombing can really take the heat out of the situation. Those are my remarks for the budget measures bill. We always need to fill in the gaps, as I indicated with the Milang rescue squadron, and I wish them all the best in their endeavours.

**Ms HUTCHESSON (Waite) (12:00):** I rise in support of the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill. Our government's 2023-24 budget is a responsible letter to our children and grandchildren. It is an email to millennials, generation Z and generation alpha and its message is that we are listening to what they need.

They need access to affordable housing both to buy and to rent, addressing the housing crisis that we are facing in a way that is fair, that encourages investment but that does not push the dream of owning their own home out of reality. Our plan for a better housing future is about making those dreams come true. The budget contains measures that not only provide relief from stamp duty for first-home owners but is also realistic about what it costs to build those houses.

We know that we have seen house prices skyrocket, and we are making the necessary adjustments to ensure the opportunity to access our initiatives applies to more people in more areas because we need our growth and our young people to be integrated into all our communities. It is their youth and enthusiasm that drive excitement and opportunity.

Specifically, some of the exciting initiatives of the 2023-24 budget seek to deliver on in regard to housing are abolishing stamp duty for eligible first-home buyers purchasing or building a new home; relief for those buying a new home valued at up to \$650,000, with relief progressively phased out for properties valued at up to \$700,000; or purchasing vacant land valued at up to \$400,000 to build a new home, with relief phasing out for land valued up to \$450,000.

We are not only retaining the First Home Owner Grant of \$15,000 but we are also increasing the First Home Owner Grant property value cap for eligible new homebuyers for properties valued at between \$575,000 and \$650,000 so they can now also access the \$15,000 First Home Owner Grant to assist with the purchase of their new home and the new HomeStart loan for first-home buyers building a home with as little as 2 per cent deposit.

The Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill contains amendments to relevant legislation to implement these measures. This bill introduces a 50 per cent land tax for discount for eligible new build-to-rent properties. The discount reduces the land value of the parcel of land being used as an eligible build-to-rent property by 50 per cent until the 2039-40 land tax here. The criteria for an eligible build-to-rent property include that a minimum lease term of at least three years must be offered to tenants to support more secure tenure arrangements.

Further requirements to be deemed an eligible build-to-rent property can be outlined in regulations, including but not limited to the minimum number of build-to-rent dwellings or units within a property and requirements to support the development of new affordable housing in build-to-rent properties. Build-to-rent projects where construction commences from 1 July 2023 will be able to apply for relief.

This reduction in land tax is designed to encourage investors to build affordable housing for our renters, those not ready to buy and those who do not want to buy. It is designed to increase supply to provide more opportunity for renters. We know that there is a shortage of rental properties and we are introducing these measures and the necessary amendments to legislation to create homes.

South Australia is bucking the trend nationally for new home sales. Let's be more precise: we are smashing the other states. In July, South Australia's new home sales jumped 35½ per cent. All other states were in the negative. Our measures and commitment to homebuyers are showing their merit. Back to our first-home owners, we are also providing stamp duty relief for those who enter into a contract to purchase a new home or vacant land to build a new home on or after 15 June 2023. In order to do this, we are amending the Stamp Duties Act through this bill.

Through these amendments, no stamp duty will be payable on the purchase of an eligible new home valued up to \$650,000, with relief progressively phasing out for properties valued up to \$700,000. For the purchase of vacant land on which a new home will be built, no stamp duty will be payable for vacant land up to \$400,000, with relief phasing out for land valued at up to \$450,000. There are some Ts and Cs to be eligible for relief. The new home must be occupied as the principal place of residence, similar to the existing requirements for the First Home Owner Grant under the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000.

This amendment will see stamp duty relief of up to \$29,580 being available for eligible applicants. That is a huge help when it is difficult to be renting and saving. We want more young people to be able to buy their first home, to chase the dream of home ownership, to create memories, to lay down their roots and to grow their families. The amendment we are seeking here today will

pave the driveways of our future generations so that they, too, can realise the opportunities that come from having a place to live that they can call their own.

Aside from these amendments, we are also seeking to make some changes to the Emergency Services Funding Act. The emergency services levy is incredibly important. It allows community members to contribute to emergency services to ensure that they are there when we need them. The money collected by the emergency services levy is placed into a dedicated fund, the Community Emergency Services Fund, for the exclusive use of the emergency services, including the Metropolitan Fire Service, Country Fire Service, State Emergency Service, Volunteer Marine Rescue, SA Fire and Emergency Services Commission, the rescue components of Surf Life Saving South Australia, South Australian Police Rescue and the State Rescue Helicopter Service.

We need a strong emergency service. We live in a country where we are constantly battling the elements, whether it is fire, flood or storms. We can get into trouble, and it is the good people of the emergency service who, without thinking, spring into action. They do not complain about having to pay the ESL themselves when they are the emergency assistance provider. As such, we need to ensure that everyone contributes to keep the service strong and well resourced.

The bill makes various amendments to the Emergency Services Funding Act 1998. These seek to allow the Commissioner of State Taxation to collect the emergency services levy from either a landowner or a private shack lessee. Currently, lessees of private shack sites are not specifically provided for as an owner from which the ESL can be collected, and notices of emergency services levy assessments are issued to the lessors as the owners of the land. Owners of some privately leased shack site groups have requested that RevenueSA sends separate ESL notices to the lessees of the shack sites, as the responsibility of collecting the ESL from some lessees can be burdensome.

Following the changes, owners of the privately leased shack sites could request the Commissioner of State Taxation to issue individual ESL bills to lessees, relieving the owner of the administrative difficulties of appointing, collecting and paying the ESL for their shack group, ensuring the ESL is shared by everyone, because anyone could need the assistance of the emergency services at any time. Nothing is stopping community members from contributing further to our emergency services and, with forecasts of a concerning bushfire season ahead, I know that the local CFS brigades are always grateful to receive donations from their local communities.

I will take this opportunity to encourage my community to not delay in preparing for the upcoming fire season. Clearing gutters and low-lying scrub and grasses and having a bushfire plan are essential. Consider joining the CFS in whatever capacity you can: whether you are able to hold a hose or not, there is a role for you.

The final amendment being sought, to change the reference to 'Volunteer Marine Rescue S.A. Incorporated' to a 'volunteer Marine Rescue organisation accredited by the State Marine Rescue Committee', is to be more in line with the current marine rescue arrangements.

These amendments allow us to deliver on only a few of our budget measures, but they are important. I commend the bill to the house.

**Ms SAVVAS (Newland) (12:08):** I have been incredibly proud to already speak several times in this house about our budget, and it is of course a budget that has been incredibly well received in my community in the north-eastern suburbs. It is a fair and balanced budget in many ways, and it tackles cost-of-living pressures in a balanced way.

There are lots of different things in the budget that I am particularly proud of. We are investing in child protection, something that is incredibly close to my heart; we are investing in at-risk parents; we are investing in our school breakfast program, which is something that I have seen a huge increase in demand for in my electorate over the last few months; we are investing in significant cost-of-living relief measures; and of course there is the key piece of housing.

Unlike many other electorates—and I noted before that the member for Elder talked about the high proportion of renters in her electorate—we in my electorate in the north-east are very much a mortgage belt. There is a small degree of movement between houses, and there is little to no public housing and very limited infill compared with other communities.

We have always valued home ownership in the north-east. It has always been, and I hope will continue to be, a place where home ownership—what I call 'the Australian dream'—is actually achievable. It has been achievable for many generations in the north-east. I am so pleased that this budget will continue to broaden those opportunities even further, giving more people the opportunity to buy their homes in the north-eastern suburbs, at a reasonable price as well.

I spoke last sitting week about my own housing journey and about the great equaliser for me that it is to live in a home that I own. My mum was the first in our family ever to have purchased a home. I remember all too well just how it felt and, of course, the reaction and the emotions from not just mum but all those in my family when we moved into her first home—which was a transportable fibro-style house at Windsor Gardens—when I was six years old. That meant for the first time in my mum's entire life she was in a house she had the right to stay in. That was, I believe, 51 or 52 in terms of the houses she had lived in. It was her 51<sup>st</sup> or 52<sup>nd</sup> home when she was finally able to live in a home that she owned.

She, like many others, was very much trapped in a rent spiral, living in public housing, co-op housing and private rentals for her entire childhood and the majority of her early adult life, including as a single mum with two kids (me and my older brother). My mum went to something like 13 schools; it might actually be more than 13 now that I think about it. Again, that was a direct product of her housing situation, the housing inequality that she, her siblings and her mum (also a single mum) found themselves in.

When I talk about those 13 schools, it is not like they were close together. It is not like they had the opportunity to make friends or build connections. At one point she started at Wirreanda high school in the southern suburbs, and in that same year she moved over to Banksia Park International High School in my electorate of Newland. She was moving across the state on a regular basis as a kid because housing was so insecure and they did not have the ability to have adequate housing as a single-parent family with four children.

For me, housing is so important—so important. There is nothing that I value more than the ability to have your own home. There is nothing that I actually value more in my own life than coming home to a house that is mine. I know that so many in my family never have and never will, and so many across our state never have and never will have the opportunity to own their own home, to know that security and that safety, and to decorate a home and put artwork on the walls.

I do remember mum saying to me when we moved into our house when I was six that everybody would get to have one hook in their bedroom so they could put something on the walls. I remember just what a huge moment that was for her, what it meant to her and the rest of my family, to have the opportunity to put a piece of artwork on the walls. It is something that a lot of us in this place and a lot of people generally might take for granted just what that means to be a home owner and put something in a house that makes it your own.

Our government of course knows that housing is a priority—not just to find people somewhere to live but to give people the opportunity to have dignity, to have safety, security and, of course, to leave the rent cycle. It is very much a cycle. We know that if people are not able to purchase a home straight out of living at home with their parents, for example, they will often be trapped in those cycles of continuing to rent, particularly with increased rent prices at the moment. It makes it harder and harder to save up a deposit to purchase a first home.

That was the cycle that my mum found herself in, moving out of home, being a single mum, having two young children. She was trapped in that rent cycle and found it almost impossible to purchase a home of her own. We know that in order to address that and to ensure that those cycles do not continue, we need to be assisting individuals to buy their first home. That is, of course, a very key part of our budget.

We are increasing supply at the same time—not just increasing supply but increasing it by a record amount, with land supply of over 25,000 blocks. We are investing not just in construction, not just in new buildings, not just in homes, but in people. We are investing in people's futures and giving them the ability, as I mentioned, that many would not have had, or would not have been able to have, had they not been given the opportunity to enter the housing market for the first time.

These measures introduce a few different things. One of the things that it makes changes to is the Land Tax Act 1936. It introduces a 50 per cent land tax discount for eligible new build-to-rent properties. This discount reduces the land value of the parcel of land being used as an eligible build-to-rent property by 50 per cent until 2039-40. It also, of course, provides stamp duty relief for eligible first-home buyers who enter into a contract to purchase a new home or vacant land to build a new home. It also increases the value of the house to which it applies.

Previously I have mentioned in this house my own journey into home ownership and how I benefited from a first home builders grant some years ago to build my first home in the Adelaide Hills. I have talked about the difference in progress and the changes I saw in a small community when I could at one stage point to a spot in a field where my house would eventually be and then within a year was moving into what is now a thriving community.

Since I have left that area, a new shopping centre has been built nearby and the community continues to thrive. That is exactly what we are doing with increased land supply: we are giving people the opportunity not just to build a home but for new communities to be built. I very much saw that in my experience of building my first home.

Our budget also allows the continuation of the first home builders grant, in addition to the stamp duty revocation for those eligible builders, which is really important because the opportunity is even greater to be able to get into that housing market. I know for a fact that without a grant like that I never would have been able to purchase a home. I was in a situation where I was very much going to be trapped in the rent spiral, not able to necessarily live at home, not able to support myself entirely while we were looking for places to rent and not having family support to assist in the purchase of the property.

That grant made a huge difference to me and it also stimulated construction, stimulated the local economy, and has made sure that later in life I am now able to own a home all on my own that I did not build, not relying on the assistance of that subsidy. It has been a really big game changer in my life, very much an equaliser, and I think it is important to talk about home ownership as an equaliser and what it does for opportunities in people's lives.

I know for a fact that now being in the place where I do own my home, I have opportunities that many of my friends, particularly friends my age, in their late 20s, will not be able to have. It is something that is said too often, that most of my friends do not think they will ever be able to buy a home unless a relative somewhere passes away and is able to assist them with a deposit on a home. I think that is a really sad state of affairs, that people generally do not see it as an opportunity, even in South Australia.

I think this is going a long way not just to assist those first home builders but, of course, to increase the supply here in South Australia. We know that we are lacking in homes and we know that this will make a huge difference to those communities calling out for extra properties. I hear it in the north-eastern suburbs that there are people wanting to be able to live nearby or people who are moving out of their family homes and wanting to have places of their own and are unable to access those properties because there just have not been enough of them. So I am very much looking forward to the continuation of these measures and to see what happens.

We do have one of those areas in my local community that has been earmarked for further development in Golden Grove, in the electorate of King. I know that increased construction in our community will have a really good impact on the local economy and the local community. As I said, I am incredibly proud of the different measures in our budget, particularly those that relate to housing. I know that it is something we will continue to prioritise, something I am proud to prioritise and proud to speak to my friends about when talking about their journeys to enter the housing market and, of course, my own journey, which often seemed like it was not a possibility for me to enter that market.

I would very much like to commend the bill and particularly thank our Treasurer and our government for continuing to invest not only in home building but in young people like me who are looking to enter the housing market for the first time because I think that makes a huge difference and paves the way for really equitable futures for those who would otherwise not have had them or perhaps did not have the family support or capital behind them.



**Mrs PEARCE (King) (12:19):** I rise to speak in support of the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill, which helps to implement some of the great measures that came about this year in our state budget, helping to deliver better outcomes and relief to thousands of people across our state.

I believe everyone in this place would agree that one of the most pressing challenges we currently have in this state is housing. Ensuring that we have enough supply, making sure that there is adequate protection for those in the rental market and getting more people to achieve their dream of buying their very first home are key desires that are certainly reflected by my local community.

I am so pleased that we are going to be taking active measures to address this, which is why we announced that we will support first-home buyers to achieve home ownership by abolishing stamp duty on new homes valued at up to \$650,000, or for those purchasing vacant land up to \$400,000 to build their very first home.

In conjunction with other initiatives to provide relief to first-home buyers, we plan to expand the eligibility of the First Home Owner Grant, providing a financial boost of \$15,000 for those trying to enter the market, and starting from 1 July next year we are opening applications for first-home buyers to apply for a home loan through HomeStart with as little as a 2 per cent deposit. This will wipe out the often long and arduous journey of saving up a 20 per cent deposit, which can often be quite the endeavour and takes years to achieve just to get a foot in the door.

I am absolutely confident that this support will make a significant impact. We are talking about almost \$30,000 in stamp duty relief in conjunction with a First Home Owner Grant payment of \$15,000. First-home owners can expect to receive a total relief from the state government of up to almost \$45,000. It is just one part of a comprehensive \$474.7 million housing package, which includes the single largest land release in the state's history and the first substantial increase to public housing in a generation. It is no surprise that these housing policies to increase supply and affordability has earned South Australia the top spot on the national HIA Housing Scorecard released in July.

Talking to many people in my community over this winter break, it is one policy area that I have been hearing absolute resounding support for, whether it be young people who are looking to purchase their first home, parents of young adults who want the foundations of secure housing afforded to their children or grandparents who understand the long-term financial benefit home ownership can bring.

It is something that many people are excited about following this year's state budget because they can all see that we are doing what we can to bring this goal a little closer, a little more obtainable, right at a time when many are just starting to believe that it was only a pipedream. Collectively, these amazing measures will have a tangible impact on the lives of many South Australians who aspire to purchase their first home. Easing the financial pressures associated with the up-front costs of getting into the market will help enable that dream to become a reality.

While the federal Albanese Labor government is doing what it can to advance the much-needed Housing Australia Future Fund, which this week has finally made its way back through the federal parliament, we as a state government are also doing what we can to get more people into homes because we believe that there is no time to waste. All South Australians should have a place to call home, and I am pleased to hear that, following the national cabinet, the commonwealth government will deliver performance-based funding to rapidly boost housing supply across the country.

To ring off a few of the ways that we are making moves in housing, we have initiated one of the largest ever land releases this state has seen, which will open opportunity for the construction of 25,000 additional homes and pave the way for over 50,000 South Australians to achieve the dream of home ownership. In fact, consultation has just finished in my local community regarding this very matter about which I am keenly engaging with my constituents to help ensure that we get the best outcomes possible.

I am also pleased that we are embarking on building 700 additional affordable homes in Prospect, Bowden and Playford, as well as pushing ahead with the construction of 130 social and

affordable apartments at the Franklin Street bus station site in the city. Together, these initiatives combine to push forward our commitment to helping address the housing crisis.

This bill also seeks to amend the Land Tax Act by introducing a 50 per cent land tax discount for eligible new build-to-rent properties, discounting the land value of the parcel of land being used to build eligible build-to-rent properties by 50 per cent until the 2039-40 land tax year for projects where construction has commenced from 1 July this year, able to apply for relief. Eligibility will extend to build-to-rent properties that include a minimum of at least three years being offered to tenants, which will support more secure tenure arrangements for tenants and is intended to support additional investment in residential rental housing, increasing the supply of new affordable housing in build-to-rent properties.

Safe to say, we have taken a fair approach when it comes to land tax, both in this term of government and during our time in opposition. We have opposed regressive changes in the past that we believed were unfair: changes that hurt local jobs, hurt small business and drove up rents. Our Premier has made it clear that we need to make sure we have a state economy that creates and supports local jobs. We want to do things that help small businesses in our state because we know that supports jobs.

Speaking about jobs, we are going to need workers who can build these homes and, whilst we have a housing crisis on one side, we also need to ensure we have skilled workers to deliver on these big projects that our state is being called to undertake. In line with this understanding, we have announced that high-demand industries which include trades critical to filling our housing commitments—such as bricklaying, concreting, electrical and other essential trades—will share in a \$2.45 million investment through TAFE SA to develop new courses and support more students to study in these areas. We will be delivering almost 100,000 vocational education training qualifications to continue to try to meet the skills demand.

This bill will also amend the Emergency Services Funding Act to allow the Commissioner of State Taxation to collect the emergency services levy from either a landowner or a private shack lease. Currently, lessees of private shack sites are not provided for as an owner from which the ESL can be collected. Following owners of some privately leased shack site groups requesting RevenueSA send ESL notices to the lessees, these changes will allow for owners of privately leased shacks to request the Commissioner of State Taxation to issue individual ESL bills direct to the lessee of the shack site.

The ESL is important, as it directly funds the community emergency levy fund, which is there for exclusive use by our emergency services personnel to help fund the operations of our MFS, CFS and SES. This includes operational costs and the purchase of new assets such as buildings, fire appliances, tankers and other vehicles, like the brand-new truck at the Tea Tree Gully SES I was happy to suss out with the member for Wright and the member for Newland earlier this year. It also includes appliances like new ICT equipment, which we are proud to have secured for the Salisbury SES last year.

The ESL helps to ensure support is provided to all South Australians in myriad ways. This update will help ensure it is generated in a fair and equitable manner. With that, I commend the bill to the house.

**Ms HOOD (Adelaide) (12:27):** I, too, rise in support of the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill. The 2023-24 budget is a budget that was focused on the government's priorities of a sustainable and efficient health system, more affordable housing, assistance towards cost-of-living pressures and providing better public services for South Australians. This bill contains amendments to relevant legislation to implement measures announced in the budget and other administrative amendments, including:

- introducing a 50 per cent land tax discount for eligible new build-to-rent residential construction projects. The discount will reduce the land value for land tax purposes by 50 per cent to the 2039-40 land tax year for eligible projects;

- providing stamp duty relief for eligible first-home buyers on the purchase of new homes valued at up to \$650,000 and a corresponding increase to the First Home Owner Grant property value cap; and
- various administrative amendments relating to the emergency services levy.

I wish to speak on the amendments relating to the Stamp Duties Act and the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act, which I believe are important amendments in allowing more South Australians, particularly young South Australians, to realise their dream of home ownership. The bill amends the Stamp Duties Act to provide stamp duty relief for eligible first-home buyers who enter into a contract to purchase a new home, or vacant land to build a new home, on or after 15 June 2023.

No stamp duty will be payable on the purchase of an eligible new home valued at up to \$650,000, with relief progressively phasing out for properties valued at up to \$700,000. For the purchase of vacant land on which a new home will be built, no stamp duty will be payable for vacant land valued up to \$400,000, with relief phasing out for land valued up to \$450,000. To be eligible for relief, the new home must be occupied as the principal place of residence, similar to existing requirements for the First Home Owner Grant under the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000. Stamp duty relief of up to \$29,580 will be available for eligible applicants under this really important measure.

The bill also amends the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000 to increase the property value cap for eligibility for the \$15,000 First Home Owner Grant from \$575,000 to \$650,000. When combined with the new stamp duty relief, an eligible first-home buyer could now receive total relief of up to \$44,580 on the purchase of a new home valued at up to \$650,000.

I credit being able to purchase my very first home to a similar policy of the former Weatherill Labor government. In 2015, I was able to access the off-the-plan apartment stamp duty concession, which, combined with the First Home Owner Grant, gave me the ability to purchase a two-bedroom apartment in the Ergo Apartments development in the CBD in Sturt Street. It was a game changer for me and my former partner, as we never thought we would be able to own our very own home, let alone be able to purchase one in our late 20s and early 30s. Fast-forward eight years, and the Malinauskas government is going even further in ensuring young people can achieve this dream, with the policy expanding for the first time to deliver stamp duty concessions to new homes or builds across the state.

We are also undertaking a massive land release of 25,000 blocks in Adelaide's northern and southern suburbs. For first-home buyers looking to build their first home, this residential land release will give them an amazing opportunity to purchase a block and use the policies around abolishing stamp duty, along with the First Home Owner Grant, to build their very first home, to have a backyard, to have open green space and perhaps to start their own family, in which case I highly recommend getting a trampoline early so that you can get your money's worth.

It is important to note that these concessions and grants do not come without hard work on the part of the applicant. I am proud of the hard work my former partner and I did in saving every single dollar of our deposit ourselves and then, backed by a Labor government, we were able to realise our dream of owning our own home. I remember the commitment and discipline it took to save for a house deposit, and I commend those currently doing the hard yards.

But a deposit is only half the puzzle. What prospective first-home buyers also need is options. On the weekend, I was proud to join the Premier and the planning minister at the site of the development Prospect Corner, which will deliver 180 new homes near my electorate in the community of Prospect. Importantly, 55 per cent of those homes will be affordable—townhouses for affordable purchase or apartments for affordable rent.

Importantly, that development will also include open green space and three reserves, and that is based on feedback from local residents and also from local primary school students. It will include barbecue areas, green space and a nature play area for children. This is something I am incredibly passionate about and will complement the pocket parks that I fought hard to deliver in my community at Main North Road, opposite Scotty's Corner; at the beginning of Churchill Road; and an additional two pocket parks just across the railway in the Premier's electorate of Croydon.

As well as Prospect Corner, in my community we are also delivering a development at the old Franklin Street bus depot. That will be an almost 400-apartment community, many of which will be affordable homes for rent or purchase. These options are critical for prospective first-home buyers because, as I was saying earlier, it is not just the deposit you need; it is the option to go out and look at what home would best suit you and then put in your best offer.

I also acknowledge those for whom even the goal of saving for a house deposit really is just not feasible. That is why we are investing heavily in our public housing system and improving the rights of and affordability for renters. We are undertaking a massive investment in public housing, and it is really pleasing to see the developments at the federal government level today regarding investment in housing and getting the support of the parliament to pass that housing bill.

It is a generational investment. It is an extra 1,140 public homes we are undertaking as a state government. We are doing this by stopping the sale of 580 homes that would have occurred under the former Liberal government. We are building an extra 564 new public homes, and I understand that this is one of the most significant increases in public housing that we have seen in the last decades.

We are also making significant inroads in increasing the rights of renters by providing rent assistance to more South Australians, making residential tenancy bonds more affordable and banning rent bidding. At the last sitting of parliament I was very proud to join our minister, Andrea Michaels, and one of my local constituents, Ariba, in announcing that a ban on rent bidding would now come into effect, and people found to be undertaking rent bidding would be facing fines of up to \$20,000.

I first met Ariba after she had moved to South Australia. She moved here from Melbourne and, whilst trying to find a rental property, kept experiencing rent bidding. She would rock up to a rental inspection and find herself at a silent auction instead, where you did not know the weekly cost of renting that particular home. It is not just a waste of time; it is incredibly disheartening when you are trying to find a home for your family but you are really completely blind as to how much that house is going to cost you.

I am really proud to be part of the Malinauskas Labor government whose 2023-24 budget is making significant strides in ensuring more South Australians have a place to call home. I commend this bill to the house.

**Ms THOMPSON (Davenport) (12:36):** I rise, too, to speak on the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2023. This bill seeks to amend four pieces of legislation to deliver on commitments made in the Malinauskas government's 2023-24 state budget. Legislation due for amendment includes the Emergency Services Funding Act 1998, First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000, Land Tax Act 1936 and the Stamp Duties Act 1923. The reason for a change is simple: we are investing in the future of our state. We are creating opportunities for industry and we are presenting young families the opportunity to break into the property market and purchase their first home. Why? Because we want roofs over heads.

That concept is a cornerstone of our state budget which delivers record investment in public housing, seeks to strengthen protections for people living in rental properties and has already provided young families with much-needed stamp duty relief. Every family deserves a home and every family also deserves access to a healthcare system that works for them. That is why we are delivering on our commitments to open more than 550 new beds, to build a new headquarters for the SA Ambulance Service, to commission a State Health Control Centre and to realise the potential for a bigger and better Women's and Children's Hospital.

Specific to my electorate of Davenport is the \$400 million upgrade and expansion of the Flinders Medical Centre. This critical health infrastructure project jointly funded by the Malinauskas and Albanese governments drives at the heart of all we committed to at the 2022 state election. Yes, this program will deliver more than 160 beds across Flinders Medical Centre and the nearby Repat Hospital; yes, there will be an increase in specialised capability through an expansion of the Margaret Tobin Centre and upgraded imaging and engineering services; and, yes, patients can expect serious privacy and infection control improvements through the creation of new private rooms—but this investment is about so much more.

This investment—and the same can be said across the whole of South Australia's health network—is as much about the people who work at the Flinders Medical Centre as it is about the patients. We want to give our health professionals, doctors, nurses, allied health workers, you name it, the tools and the space they need to do their jobs properly. We want them to work in facilities that are becoming of their craft, we want them to work in comfort and we want them to leave work at the end of their shift and look forward to coming back the next day.

It takes a special person to work in a health setting, and that person deserves to be treated as such. Looking back at our work in the housing space, among the most important measures included in the 2023-24 state budget is stamp duty relief for eligible first-home buyers. This government has recognised the need for serious tax reform to help families and young people enter South Australia's booming property market and purchase their first home.

First-time homebuyers making the decision to build are now receiving stamp duty relief on the purchase and construction of residential properties valued at up to \$700,000. For those looking to purchase vacant land, relief is available on blocks valued at up to \$450,000. This is a game changer not just for people living in my electorate but for people looking to purchase right across the state. Governments, be they federal, state or local, cannot afford to sit on their hands any longer. The demand is there, and we are committed to enacting policies to see that demand met.

We are working with all levels of government to ensure no stone, no matter where it might be, is left unturned. This is about creating opportunity for the person and opportunity for business, and both have taken the chance immediately; in fact, the HIA New Home Sales Report saw new home sales in SA jump over 35 per cent in July alone. Every other surveyed state across our country experienced decline during this same period, but South Australia has bucked the trend, defied the downturn and will be better for it.

Support for first-home buyers forms part of a \$474.7 million package that will assist in the delivery of 3,600 new homes over five years. This multifaceted package also includes South Australia's largest ever land release and looks to strengthen the rights of people living in rental properties, the latter supported by the state government's review of the Residential Tenancies Act. Rental property tenants have a right to feel at home, and the government is progressing legislation to see that right appropriately recognised.

Unless exceptional circumstances present, families should not have to choose between their pet and a place to live. Families should not have to decide whether they put dinner on the table or scrounge their pennies to meet excessive and fast-increasing rental bonds. I am pleased for the most part that we have landlords right across South Australia who already recognise this, who take their role as housing providers seriously, who want to strike a reasonable balance between securing a return on their investment and assisting in increasing our state's housing supply.

Good people are at the heart of each of these policies, and I am thankful that equally good people are prepared to help us deliver on this government's housing agenda and drive this state forward. Pleasingly, in the Albanese federal government, we have a partner that is as ambitious as we are. In Canberra, we now have a federal government that is capable of meeting this moment, making the tough decisions and pulling every lever at its disposal to see that each Australian and South Australian has the quality of life that they deserve.

Since my election to this place, there have been few moments that rivalled the Sunday sitting of state parliament on North Terrace as South Australia's First Nations Voice was written into law. We have an opportunity now to extend that recognition to Indigenous people living in each and every corner of our nation. We have an opportunity to consult with an elected body of Indigenous people on these same matters—health, housing, education—and we have an opportunity to see that this body is enshrined in our constitution, that it can provide advice to parliament on matters important to their communities whenever that advice is required.

The time is now, and my family and I look forward to voting yes on Saturday 14 October. I also look forward to seeing South Australians benefit as we deliver on the commitments made in the Malinauskas government's 2023-24 state budget. I commend this bill to the house.

**S.E. ANDREWS (Gibson) (12:43):** I rise to speak on the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill 2023. This Malinauskas Labor government is tackling the housing crisis on multiple fronts. We are doing this through releasing land, constructing new public housing properties, rental reforms and through the measures in this bill to make it easier for South Australians to enter the housing market. We have wasted no time in supporting those who are ready to make the transition from renting to owning their own property.

This bill implements the government's changes to stamp duty for first-home buyers. The 2023-24 state budget abolishes stamp duty for first-home buyers who purchase a new home valued at up to \$650,000 or vacant land valued at up to \$400,000 to build a new home. Most first-home buyers should be able to find a property that meets their needs within this threshold, even with the price rises that we have seen in recent times.

The abolition of stamp duty for singles, couples and families will see a saving of up to almost \$30,000 for new homebuyers, which takes the pressure off saving that additional amount for your home deposit. Whilst this is good news for our state, it is only the beginning. This bill also amends the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000 to extend the First Home Owner Grant and increases its property value cap from \$575,000 to \$650,000. The First Home Owner Grant is available to eligible first-home buyers who build or buy a new home.

Increasing the property value cap by \$75,000 reflects the significant increase in land and building costs that I mentioned earlier and more closely aligns the grant with Adelaide's median house price of \$675,000. The grant is another \$15,000 that buyers do not have to pay, so we are now at a total saving of \$44,580 which, compared with the annual median earnings in South Australia of \$58,500, is a significant saving for first-home buyers.

It is estimated the measures will benefit 3,800 first-home buyers a year, and by abolishing stamp duty for new builds only and not increasing demand for existing homes this government is encouraging the supply of new housing with the intention of also taking the pressure off our tight rental market. Encouraging new house builds is expected to provide important support to the building industry, which has started to slow as the COVID stimulus spike subsides and ever-high interest rates slow demand.

We have seen devastation and heartbreak across the nation as construction companies have collapsed. We want a strong construction industry in South Australia where tradespeople can work and young families can move into new homes. We have received good news in South Australia, as we bucked the national trend for new home sales, recording a 35½ per cent increase in July while other states fell by between 0.6 and 11.6 per cent.

The good news continues in this bill, with the Labor government delivering a low deposit home loan scheme for first-home buyers building a new home. The new first-home buyer construction option will allow first-home buyers to borrow to construct their first home with just a 2 per cent deposit, improving on our initial election commitment of 3 per cent—overdelivering because we know it is tough in our community. Two per cent could be as low as \$10,000 on a \$500,000 loan, compared with the usual 20 per cent or \$100,000, so that is another saving of \$90,000 for a total up-front saving of \$134,580.

The lending criteria will align with the existing Graduate Loan requirements, with the commencement date of 1 July 2024. Unlike some commercial lenders, HomeStart does not require borrowers to take out Lenders Mortgage Insurance, another saving that can sometimes add up to \$10,000 to the cost of purchasing a home.

These new homes that we are building will be right across the metropolitan area. In the north, there will be 10,000 homes at Dry Creek, 10,000 at Concordia and 500 at Golden Grove. However, those lucky enough to live in the best part of Adelaide, in the south, between the sea and the Hills, will see 2,000 homes at Onkaparinga Heights, 1,700 at Sellicks Beach, 800 at Aldinga and 600 at Noarlunga Downs. This will be in addition to the large-scale construction currently underway at Gawler, Mount Barker, Seaford Heights, Two Wells, and in the City of Playford, plus the infill development across metropolitan Adelaide.

This bill provides for a reduction in taxable value for certain build-to-rent properties by 50 per cent: the building must be situated on the land, construction of the building is commenced on or after 1 July 2023, the commissioner is satisfied the building is being used for a build-to-rent property, and the owner applies for the reduction.

Additionally, the building, and the use of the building as a build-to-rent property, must comply with all requirements applicable under the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016, and, importantly, each tenant of the build-to-rent dwellings or units in the property is offered on a genuine basis a lease with a term of not less than three years.

In addition to this, we are delivering the first substantial increase in public housing in a generation, building an additional 564 public homes and stopping the sale of 580 others. There are new homes being constructed in Gibson across Brighton, Marion and Seacombe Gardens and we are delivering 700 additional affordable homes under the National Housing Accord. We are developing 111-129 Franklin Street in the city to deliver more than 130 social and affordable apartments; delivering targeted reforms to rental laws, including a ban on rent bidding; and delivering new key worker housing through a new Office for Regional Housing in Renewal SA.

Additionally, we are extending the Aspire homelessness program, which provides intensive case management for people who have experienced recurrent homelessness or are at risk of returning to homelessness. This is in addition to our broader support for homelessness provided by this Labor government.

I would also like to briefly mention a recent initiative held at the SA Aquatic Centre, where for one night last month they provided warm beds, free haircuts, health support, clothing and food for our local homeless community. It might have been a one-off event, but it certainly helped people in our community experiencing homelessness to connect with services on an ongoing basis.

Of course, there is the wonderful work at St Jude's Church—instigated by Paul, who is currently in the running for a Westfield Star award—where they provide a community meal every Friday lunch to anyone in our community who would like a free meal. It is three courses and an impressive serving and, importantly, it is also an opportunity to connect and chat with people. It is not about the photos and it is not about the socials; it is about being in our community and serving those who need it most. I commend the bill to the house.

**The Hon. N.D. CHAMPION (Taylor—Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Housing and Urban Development, Minister for Planning) (12:51):** It is a great pleasure to speak on this bill, which is yet another piece of legislation—another action—that is designed to provide supply into a housing market that everybody knows is in absolutely dire shape. It is not an exaggeration to say there is a housing emergency across the country. This has been building for a long time. The combination of previous governments turbocharging demand while restricting supply has led us to this moment.

This government has been very focused on making sure we get the right solution to this problem, which is that we want to make sure there is supply into the market, and that is supply of public housing, supply of affordable rental, supply of affordable sale and supply of market sale, which is across a range of categories so as to actually be able to cater for people at their different points of life and obviously at different income levels. This is a government that really does care about housing.

This bill amends multiple acts of parliament and assists first-home buyers who are purchasing or building homes under a threshold and saves them tens of thousands of dollars in government taxes in a really important initiative by the Treasurer—by the government—to make sure that the next generation has a stake in society. We do not want, and the Labor Party opposes, the idea that one generation should be stuck permanently in rental for the rest of their lives. We want them to have their share of the great Australian dream, which is to buy a home, have a family, live their lives, get a job and contribute to society. We know that home ownership is absolutely critical to people contributing to their community.

Eligible first-home buyers who purchase a new home or vacant land to build a new home from 15 June this year get that tax saving. Homes valued up to \$650,000 will not require stamp duty to be paid and stamp duty relief is phased out for properties valued at up to \$700,000. As I said

before, it is a really important initiative for first-home buyers. For vacant land priced up to \$400,000 where a new home is to be built, no stamp duty will be required to be paid, and stamp duty will be phased out for land value up to \$450,000. Importantly, the new home must be the principal place of residence. We want to make sure that the people who avail themselves of these tax benefits are eligible, and I think that is something that the community would like to see.

That helps the individual new homebuyer. We think that that is a really important thing to do, and it builds in really important supply into the market. If you look at what the government has done with its land release, it is the biggest land release in South Australia's history. There are 10,000 new homes at Concordia, 10,000 at Dry Creek, 2,000 at Hackham and 1,200 or so at Sellicks. We have done more than that: we have initiated code amendments in Goolwa, Murray Bridge, Golden Grove, Kidman Park and a whole range of other areas to push supply into the market.

We understand that land supply is critical to the availability of housing going forward. We know that the previous government did not do anything like that in this space. It released just 185 hectares in four years while watching the federal Liberal Party in government under Mr Morrison pour kero on a raging fire, pour cash in on the demand side, and we see the consequences in the housing market today and indeed every day. We want to push supply. This goes hand in hand with supply. It sensibly, I think, gives first-home buyers a tax break.

We are also amending the legislation to make sure that there is a 50 per cent land tax discount for eligible new build-to-rent properties. That has the effect of reducing the value of the land by 50 per cent until the 2039-40 land tax year. To be eligible for the discount, construction of build-to-rent projects must commence from 1 July this year. That is of course targeting a really critical segment. Build-to-rent has not been present in the South Australian marketplace.

Institutional investment in the rental market going forward is a particularly useful supply-side mechanism to help relieve pressure in the rental market. Build-to-rent will be a continuum. It will be in some segments for affordable housing, but it will also be housing for young professionals. It will be housing for people who are coming here to work.

Earlier this year, I had the great pleasure to announce that the US firm Sentinel will be building a build-to-rent development in the heart of Bowden. It is a \$100 million building. In this case, they will benefit from the tax break that has been put in place here. This will be a first. It will be 12 storeys high with 250 rental accommodation options, targeting a green, carbon neutral certification with a minimum five-star green rating. It will have long-term leases. Most importantly, it will have amenities like a fitness centre, swimming pool, rooftop gardens, barbecues, bike storage, EV charging stations and pet washing facilities.

As I said before, it is really important that we get a continuum of rental supply. It is important to provide affordable rental projects. On Sunday, I was in Prospect announcing 72 rentals, which will be run through a community housing provider, priced at 75 per cent of market rate. The advice I received is that it would save people around \$118 a week, which is over \$6,000 a year. That is the sort of affordable rental project that will help to depress prices at the bottom end. What will help depress prices overall is a continuing rental supply in every segment of the market. I seek leave to continue my remarks.

Leave granted; debate adjourned.

*Sitting suspended from 12:59 to 14:00.*

## **SECOND-HAND VEHICLE DEALERS (MISCELLANEOUS) AMENDMENT BILL**

*Message from Governor*

Her Excellency the Governor, by message, recommended to the house the appropriation of such amounts of money as might be required for the purposes mentioned in the bill.

*Parliamentary Procedure*

### **ANSWERS TABLED**

**The SPEAKER:** I direct that the written answers to questions be distributed and printed in *Hansard*.



**PAPERS**

The following papers were laid on the table:

By the Speaker—

House of Assembly—Register of Members' Interests—Ordinary Returns—Registrar's Statement—June 2023 [Ordered to be published]

By the Premier (Hon. P.B. Malinauskas)—

Remuneration Tribunal—Report No. 5 of 2023—2023 Review of the Common Allowance for Members of the Parliament of South Australia

By the Minister for Climate, Environment and Water (Hon. S.E. Close)—

Co-Management Board—Gawler Ranges Parks—Annual Report 2022-23  
SA Water Corporation—Ministerial Directions—31 October 2022 and 30 June 2023

By the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport (Hon. A. Koutsantonis)—

Regulations made under the following Acts—  
Road Traffic—Miscellaneous—Motor Bike Helmet

By the Minister for Planning (Hon. N.D. Champion)—

Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016—Early Commencement of the Tunnel Protection Overlay Code Amendment—Report  
Regulations made under the following Acts—  
Planning, Development and Infrastructure—General—Tunnel Protection Overlay

*Ministerial Statement***LOWER RIVER MURRAY LEVEES**

**The Hon. S.E. CLOSE (Port Adelaide—Deputy Premier, Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, Minister for Defence and Space Industries, Minister for Climate, Environment and Water) (14:02):** I seek leave to make a ministerial statement.

Leave granted.

**The Hon. S.E. CLOSE:** The Lower Murray Reclaimed Irrigation Area was hit hard late last week, with strong southerly winds of up to 72 km/h rapidly raising water levels by 400 millimetres to 500 millimetres in under 24 hours. Overnight on Thursday, seven levees overtopped as a result of wind seiche.

Two government-owned levees at Long Flat and Pompoota and four privately owned levees at Kilsby, Westbrook, Toora and Glen Lossie were overtopped. A privately owned levee at Placid also breached following overtopping. These levees were already vulnerable following the devastating impact of the 2022-23 River Murray flood event.

Severe weather events are becoming more extreme and unpredictable, and the people of the Lower Murray Reclaimed Irrigation Area especially know that from their experiences during the flood event. When these events occur, there is a significant amount of work that is required to enable landholders to return to their land, and with the help of the state government they will be able to do just that.

Since early on Friday morning 8 September, the Department for Environment and Water has worked closely with the State Emergency Service, Primary Industries and Regions South Australia, SA Water's Engineering Functional Support Group, landholders and contractors to assess and undertake the works to stop the overtopping at six levees as quickly as possible.

Repairs at the privately owned levee at Placid, where the levee breached after overtopping, are not safely possible at this stage. The state government will continue to work with landholders to assess damage and required works as a priority.

While in general the level of inundation was minimal compared to that experienced during the 2022-23 flood, PIRSA has quickly mobilised to dewater the affected areas. Additional pumps were also placed over the weekend to assist with the dewatering of Pompoota and Long Flat. PIRSA will continue to work closely with the landholders affected by this recent overtopping to assess further dewatering requirements, and additional pumps will be deployed where necessary.

Since the 2022-23 River Murray flood event, the state government has funded immediate stabilisation and dewatering of both government owned and privately owned levees to ensure that, regardless of who owns them, the landholders are able to get back onto their land and be productive as quickly as possible. We recognise that there is still a significant way to go, and we will continue to work with landholders on further stabilisation and reinforcement of the damaged sections of levees on a priority basis.

The levees are vital to the Lower River Murray to protect important agricultural enterprises as well as critical infrastructure, such as roads, water and energy supply assets. The state government is considering options for the intermediate and longer term stabilisation of the LMRIA levee banks. Following the flood, the government created a working group and engaged with landholders to identify and prioritise options to secure the long-term integrity of the levee system. As immediate works are completed, this longer term work will commence.

While the River Murray has been experiencing a high-flow event, with flow at the South Australian border recently peaking at around 53 gigalitres a day, the flow rate is decreasing and is expected to fall to approximately 31 gigalitres a day over the coming week. This type of flow is most common in winter-spring, when the Murray catchment receives the bulk of its rainfall. While I understand the heightened alert from the community following the flood events from 2022-23, this level of flow creates no cause for alarm for the broader community. For landholders, the mental toll of seeing water again on their land has been considerable—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The Deputy Premier has the call.

**The Hon. S.E. CLOSE:** —and the government continues to offer grants and financial assistance, technical assistance and mental health and wellbeing support for those affected by the floods and the recent event.

When the flow rate at the South Australian border exceeds 40 gigalitres a day, a High Flow Advice notice is issued by the Department for Environment and Water. Members of the public can access up-to-date flow information by accessing the SA River Murray Flow Report from the department's website. Members of the public are also encouraged to stay up to date with current incidents and warnings on the South Australian State Emergency Service website.

#### **NORTHERN TERRITORY DEPLOYMENT, COUNTRY FIRE SERVICE**

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services) (14:08):** I seek leave to make a ministerial statement.

Leave granted.

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS:** The Northern Territory emergency services are currently battling a bushfire in the Barkly region that is more than 9,300 square kilometres in size and is at risk of spreading to the town of Tennant Creek. Large fires are not uncommon in the Northern Territory, although a fire of such size and ferocity at this time of the year is confronting and profound, and I want to take this opportunity to let every individual affected know that South Australia's thoughts are with them.

The Northern Territory and South Australian governments have a close relationship and a shared experience of unique remote central communities and station country. Due to the scale of this bushfire, Bushfires NT have requested additional capacity from the South Australian Country Fire Service to assist and, as per their well-deserved reputation, the CFS is stepping up to this task.

Tomorrow, a team of 20 South Australian CFS staff and volunteers will travel to Tennant Creek, including two strike teams, a field liaison officer and a jurisdictional liaison officer. In addition to the firefighters, the CFS is also deploying an SA Ambulance Service special operations paramedic as a component of their deployment cache to manage firefighter welfare and any immediate medical needs on that fire frontline.

I acknowledge not just the commitment of the South Australian emergency services members who dedicate extensive time and effort to ensure they are some of the most highly skilled and capable personnel in the nation but also their dedication in responding every day across South Australia to a wide variety of emergencies, including road crash rescue, hazmat, structure fires, and bushfires. Undertaking deployments such as this speaks to the heart and core values of our volunteer emergency services, which so often includes individuals putting their own lives on hold to help their communities and indeed other communities during critical times.

I have been in contact with my Northern Territory ministerial colleague the Hon. Kate Worden, and Commissioner of Police and Chief Executive Officer of Fire and the Emergency Services NT, Michael Murphy, to commit South Australia's support. On behalf of the government of South Australia, I commit not just words but our collective actions in support of our fellow Australians who are currently in need.

#### *Parliamentary Procedure*

#### **VISITORS**

**The SPEAKER:** Before I call for questions without notice, I recognise the presence in the gallery of year 9 students from Unley High School, guests of the member for Unley. I also see students from Adelaide High School, also year 9, guests of the member for Adelaide. Welcome to parliament.

#### *Question Time*

#### **AMBULANCE RAMPING**

**The Hon. D.J. SPEIRS (Black—Leader of the Opposition) (14:12):** My question is to the Premier. Does the Premier accept responsibility for ramping levels in South Australia? With your leave, sir, and that of the house, I will explain.

Leave granted.

**The Hon. D.J. SPEIRS:** Since the 2022 state election, and despite promising to fix ramping, the Labor government has delivered the 15 worst ramping months in the history of South Australia.

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS (Croydon—Premier) (14:12):** I would like to thank the Leader of the Opposition for his question because his question comes at an important time in the context of the challenge that the state has to alleviate the level of ramping that we have. I am very pleased to report to the house, to the parliament and to the people of South Australia more broadly that what we have seen this winter is a dramatic improvement—

**Mrs Hurn:** It was the worst winter on record last year.

**The SPEAKER:** The member for Schubert is warned. The Premier has the call.

**Mrs Hurn:** Worst winter on record.

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The Premier has the call.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Schubert, you are on two warnings. The Premier has the call.

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** This winter, we saw an improvement in ramping numbers on what we saw in the winter prior. I am very pleased to report that—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! Member for Frome, order! The Premier has the call.

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** —May this year is better than May last year. June this year is better than June last year—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Morialta!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** —July this year is better than July last year, and August this year is better than August last year, which speaks to a trend of improvement.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The member for Morialta is warned. The Premier has the call.

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** A point that has been made in this place on a number of occasions—and I am happy to repeat it for the benefit of the members of the opposition and many other South Australians who are interested—at the time of the election last year, when South Australians called 000, 66 per cent of the time they knew the ambulance would be late. They knew that, as a matter of fact, there was a better than even chance that when they called 000 during their time of urgent need they would see the ambulance not roll up on time, and instead a life would be at risk on many occasions because the ambulance was late. What we have been able to deliver over the course of the last 15 months as a result of opening beds and employing more nurses, more doctors and more ambulance officers—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** —is a dramatic improvement in ambulance response times. Lots of that improvement is as a direct consequence of the active policy interventions that this government has made, including a record investment. But it's also true that some of the improvement to ambulance response times that we have seen this winter—which of course are better again than what we saw last winter—is because we have started to see signs of improvement in regard to the volume of hours of transfer-of-care data. We need that trend to continue. This government is not going to make the same mistake of the former government: at the first sign of positive data—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The member for Hartley is warned.

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** —irresponsibly claiming victory, irresponsibly making representations to the public to suggest that—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** —the whole problem is fixed and there's nothing to see here.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** The member for Frome is warned.

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** We acknowledge this challenge, and we make active policy choices to confront the challenge by making the biggest investments in health infrastructure that this state has ever seen. The good news for those people who are working so hard on the frontline within our health service more broadly is there are a lot more resources coming.

**Mrs Hurn:** They voted for you to fix it.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Schubert!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** There are still more nurses to be employed, still more doctors to be recruited, and more ambulance officers to enter on the frontline—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** —as that progressively ramps up over the course of the next few years.

**Mr Patterson:** Extra car parks to park the ambulances.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Morphett!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** More beds, more nurses, more doctors, more ambulance officers: we want that trend of improvement to continue. We acknowledge that there is still a lot of work to be done, but we are heading in the right direction, which is exactly what we wanted to deliver as we came to government.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

*Mr Whetstone interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Chaffey!

#### **AMBULANCE RAMPING**

**Mrs HURN (Schubert) (14:16):** My question is to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing. Does the minister stand by his statement from 18 March 2022 regarding ramping? With your leave, sir, and that of house, I will explain.

Leave granted.

**Mrs HURN:** In a press release the minister stated, 'There is only one way to fix the ramping crisis, and that is to vote Labor tomorrow.' However, the August ramping figures are more than 800 hours worse than the worst month recorded under the former Liberal government.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**Mrs Hurn:** More than 800 hours worse!

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Schubert, you have asked your question and you are on two warnings. The minister has risen and now will answer.

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON (Kaurua—Minister for Health and Wellbeing) (14:17):** Well, consider the counterfactual: if those members opposite were elected—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON:** —and they weren't investing in additional beds at our hospitals—

**The Hon. J.A.W. Gardner:** You said you'd fix ramping.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Morialta!

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON:** —if they weren't employing additional doctors, nurses, midwives—

**The Hon. J.A.W. Gardner:** You promised you'd fix ramping.

**The SPEAKER:** The member for Morialta is on two warnings.

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON:** —and paramedics across our health system, they weren't building additional ambulance stations right across the state, and they weren't building a new Mount Barker hospital, which is desperately needed in the Hills and was opposed by those opposite as well.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The member for Chaffey is warned. Member for Frome!

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON:** All of those investments are needed to address the issues that we see in our healthcare system. The key criterion, of course, is that what we see in terms of causing ramping is people getting stuck in the emergency department because there aren't beds elsewhere in the health system for them to go. We have opened up every possible bed that we can across our health system, but we need to build more.

That is why we've got construction underway at Lyell McEwin Hospital in the electorate of Ramsay. That's why we've got construction underway in the electorate of Davenport at Flinders Medical Centre—building additional beds. That's why we've got more beds that will be built at Modbury, at QEH, at Noarlunga, at Mount Barker to make sure that we've got the capacity for people to be seen, and every other possible measure we are taking to make sure that we can improve that flow through the healthcare system.

It was great on the weekend to be in the member for Ramsay's electorate where we've got a new partnership with the ACH Group at a new aged-care facility at Healthia, across the road from the Lyell McEwin Hospital. We have purchased two of those pods of 12 beds each within that facility to help people get out of hospital through the Lyell McEwin and Modbury Hospital to help free up capacity, because we do have a challenge in terms of people who get stuck in hospital for longer than they need to.

While we are building additional beds, we are also trying to help people get out of hospital when they need to. In addition, we are also, of course, putting in place more resources so people can get care without having to go to hospital as well through our hospital avoidance measures that we have announced in the budget, as well as additional funding that's going in to help the discharge, particularly over the weekend, where that slows.

In every possible measure, we are taking action to address this issue. From ambulances to emergency departments, to flow through the hospital, to capacity to the hospital, to discharge into appropriate care, it's a comprehensive plan right across the system. That is what is needed to address this issue and to mean ultimately that those ambulances can get to people on time.

As the Premier outlined, we are very pleased in terms of what we have seen in terms of the response times improving, but there is still a long way to go to get back to where we were just five years ago.

#### CODE WHITE

**Mrs HURN (Schubert) (14:20):** My question is to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing. Did the government change any definition of Code White and, if so, why? With your leave, sir, and that of the house, I will explain.

Leave granted.

**Mrs HURN:** The definition of a Code White Emergency Capacity Status on the SA Health Emergency Department Dashboard has seemingly been changed from 'all treatment rooms being used' to 'more than 125 per cent of ED capacity'. Despite this change, there was a system-wide Code White last night, meaning all metropolitan hospitals were operating above 125 per cent.

**The SPEAKER:** Order! Before I turn to the minister I observe that there is an element of argument in the last section of purported facts. I am going to give the member for Schubert the opportunity to recast the question. It may be that the question can be asked without the purported fact.

**Mrs HURN:** You took the words right out of my mouth, sir. My question is to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing. Did the government change any definition of Code White and, if so, why?

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON (Kaurua—Minister for Health and Wellbeing) (14:21):** There has been no change whatsoever from the government in the way that that dashboard works. For the full four years of the previous government under the member for Dunstan, the dashboard worked in that it would be Code White when it was 125 per cent capacity.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON:** As I understand it, there was an issue since that dashboard was put in place back in 2011, I believe, where the description didn't match what was actually happening on the dashboard.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON:** That's being corrected.

*Mrs Hurn interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Schubert!

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON:** But there's no change in how the dashboard works. It has always worked on that basis and I am happy to show many, many screenshots of how it operated under the previous Liberal government that operated in exactly the same way.

#### VAPING

**Ms PRATT (Frome) (14:22):** My question is to the Minister for Health and Wellbeing. Does the government have a strategy to limit the supply of vapes in South Australia and, if so, what is it? With your leave, sir, and that of the house, I will explain.

Leave granted.

**Ms PRATT:** It was reported on 11 September that Chief Public Health Officer Professor Nicola Spurrier said, 'We have been able to get more intel about where things are coming from, so there is a particular supplier interstate that we are concerned about.'

**The Hon. C.J. PICTON (Kaurua—Minister for Health and Wellbeing) (14:22):** I am not going to go through the detail in terms of specific investigations that may be underway between SA Health and SA Police for obvious reasons. I think it is fair to say that we are obviously very concerned about what we are seeing in terms of vaping in our community, the impact that it is having particularly on children and particularly on our schools. I know the Minister for Education is particularly concerned about that as well. So we are doing everything we possibly can, working in conjunction with the federal government, to address this issue.

We do need the supply to be cut off to make sure that this works. What we have seen up until now is that we haven't seen the border patrols. We haven't seen the border protection measures that would cut off supply because it has been a product that hasn't had significant restrictions in place. But working together with the federal government and Mark Butler, what we are putting in place across the country, and this is agreed by all health ministers, including the Liberal health minister in Tasmania as well, is to put in place measures around vaping where they will only be sold through prescriptions in pharmacies.

We won't have single-use vapes being sold in the same way that they are now. There will be proper border protection measures in place to stop the supply coming into the country, and there will be measures that the federal government will be putting in place to prevent the manufacture of vapes in Australia as well. All of those measures are needed to make sure we can address this.

What we have seen over the past five years is the number of kids who are regularly vaping going up and up and up. Some of these vapes contain very, very high levels of nicotine. In fact, one of the vapes that we recently seized in a blitz contained the equivalent of the level of nicotine in three packets of cigarettes, in one vape. What we heard a number of years ago, when we were first looking at this as a parliament, was that advocates of vaping were saying, 'There's no need to worry about

kids because kids aren't going to take up these products. It's only going to be sold to people who are quitting smoking.' Well, that has not turned out to be the case. We are seeing more and more kids taking them up.

I have sat in my electorate office with parents and grandparents of kids—and I'm sure that's a scene that has been repeated by other members of parliament as well, in their contacts—where you're talking about parents who are dealing with their 14 and 15 year olds who are addicted to nicotine and are having to go on nicotine replacement therapy and patches to try to address that. We can't let that stand. We need to do something about this. So, between the commonwealth and all states and territories, there will be a very significant regulatory scheme that will be put in place.

In the meantime, of course, we're doing everything we possibly can within the current legislative provisions that we have. That's why we have done this blitz, but later this year we will also be bringing to the parliament legislation which will toughen our existing laws around penalties that we can put in place for some of these suppliers. There is obviously a level at which some of these matters become a police matter, in which Health will work with police in terms of enforcement as they do at the moment when it comes to illicit tobacco, particularly where there are criminal elements involved in the sale, manufacture, supply and distribution of those products as well.

This is being taken really seriously by all levels of government. There is a lot more work to do, but if we don't do this work, then I fear in five years' time we are going to be in a much worse situation, and that's going to be impacting thousands and thousands of South Australian kids.

#### *Parliamentary Procedure*

#### **VISITORS**

**The SPEAKER:** I acknowledge the presence in the gallery today of Cale Hutchings and Jesse Millsted from the podcast *Two Piece Feed*, guests of the member for Davenport. Welcome to parliament.

#### *Question Time*

#### **HAHNDORF TRUCK DIVERSION**

**The Hon. V.A. TARZIA (Hartley) (14:26):** My question is to the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport. Minister, how much money is being spent on works to River Road before 1 November this year?

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS (West Torrens—Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Minister for Energy and Mining) (14:27):** I'm not surprised that this question has been asked by my young friend, who is very keen to try to make as much hay while the sun shines on this issue. It's fair to say that members opposite have been whipping up a fair bit of misinformation about the government's plans in Hahndorf. I think what I'll do is I'll just give a bit of context here on this answer, sir, because I know this is important to you as well.

The opposition have locals believing that our plan to remove large trucks from the main street of Hahndorf is somehow a bypass by stealth along River Road. This is incorrect. What we are doing, and we have been very clear about this, is stopping large trucks of 15 metres in length or more from using the main street of Hahndorf as a thoroughfare. These trucks will need to find—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** These trucks will have to use an alternative route. Yes, we expect many of them to use River Road, among others. River Road is a general access route today, with trucks of up to 19 metres weighing 42½ tonnes operating on it daily. A count done by the former Liberal government in 2019 estimated that there were 130—

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER:** Point of order.

**The SPEAKER:** Order! There is a point of order from the member for Morialta.



**The Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER:** Standing order 98: debate. The question was actually really specific about what was being spent on River Road in the next couple of months. The minister is going well beyond that, into the history and broader issues.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! Member for Mawson! There is some force in the member for Morialta's point of order. However, it has been the practice of Speakers to permit a degree of context where necessary—and, indeed, some compare and contrast—and it is early in the answer.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** While not all of those 130 trucks use the entire length of River Road because they are reaching destinations that are on River Road, the department estimates between 70 and 100 of them use the entire length of the road. I know that is disputed by the local member of parliament, but this is a safe route for trucks to use today, and the works that we are undertaking are there to make the road safe for the long term.

We have undertaken to allocate some money for the upkeep of works to ensure River Road and other alternative routes remain robust for the longer term and to give those who use it now the assurance—we want them to feel comfortable—to continue to do so. But, to be clear, we are talking about things like shoulder sealing, tree trimming and intersection widening. It is also critical for the public to understand that not all diverted trucks will be using River Road.

There are a variety of route options, and the trucking industry is adept at choosing the best route depending on the origin and destination of the freight. Of the 130 large trucks that will be removed from the main street of Hahndorf each day, 50 currently travel north to east while around 80 go south to west or north to south. Those trucks will use a variety of routes. They will use River Road, Strathalbyn Road, Flaxley Road, Junction Road plus other viable and legal combinations.

Various groups over recent days have expressed concerns about River Road, and these are being addressed, which gets to the nub of the question of my young friend. A truck driver interviewed in various media raised concerns about road shoulders, so we have committed to sealing shoulders along River Road. The department advises me that the planned shoulder sealing will be completed prior to the Hahndorf truck ban—which I understand now the opposition no longer supports—coming into effect on 1 November. Of course, these are all subject to approvals.

Some other local residents have indicated disquiet about speeding trucks. I can advise I have asked the department to undertake a speed assessment to determine if changes need to be made from the current 80 km/h. Time has expired; I will wait for my young friend's next question.

#### **HAHNDORF TRUCK DIVERSION**

**The Hon. V.A. TARZIA (Hartley) (14:31):** My question is again to the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport. Did the government receive advice from the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator in relation to trucks on River Road and, if so, what advice was provided?

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS (West Torrens—Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Minister for Energy and Mining) (14:32):** The department is conducting its own assessments.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The member for Morialta is already on two warnings. The minister has the call.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** This is a council road that is a general access road. For the entire time members opposite were in government, they allowed trucks weighing over 40 tonnes and that were 19 metres in length to use it, and the member for Heysen didn't complain once.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER:** Point of order, sir: standing order 98. When the minister names another member and points and wags his finger at him, he is going well beyond traditional compare and contrast.

**The SPEAKER:** I have the point of order. I will listen carefully. There is some force in it. The minister will come to the question.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** This is a council road. The council has deemed this road suitable for general access vehicles. That was the regime while members opposite were in office. The entire time they were in—

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Shouting won't change it. Interjecting won't change the facts.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Yelling won't change the facts.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Chaffey! Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Members opposite allowed vehicles that weighed over 40 tonnes to carry logs and livestock through River Road and never complained once—not once. That's very interesting, isn't it?

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** My young friend interjects, 'How many trucks?'

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** In my previous answer, I just said there were 70 to 100 heavy vehicles using that road every day, and that is on the basis of the assessments made while members opposite were in office. In fact, the actual count from Mount Barker Road onto River Road was 130 vehicles in 2019. That assessment was done—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Morialta!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** —while members opposite were planning to make River Road—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Hartley! The member for Hammond is warned.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** —the bypass option for Hahndorf. So while they're out there—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! Member for Florey! The member for Hartley is on a final warning, and the member for Hammond joins him on two warnings and is close to final.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** I heard an interjection, which I shouldn't respond to, saying, 'That was done during COVID.' But that would mean there would have been fewer traffic movements during COVID, so 130 is actually conservative or it might be more. Either way, the bypass options that members opposite are trying to sell to the people of the Adelaide Hills have always been a furphy. Their final designs were ready to go when they were in office and they never made a decision—never made a decision.

My young friend preferred River Road. Other members preferred the Beerenberg-Paechtown option, which I understand is the member for Heysen's preferred option. I also understand that on the other options that were chosen there was a great deal of debate within the cabinet about this about what options to choose. So they made no decision. What we have done is get trucks off the

main street. I have a supporter in getting trucks off the main street. Someone said this in April of this year, and I quote:

The government has just got to listen to locals because at the end of the day there's no point really doing anything unless you take those trucks...[off] the main street of Hahndorf.

Do you know who said that? My young friend. Much like the intersection he was championing in his local community when he couldn't get members opposite to listen to him, I have listened. I have listened. The trucks are coming off the main street of Hahndorf. We are spending money on River Road to make sure that it can maintain the level of traffic it has now. We are not planning a bypass by stealth.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** That is what members opposite are feeding that community, and it is unfair.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! There are continuous interjections from my left and right and it is difficult to hear. I would not wish to willingly exercise 137A, but I do observe that a number of members are on their final warnings. The member for Elder has been waiting patiently the last number of questions.

#### **BUSINESS COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA**

**Ms CLANCY (Elder) (14:37):** My question is to the Premier. Can the Premier please inform the house of the findings of the Business Council of Australia report into regulation across jurisdictions?

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS (Croydon—Premier) (14:37):** I thank the member for Elder for her question. I know that the member for Elder cares a lot about the businesses that exist within her electorate, of which there are a substantial number, small and large. The member for Elder does appreciate the employment opportunities that are created on the back of that, so I appreciate her interest in the question.

In recent days, the Business Council of Australia, which conduct regular analysis of performance of various jurisdictions across the country in different forms, released their Regulation Rumble. It was a report done to assess the relative performance of jurisdictions around the country in terms of their settings about attracting investment, particularly in the property sector. I am very, very pleased to report that the Business Council of Australia in both categories it was measuring had South Australia ranked first in the nation—first in the nation.

They went on to say a range of highly complimentary remarks in respect of the policy settings that we have here in South Australia, including:

South Australia ranks highly because it has no stamp duty on commercial property transactions.

This reform was of course made by the former Labor government to abolish commercial stamp duty on top of very substantial planning reforms that now makes us the place in the country—

*Mr Patterson interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Morphett!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** —to be able to invest.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Morphett! Order! Member for Chaffey! Order! Member for Florey! The Premier has the call.

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** It comes on the back of a range of other reports that have been released in recent days. We had the Housing Industry Association Housing Scorecard ranking South Australia as best in the country. The ANZ Property Council Survey, not famed for providing

accolades to Labor governments in the past, ranked South Australia as being the equal leader in the country tied with Western Australia. It comes on the back of other positive reports showing that we are leading the nation in respect of retail sales, we are leading the nation in terms of new home sales, we are at full employment and record low youth unemployment rate.

Just last week, the ABS released the gross state product figures showing that South Australia in the June quarter is leading the nation in growth in respect of the gross state product. On almost every single indicator that has been released around the country, from the Business Council, to the Property Council to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, to our ratings agencies, which have just upgraded the credit rating of the South Australian budget—

*The Hon. J.A.W. Gardner interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Morialta!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** —in every respect we see regular and active and repeated endorsement of the economic policy settings of this modern Labor government, a modern Labor government that is genuinely making the tough decisions to get our budget back on track but also to put—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The Premier has the call.

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** The rating agencies have upgraded the state budget—

*The Hon. J.A.W. Gardner interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Morialta!

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS:** We have active policy settings to attract investment to the state. We are proud of that record. It is momentum that is worth building on, which is exactly what this state government is going to deliver.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The member for Morialta and the member for Hartley are both on their final warnings.

#### HAHNDORF BYPASS

**Mr TEAGUE (Heysen) (14:41):** My question is for the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport. Has the government undertaken any environmental impact assessment work in relation to roadworks near Onkaparinga River and, if so, what?

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS (West Torrens—Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Minister for Energy and Mining) (14:41):** Not that I am aware of, but any maintenance work that we do on that road will go through the appropriate planning approvals. We are not attempting to shortcut anything, but if the member has any opinions or advice about River Road I would like to know what it is. He has not spoken to me about it. I have not heard from the member for Heysen at all. I understand he is now at the point where he would rather have the trucks stay on the main street of Hahndorf rather than divert them to River Road.

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** True? So the member for Heysen, to his credit, is at least, unlike other members, honest enough to say he wants the trucks to stay on the main street of Hahndorf; he wants to keep them there. We do not because—

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Perhaps he should have spoken to the former Minister for Transport, the Hon. Corey Wingard, when he was in office. I quote the former Minister for Transport, who didn't have to resign in disgrace; he stayed right to the end. On ABC radio on 29 April 2021, he said:

A full interchange at River Road, a half interchange at River Road in one of the options and a full interchange at Verdun so there's three options that the community will be able to look over and see which one they think will work best for them.

That there says first and foremost that members opposite were planning a full interchange at Verdun. Mount Barker was always included as part of the original Hahndorf project, so members opposite were trying to spend the same money twice.

Members in the Adelaide Hills are getting a bit sick and tired of members opposite turning up and saying, 'Vote for us—GlobeLink: we will move a freight line and build an airport at Murray Bridge,' and now they are trying to sell that they were going to build on interchange at Hahndorf. Well, why didn't they announce it? Why didn't they announce their plan?

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Here we go. I know that the final plans were finalised well before the state election. Why weren't they announced? Do you know why they weren't announced? They weren't announced because they knew that whatever option they chose there would be disquiet. We have made a decision.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! Member for Chaffey, order! Member for Florey! The member for Heysen on a point of order.

**Mr TEAGUE:** A point of order, sir: standing order 98. It is a pretty specific question.

**The SPEAKER:** Minister, I bring you to the question.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Thank you, sir. What I can confirm is that any works to be done on the road will require the appropriate native veg assessments and approval. We will undertake, of course, all of our—

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Members opposite are talking about the river. We are not planning a full bypass like members opposite were planning. This is part of the myth-making of members opposite—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** —who were planning a full bypass of River Road, were planning to acquire 70 properties, and were planning to spend over \$100 million. I have to say, if we wanted a full bypass at River Road we would do it. We are not, we are not planning a full bypass on River Road. What we are doing is banning trucks on the main street of Hahndorf, when members opposite are trying to tell members of the community that we are planning to introduce—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** —their bypass plan by stealth. We are not, sir. I rule it out completely.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

## REGIONAL ROADS

**Mr BELL (Mount Gambier) (14:45):** My question is to the Minister for Transport. Can the minister explain what response times are built into the contract between Fulton Hogan and the state government for repairs on state government regional roads? With your leave, sir, and that of the house, I will explain.

Leave granted.

**Mr BELL:** ABC South East reported, on 11 September, that local resident Jim Pick had his tyre and wheel completely destroyed by a large pothole on his way from Mount Gambier to Millicent. Other listeners called in and commented that they, too, had hit potholes around our region and that response times are very poor.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS (West Torrens—Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Minister for Energy and Mining) (14:46):** Members opposite who are agreeing with the member for Mount Gambier might want to apologise to him for the privatisation program during the previous four years—

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** They say, 'Oh, please!' Well, the South-East—

*Ms Savvas interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Newland!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** —was a government-maintained project. They were outsourced to Fulton Hogan. They took the cheapest possible price they could. Roads have deteriorated. Fulton Hogan are constantly asking—

*Mr Brown interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** The member for Florey is warned.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** —for changes to the contract. I point out that when members opposite took over the treasury bench the road maintenance budget, the road maintenance backlog—

**The SPEAKER:** Minister, there is a point of order from the member for Morialta.

**The Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER:** Thank you, sir. Standing order 98: this is debate.

**The SPEAKER:** I will listen carefully. We have not passed four minutes, although I am not necessarily sure that time is exactly right. In any case, we are early in the answer and I will listen carefully.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** The backlog, by the time members took over, was a backlog of maintenance of well under a billion dollars, and by the time they left office it was close to \$2 billion—and here they are, 15 months later, saying, 'Why haven't you fixed what we didn't do and made worse in the four years we were in office?'

*The Hon. V.A. Tarzia interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Hartley!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** The member for Mount Gambier is right—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** He is absolutely right. The people of the South-East know that the road maintenance outsourcing has been a failure. They see it every day when they are driving on their roads. We are working through this problem. I agree that the time taken to fix these potholes is too long. There are budget implications here, of course, because of the way the tender process was conducted by members opposite. Quite frankly, the whole thing has been—

**Mr Whetstone:** How long have you been in government?

**The SPEAKER:** The member for Chaffey is warned.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Is it 15 months, 17 months?

**An honourable member:** It's 18 months.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Almost 18 months, sir. So, yes, I can't fix, in the 18 months that we have been in office, what members opposite let deteriorate over four years—but we are working through it, bit by bit.

I say to the member for Mount Gambier that it is a priority of mine. The member for Stuart and I are working on how best to tackle this problem, because it is a very, very large problem. There are contracts in place that we need to either supplement or improve, because the scenario you have just described to the house is unacceptable. Our regional communities do it tough enough as it is without having to live with the legacy of a failed privatisation by members opposite.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! Member for Chaffey, you are on a final warning, and you cannot describe other members as a 'joke'. It is very close to the line, and 137A is very imminent.

### RIVER LIGHTS MANNUM

**Ms WORTLEY (Torrens) (14:49):** My question is to the Minister for Tourism. Can the minister advise the house of the results of the Illuminate Mannum-River Lights and the event's impact on residents and small businesses?

**The Hon. Z.L. BETTISON (Ramsay—Minister for Tourism, Minister for Multicultural Affairs) (14:49):** I thank the member for her interest in this area. We all know that the recovery along the Murray River following a flooding event early this year is ongoing, and the Malinauskas Labor government continues its support of our river community.

The impact of the flooding of course was exacerbated in our small business areas, and of course we saw a reduction in tourists going to the river at what is traditionally the peak season, and that impacted not only our tourism operators but also many of these small businesses that are supported by tourists visiting their town. Our government has rolled out a comprehensive support package to the region, including our River Revival vouchers, a targeted marketing campaign, infrastructure support and small business grants, and can I thank my colleague the Minister for Small and Family Business for her work in this space.

Other than the tourism vouchers and marketing campaign and following the hugely successful Adelaide City installation I asked the directors of Illuminate, Rachael Azzopardi and Lee Cumberland, to help me support the river community by taking River Lights to Mannum with the support of the SA government. River Lights Mannum was an overwhelming success. I had the opportunity to go up to launch it on 4 August. Can I thank the Mayor of the Mid Murray Council, Simone Bailey, for her strong advocacy for her community in getting this activation to Mannum.

It saw more than 20,000 people attend and engage with this amazing public art display. The influx of people to Mannum was a boon for the local economy and businesses that have struggled with the downturn. What I really heard from the mayor was that people had been cautious about coming back, and having this event in Mannum gave them the confidence, if they had not reopened, to make the decision that that was the date they were going to reopen.

The Pretoria Hotel, which has experienced a number of floods over its history, advised that its business had doubled over the period of River Lights. The Mannum Hotel ran out of a number of menu items due to the increased demand, and the Deja Vu ski shop, which was forced to shut down due to flood waters, noted that this was the best business the shop had done during the winter period thanks to River Lights attracting the people. It was a free public activation on the waterfront, and the economic benefit and the confidence it brought to Mannum cannot be underestimated. Can I just thank the local businesses that really rose to the occasion, with many of the local shops remaining open to 9pm throughout the whole period of River Lights. We really saw how that was able to support the area.

Of course, we have seen the impact of the support packages throughout the whole Riverland, Murray Lakes and Coorong regions. Business owners like Stephen Edwards from Riverbend Caravan Park has been in touch through this very difficult time and has provided feedback on the support packages and marketing campaign. Stephen has reinvested in his business and is optimistic about its future. He has built new, fully accessible cabins and created new, powered caravan sites.

Also, Minister Michaels recently spoke to stakeholders like Mike Goryan from Riverfun Houseboats, who is also optimistic about the future and looking forward to a booked out summer holiday season. It has been a very difficult time of uncertainty, but the attention paid around the vouchers, the business support grants, and of course the campaign, has enabled people to continue. Both the Riverbend Caravan Park and Riverfun Houseboats received the Early Business Closure and Flood Recovery grants through the Office for Small and Family Business. They have also benefited from the River Revival vouchers, which assisted people coming back to the region.

#### HAHNDORF TRUCK DIVERSION

**Mr TEAGUE (Heysen) (14:53):** My question is the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport. Did the minister consult any residents of River Road prior before making his decision in relation to the trucks down Main Street, Hahndorf and, if so, how many residents did he consult? With your leave, sir, and that of the house, I will explain.

Leave granted.

**Mr TEAGUE:** On 24 August, the minister announced the main road, Hahndorf, truck ban. On 10 September local resident, Emma Smith, told *The Advertiser*, and I quote, 'I can tell with a fair amount of certainty that there will be a fatality on this road.'

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS (West Torrens—Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, Minister for Energy and Mining) (14:54):** Ms Smith has said that I haven't been responding to her correspondence, or she has not had a response to her correspondence, therefore she attended a press conference the Premier was at. I received Ms Smith's email on Thursday. I have checked with my office. I get about 750 to a thousand pieces of correspondence a month, close to 12,000 pieces of correspondence a year.

**An honourable member:** Do you answer them? You don't answer ours.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** I do answer yours; in fact, I prioritise members of parliament, I do. And if I am late to a member of parliament, I always make the point of apologising for the delay because I prioritise MPs because you are here representing the people of South Australia and I know how important it is when an MP writes to me about an issue.

Ms Smith wrote to me on Thursday. Thursday, one business day on Friday, and on Sunday there were complaints that we hadn't responded on time. With all due respect, that is a short time frame. In terms of the consultation of residents on River Road, I consulted with residents on part of the Hahndorf Main Street organisation but I have not directly consulted with them; the department is consulting with residents along—

**Mr Pederick:** They don't matter.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** That's not what I said.

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** I have to say, given the pronouncements by members opposite about what they want to do to Paechtown, did the member for Hammond speak to anyone in Paechtown about his pronouncement that we should just put an interchange right through their homes?

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Have you?

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** I haven't finished.



*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Hammond, your colleague is seeking to make a point of order. Member for Heysen.

**Mr TEAGUE:** Point of order: standing order 98. The question was quite specific.

**The SPEAKER:** I have the question. I will listen carefully.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** I haven't personally consulted with residents there, but the department is consulting with residents. I think the question was: did I do it before the decision to ban trucks on Main Street? As I said, I have been called on by local residents, Adelaide Hills—

**The SPEAKER:** Minister, please be seated.

**The Hon. V.A. Tarzia:** It wouldn't happen in Mount Barker.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Hartley, you are well and truly on three warnings, and you will leave for the remainder of question time—137A.

*The honourable member for Hartley having withdrawn from the chamber:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** I am loath to do this now that he has left, but I just again reiterate that on 4 April this is what the opposition was saying publicly about the main street of Hahndorf:

The government has just got to listen to locals because at the end of the day there's no point really doing anything unless you take those trucks that don't need to be there from the main street of Hahndorf. We've all been there on a Sunday afternoon, David, we know what it's like, it's bedlam, it's dangerous at the moment and so we are not going to stop.

And neither will I—

**The SPEAKER:** Minister, there is a point of order.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! Member for Heysen.

**Mr TEAGUE:** Standing order 98: the minister is not only now not answering the question but he is repeating himself. The question was quite specific: what consultation was done with River Road residents prior to the decision?

**The SPEAKER:** I have the point of order, member for Heysen, and developing or revisiting some subject matter, provided there is an additional novel contribution, is not a contravention of standing order 98, as you well know. I will listen carefully.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Again, this is part of the narrative the opposition are trying to push, that we are deliberately targeting River Road residents. We are not. What we have done—

*Members interjecting:*

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** Yes, we have given them other options: there is Flaxley Road, Junction Road. The local member won't plant his flag on an actual outcome that he wants but has said he is happy to see trucks back into the main street rather than diverted anywhere else. Quite frankly, if he wanted a bypass, he should have built one, but he chose not to. He was part of a cabinet that did not build a bypass. They did commit to Mount Barker, they did commit to Verdun, but would not commit to Hahndorf—and why? He did not want to announce before the election that he was carving up Beerenberg and Paechtoun.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** That's why they didn't do it.

**The SPEAKER:** Order! Minister, there is a point of order. Member for Morialta.

**The Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER:** Debate, sir.

**The SPEAKER:** Yes, there is some force in that point of order. Minister, we have the question. We are late in the dusk of the answer and we are going to bring you back to the question.

**The Hon. A. KOUTSANTONIS:** We are consulting with residents, but the idea that we are making River Road a bypass is a different form of consultation. We are not making River Road a bypass. Therefore, what we are doing here is consulting with residents who are being impacted on the main street of Hahndorf, which is something that the opposition have called on us to do, and we have done it.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

### AFFORDABLE HOUSING

**Ms HOOD (Adelaide) (14:59):** My question is to the Minister for Housing and Urban Development. Can the minister inform the house how the community housing provider sector is participating in the design and development of new government housing allocated for affordable housing outcomes?

**The Hon. N.D. CHAMPION (Taylor—Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Housing and Urban Development, Minister for Planning) (14:59):** I thank the member for Adelaide for her question. There is absolutely no doubt that there is a crisis in housing around the country, and there is a critical lack of affordable housing here in South Australia. The government is pulling every lever that we can to support developers, builders and community housing providers to fast-track projects to meet this challenge.

Yesterday, it was great to see the Prime Minister announce that the Housing Australia Future Fund is set to pass the Senate later this week. That is really welcome news—and no thanks to those opposite or to their party, which remains completely intransigently opposed to housing in this country.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER:** Point of order, sir.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Minister! Order, member for Chaffey!

**The Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER:** Standing order 98: debate. Preferably, we talk about matters relating to the South Australian parliament here.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order! The minister is prone to a degree of rhetorical flourish, which does tend to invite interjections. I will listen carefully.

**The Hon. N.D. CHAMPION:** I will try to avoid it, sir. We want to give community housing providers—

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order!

**The Hon. N.D. CHAMPION:** —those looking for certainty, developers, that there is a funding mechanism for the long term. We know that CHPs provide a really important role in the management and delivery of affordable housing, particularly affordable rental, and that that sector is growing.

Recently, Renewal SA invited tier 1 and tier 2 community housing providers to a briefing to discuss Renewal SA's plans to progress affordable housing projects at Bowden and Prospect. At that briefing, we gave community housing providers an opportunity to provide design input, tenant identification and management ideas to these projects. Renewal SA, through the government, want to de-risk these projects for the community housing providers and make them more financially viable for investment by the Housing Australia Future Fund. That is just the beginning of what we want to do.

We want to seek HAFF funding for the following projects: Noarlunga Downs, 600 homes, of which 20 are affordable rentals and 80 are public housing; Franklin Street, over 50 affordable rentals; Bowden, over two apartment buildings, over 90 affordable rentals; Playford Alive, 25 affordable rentals as part of 161 new affordable homes; and Prospect, over two apartment buildings 72 affordable rentals.

Just on Sunday, I was with the Premier in Prospect with the member for Adelaide announcing 180 new homes nearby the Islington Railway Workshop; 55 per cent of those homes are going to be either affordable sale or affordable rental. I would have thought that is something those opposite would support.

*Members interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order, member for Florey, member for Chaffey!

**The Hon. N.D. CHAMPION:** We want to make sure there is an affordable rental component in everything we do because we know it makes a huge difference. According to the most accurate figures I have to date on current rental data, in Prospect this would mean a saving of \$7,600 a year for an apartment and in Munno Para, in the Playford Alive project, it's a saving of some \$6,300 a year for a house. That makes a huge difference in someone's life but, more importantly, it places downward pressure on rents, not upward pressure on rents.

One of the things we are really keen to do is work with community housing providers, gear them up to take advantage of the Housing Australia Future Fund so that they can take their own projects there, so that the government can support them and so that they can partner with the private sector.

We see the passing of this very important fund as one part of a puzzle that we are trying to resolve. We are trying to push projects into our pipeline. We are trying to release land, and we all remember how much land was released under the previous government: just 185 hectares over four years. It was the longest consultation period ever.

**Mr Whetstone:** How many did you sell in 16 years? How much did you sell in 16 years?

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Chaffey!

**The Hon. N.D. CHAMPION:** We want to pump in supply and those opposite want to oppose it.

#### LOWER RIVER MURRAY LEVEES

**Mr PEDERICK (Hammond) (15:04):** My question is to the Minister for Environment and Water. Did the minister receive advice from her department in relation to levee breaches and, if so, when? With your leave, sir, and that of the house, I will explain.

Leave granted.

**Mr PEDERICK:** The Deputy Premier is quoted in the *Murray Bridge News* on 8 September dismissing reports that there had been multiple River Murray levee breaches late last week as Liberal misinformation, despite ABC news reporting today that there were, in fact, seven levees breached in the region.

**The Hon. S.E. CLOSE (Port Adelaide—Deputy Premier, Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, Minister for Defence and Space Industries, Minister for Climate, Environment and Water) (15:05):** I think what we are talking about is a lack of understanding of the difference between overtopping—

*Mr Pederick interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Hammond, order!

**The Hon. S.E. CLOSE:** You and I had a text message that day, so you know I knew. So, a difference between overtopping and breaching, overtopping—

*Mr Pederick interjecting:*

**The SPEAKER:** Order, member for Hammond!

**The Hon. S.E. CLOSE:** So this is a definitional question. It is a definitional question and it matters.

**The SPEAKER:** Deputy Premier, please be seated. Member for Hammond, you will leave under 137A, continuous interjections, for the remainder of question time.

*The honourable member for Hammond having withdrawn from the chamber:*

**The Hon. S.E. CLOSE:** This definitional difference matters because it matters what happens to a levee and therefore what needs to occur to repair it for the future and also to manage it into the future. Overtopping is when the water level goes over the top of a levee that is otherwise intact. That happened for six of the seven events, six of the seven levees, which is why I indicated in the media that it was misinformation to say that there had been multiple breaches of levees.

One levee, privately owned, did breach after it had overtopped. That one is the one that is still unable to be repaired because not only is the overtopping the issue but, if it is breached, it is very difficult to then repair it. In order to keep the normal level of the water out, you have to repair that first and then allow for the dewatering through pumping, whereas the others, although somewhat damaged in the overtopping, did not breach and therefore are well on their way to being dewatered and being able to be used again. That is the distinction.

No-one hides from the fact that there was a wind event at the same time as a high-flow event and that seiche caused the water to go over the top and into agricultural land. That is deeply distressing for the landholders there and a matter of great concern to the government. No-one diminishes that; no-one suggests that that's unimportant. What is equally important is that we are not alarmists, that we don't suggest that there have been multiple failures of levees, that there have been multiple breaches of levees, because that means something quite different and is far more expensive and takes far longer to repair.

#### **LOWER RIVER MURRAY LEVEES**

**Mr WHETSTONE (Chaffey) (15:07):** My question is to the Minister for Environment and Water. Will the government provide funding to undertake engineering works to prevent further breaches of the River Murray levee bank network?

**The Hon. S.E. CLOSE (Port Adelaide—Deputy Premier, Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science, Minister for Defence and Space Industries, Minister for Climate, Environment and Water) (15:07):** We have already spent about \$3 million working on levees in the region, and we will continue to spend money. There are two significant stages associated with what is needed to happen post the flood.

The first is to stabilise the levees sufficiently that dewatering is able to happen and that primary production is able to return to that land. That has been the priority and continues to be the priority. Much of that work has already occurred, although, of course, with these particular levees that has set them back somewhat.

The next stage is to determine how much money we collectively want to spend on the levees, to what height they need to be built back and who ought to own them. As many people will recall, during the time of the flood there were discussions about how some levees, particularly those further north, had been under dispute since the 1950s about who owned them, what land they were on and who was responsible for their maintenance.

A working group was set up under the auspices of the Department of the Premier and Cabinet. Engagement has occurred with landholders, and that working group has looked at various options for what is to be done in the intermediate and longer term. That will be considered in due course by government as to what can be afforded and what is the appropriate way of managing those levees, both the flood levees further upstream and the agricultural levees that we are discussing that have experienced the overtopping and, in one case, a breach.

That work will happen, but what won't stop while that consideration is occurring is genuine continuance of making sure that the stabilisation of the existing levees occurs and that primary production is being returned to as quickly as possible across that area.

### **SOCIAL HOUSING**

**S.E. ANDREWS (Gibson) (15:09):** My question is to the Minister for Human Services. How is the Malinauskas Labor government working with key partners to deliver more social and affordable housing?

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services) (15:09):** I thank the member for this question. We have been out together in the community talking to people who live in social housing and we know how valuable it is in our community.

This last year has been an historic turning point for social and affordable housing. For 29 of the last 30 years, public housing has gone down in numbers in South Australia, and the last time public housing actually went up under a Liberal Premier was in 1982. When we ran for election last year, we promised \$177.5 million extra for public housing. We delivered that in our last budget and then increased it to \$232.7 million in December last year. From 2022 to 2026, this will deliver 564 additional new public homes and do major upgrades on 350 more so that they can again be homes for people.

Federal Labor are putting their shoulder to the wheel. They promised extra support for homebuyers and they have delivered extra payments for renters. A key election promise from federal Labor was the \$10 billion Housing Australia Future Fund, or the HAFF as it is commonly known. Sadly, the legislation to support the HAFF was stalled. It had been delayed in the Senate, with both the Greens and the National Coalition—the Liberals—blocking its progress. But yesterday there was a breakthrough. The Greens have now indicated their support for the HAFF. This aims to support the delivery of 30,000 social and affordable homes over five years, with two-thirds of these homes, and an even higher proportion of the funding, being targeted at social housing.

While affordable housing is a critical part of our system—and we acknowledge that and support it for those people who can't afford market rents or purchase prices—social housing is a fundamental safety net for those who can't even pay what most of us consider to be a good deal. Ahead of the HAFF, the commonwealth announced the \$2 billion social accelerator payment, with \$135.8 million for public and community housing here in South Australia. This doubled down on our state commitment, providing huge opportunities to deliver better housing for people who need it most: older women, survivors of family violence, people with disability, people experiencing homelessness and Aboriginal South Australians, amongst others.

We are ready to deliver on both the state and federal investments. As soon as the commonwealth announced their social accelerator program, we reached out to our community housing providers, and they have put together projects that can deliver the best outcomes in the shortest possible time. Recent work with our partners identified almost 200 social housing projects in the community housing sector, with the vast majority ready to begin by the time the HAFF funding is available. This, with the Social Housing Accelerator and our state government investment, means we can keep working together on projects now, with the HAFF funding coming in the future, in around 18 to 24 months. Together, this will support a pipeline of work stretching on for another five years after that.

I am really pleased to advise that our public housing investment is already delivering outcomes. We promised those homes. We promised those new builds. In addition to the people who have already moved into those homes—with around a dozen completed and tenanted, and 70 due also to be completed by the end of October—we now have tenders out for another 100 that have been awarded and another 50 expected to be awarded by the end of the year. So we're getting on with it and we're doing the business of providing social housing for people in South Australia, as well as affordable housing.

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**The Hon. D.J. SPEIRS (Black—Leader of the Opposition) (15:13):** Sometimes governments make mistakes, and at that point they should realise it and go back to the drawing board. To do otherwise can perhaps look arrogant at best and can lead to very unfortunate outcomes, perhaps even fatal outcomes at worst. I think the situation that we are seeing unfold in the town of Hahndorf in the Adelaide Hills at the moment not only looks incredibly arrogant on behalf of the government and the responsible minister—the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport—but also could lead to consequences that we do not even want to necessarily turn our minds to.

The residents in Hahndorf and the surrounding towns, Mylor, Echunga, Jupiter Creek, Chapel Hill and beyond, have every right to feel exceptionally let down and immensely worried about the bandaaid solution that the Malinauskas Labor government has on the table in terms of how to deal with traffic movements in and around the town of Hahndorf.

It is not ideal to have trucks going down the main street of Hahndorf. We know that, but the solution put in place by Minister Koutsantonis and backed to the hilt by Premier Malinauskas is far from ideal. It will see up to 130 trucks per day move down River Road in Hahndorf and onto Strathalbyn Road and beyond, putting immense pressure on these roads, putting at risk the lives of pedestrians, other road users and even people going about their day-to-day lives in their homes and gardens around that area.

The government have said that they will undertake upgrades to River Road, but we do not know when they will occur by. We do not know the extent of them, and we are pretty certain that the envelope of money on the table for those upgrades is nowhere near enough to undertake the widening, the shoulder sealing, the intersection enhancement and the very significant embankment building that will be required to get these roads fit for purpose. We know that the government have not sought advice from national bodies that could provide feedback into this.

We know that the concept has been arrogantly cooked up by the department and possibly even the minister himself. It has not resulted in the right outcome, and in fact the community outrage that we are seeing now is a direct consequence of the community being ignored. This community have not been engaged with. This community have not been brought along on the journey. They have been given a solution—and I do not think we can even use the term 'solution'—that will not deliver for that community and will not result in safety being the primary outcome—quite the opposite.

On Sunday, Premier Malinauskas was invited to visit Hahndorf. He was invited to sit in a semitrailer and move along River Road and Strathalbyn Road from Hahndorf to Echunga. That is an invitation that I took up. It is an invitation that the shadow minister took up. It is an invitation that the local member took up, Josh Teague, the member for Heysen, a strong advocate for Hahndorf and a leading voice in this debate. It was an invitation that the Premier chose not to take up. He was happy to stay down in Adelaide doing the usual selfies on sports fields rather than travel to a regional community that was suffering because of his government's poor decision-making.

Travelling along River Road and Strathalbyn Road in that truck made me very conscious of the dangers facing that community. The trucks cannot go above the speed limit. They cannot get anywhere near the speed limit. They will travel slowly and cautiously down that road, but even doing that will not make it safer for residents. It will not make it safer for truck drivers. It will not make it safer for other road users. This is a potential disaster for the Hahndorf community.

It is a disaster that is directly of the Labor government's making, their city-centric approach and their desire not to engage communities effectively. They are dripping with arrogance and, as a consequence, someone's life is going to be put at risk. I want to end by quoting local resident Emma Smith, who said that she can tell with a fair amount of certainty that there will be a fatality on this road. Her biggest fear is a logging truck going through her kid's bedroom window. It is time that this government ended the arrogance and listened to the people of Hahndorf.

### NEWLAND ELECTORATE

**Ms SAVVAS (Newland) (15:18):** I would like to acknowledge today in the house Banksia Park School R-6, one of the beautiful schools in my electorate of Newland. I would particularly like to acknowledge the work of Kryss and Katie at the school, who run the very popular Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program. Many members would be familiar with the program. Basically, it is run by trained garden and kitchen specialists to give students the opportunity to grow, cook and share healthy meals with other students in their classes.

At Banksia Park, all students from reception to year 6 partake in the kitchen garden. They grow veggies, they care for the chickens in the chicken coop, they follow recipes, set the table, wash dishes and eat at the table together, practising their table manners. I have had the great pleasure of volunteering in the kitchen garden at Banksia Park on three separate occasions now and we have made a variety of recipes. We made an Asian noodle salad, we made focaccias, we made nasi goreng, and last week with the reception class we made cold rolls and healthy choc chip banana muffins.

Each group is split into kitchens with adult helpers. They take turns cutting the veggies or stirring the ingredients, and I have given some of my students who have been with me the role of 'recipe master' where they get the opportunity to direct the group and let them know what they have to do next. They all get excited, and I love the way they share recipes from home and they share different skills they have learned from their mums and dads and grandparents in the kitchen with their friends.

They are also expected to try new things. There was one little boy I was sitting with who really wanted a second muffin but who had not had a cold roll yet. I told him he had to have some more cold rolls before he went into the muffins. Originally he said no, saying he did not like it, but a few minutes later I came back and he was onto his second cold roll, had not touched the muffins and had found a new food that he enjoyed.

I think it is a really good experience for the students. They obviously get to learn how to grow things and cook things but also how to relate to one another, how to make their own food, how to be safe and kind to each other in the kitchen, and I think it is a really wonderful program.

At the end, they also thank the volunteers in Auslan, which is another important aspect of what they do at Banksia Park school, and they teach their volunteers how to thank the kitchen staff as well. I would like to say for the record a special thanks to Kryss and Katie again and all the volunteers who make the Banksia Park kitchen garden the successful project that it is.

It would be remiss of me today, dressed in a mustard colour, to stand in this place and not acknowledge the mighty, mighty Modbury Hawks football club. For most of the season, not all but most, the Modbury Hawks have been undefeated and Modbury have shown time and time again in every division that they are a force to be reckoned with.

The mighty Hawkettes played Loreto in the grand final a few weeks ago and, although they were unsuccessful, they put up a brilliant fight. I really want to commend the women's side who have gone from strength to strength since winning the grand final in their first year a few years ago. I would also like to acknowledge Meagan, from my office, who played a very good game and broke her foot in three places. Unfortunately, they did not take home the win and I do not envy her hubby, Reece, who is also the coach, who has to make the decision as to whether she returns to football next year. But it was a really great season for the girls and I would like to acknowledge the hard work of the Hawkettes at the Modbury Hawks football club in the last few months particularly.

We were also welcomed on Sponsors Day at Modbury on Sunday. I went along with the member for Wright and the member for King, and I would like to thank the volunteers who put on that day—Gorby, Buddha, Tania, Sandy, Daren and so many others who made it an awesome environment as always. We well and truly feel like we are family at the Hawks and I think that they have shown us the true community spirit that they have, not just for their members and their players but for the community around us.

This weekend there are qualifying finals for the A, B, C and D sides at the Modbury Hawks and I do want to wish them all the best of luck. We very much look forward to joining them and seeing

lots of their teams in the big dances in weeks to come. I would like to again acknowledge the players, the coaches and the volunteers who make this club such an awesome place and thank them for bringing us into their communities and into their lives as part of their own, so thank you.

### HAHNDORF TRUCK DIVERSION

**Mr TEAGUE (Heysen) (15:23):** On 24 August, the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport stood at Hahndorf and announced a plan to divert heavy trucks—long and heavy trucks—down River Road to the bottom of River Road and along Strathalbyn Road as a diversion away from Main Street.

Far from committing to the bypass that state and federal Liberal governments set aside \$250 million to achieve, the minister instead—without consulting local residents, without consulting industry and without, dare I say, saying a word to the local state member of parliament—announced a click of the fingers plan to exclude those long and heavy trucks from Main Street, Hahndorf, and instead push them down River Road to Strathalbyn Road. Against the background of no consultation, what did the local residents do? On Sunday just gone, and the Sunday prior to that, local residents made very clear their view, their knowledge, that this plan is not safe. River Road is not safe for heavy and long vehicles.

To make good that proposition, local residents were supported by the truck drivers who operate in that area on a daily basis who were moved equally to come and to spend their own precious time on those two Sunday mornings to bring their teams, and to bring their trucks, to show that this cannot happen. It is not safe and must be stopped. I say it is a click of the fingers decision.

The minister has said that, as of 1 November, these trucks are going to go down this road. In the same breath, the minister says, 'Well, the government is going to spend some amount of money,' and he said, 'It might be \$30 million or it might be \$40 million, and we might make it safe.' Of course, the truth was borne out in radio interviews in days following when the question was put to the minister, 'If the road is safe, why are you spending the \$30 million or \$40 million on it? If you are going to spend the \$30 million or \$40 million, how is that going to make it safe?' The minister had absolutely no answer for either of those propositions.

I want to take my hat off in tribute to those many local residents who have not only spoken up against this dangerous plan but they have spoken sense to government, they have spoken sense to power and they have taken all necessary steps reasonably to do so, and they ought to be applauded. I want to thank in particular Ben Simounds at Simounds Transport and Ben's father, Anthony, who came and joined him last Sunday, bringing their two livestock trucks along to demonstrate this route and how dangerous it is for them and those that they would confront.

I want to thank Pete Magarey and his team from Magarey Transport for loading up long trucks at the end of a long week on Friday, running a log truck on Friday afternoon and then running log trucks fully loaded on Sunday in both directions for the Leader of the Opposition and for the shadow minister for infrastructure and transport to see for themselves. I have done this now several times, and I can tell the house that it only took one time for me to hop down from that truck and to be moved to call on the Premier to come out and see it for himself, because I can tell all those here that it was immediately obvious that these roads are not fit for this purpose.

We have heard from the minister in various forums, including today, that this is a general access road. It is a general access road because, if you are going to pick up a mob of sheep from a particular location, you have to be able to get there. Just about every road in the state is a general access road; it does not make it a freight route. It is no answer to say, 'Well, this is a general access road, so no change, nothing to see here.'

There is going to be a transfer, as we understand, to state responsibility so works can be done, and there is a decision to ban heavy vehicles from the main road of Hahndorf. Those two decisions together mean that the government cannot wash its hands of responsibility for what occurs as a result of this bad decision. The decision that now needs to be taken by the Premier is to stop this before it starts, so tribute to all those who have spoken up, and I am just one.

Do not believe a word you hear from the minister about plans of previous governments to run trucks down River Road. It was ruled out by Jacobs in 2020 and, as a reminder, the government's



own report conducted by AECOM in the last year referred to it and again ruled it out. So there has never been a suggestion that this occur. It should not occur. It must be stopped right now.

### GLITTER GANG

**Mrs PEARCE (King) (15:29):** In our line of work, very few days look the same. We are out and about in our community in myriads of ways. We are reflecting the views and priorities of our communities here in this place and, of course, we are introducing and debating important legislation for the betterment of our state. However, I recently had one particular experience that was like no other I have had before. It was a little scary, it was empowering and it was absolutely exhilarating.

I spent the afternoon out at Mallala with the incredible Glitter Gang, a fantastic group of women who are passionate about motorsport and increasing female participation within the sport. These women are an elite group of drifters and the very first all-female drift group here in South Australia. Hats off to the six founding members: Hayley Jones, Bonnie Thomas, Lucy Ellis, Renae Sullivan, Briony Solomon and Kimi Szyjko for what they have achieved.

Glitter Gang has been created to provide a safe environment for women who are interested in exploring motorsport further and who want to give drifting a go. I have never had a more welcoming and supportive event, one where each of the participants is there just as much to support one another to do their best as they are to being there for themselves to achieve their own personal best in a field they love.

I am very pleased to share that I got to ride shotgun—and it is safe to say that I packed it just a little bit—and I got to see these amazing women in action and experience firsthand their skills in some exceptional, specially built vehicles. I rode with Lucy, who turned her first car, her dream car, into a drifting machine. In her Nissan Silvia S13, we spun out at speeds of over 150 km/h, hitting those bends flying sideways. In fact, Lucy shared that whilst on track she believes she had her best lap ever, one where we managed to drift through every turn possible on the circuit. I do not think I have ever had such an adrenaline rush as I did that afternoon.

After years of being interested in motorsport, Lucy explained that, without a platform to get involved in herself, she found it so empowering to have been able to help create a safe space for other women. The women involved come from all backgrounds; some are involved in local government and public relations, others are in graphic design and defence. One incredible participant has been rocking it in a male-dominated industry for some time, having been a mechanic for about 20 years and owning her own business. They are all absolute superstars.

That is why I am so pleased that this government has chosen to back them—because we back female participation and we back motorsport here in our state. In fact, Glitter Gang was one of the first recipients to receive funding through our Car Club Program, which was used to help get more women involved in this fantastic event. Events like this drift day help to generate a surge of excitement, capturing the attention not only of locals but also of motoring enthusiasts across the nation. By attracting visitors to South Australia, events like this help to boost tourism, inject vibrancy into regional communities and promote the state as a premier destination for motoring enthusiasts.

I for one know that these amazing women celebrated a great day out over at the Mallala pub afterwards, followed by a day out exploring the Barossa over the weekend—and that is exactly what we want to see. Car and motorcycle clubs have a long and proud history in South Australia, and these grants, whether for events, infrastructure or operational purposes, help to keep our car and motorcycle clubs going from strength to strength. I am so pleased to have had the opportunity to experience this firsthand.

I would also like to take a few moments to second the member for Newland's sentiments about the great efforts of the Modbury Hawks football club over the weekend. It has got to be quite a fierce competition in the north-east because I am very proud to share that the As and Bs for the Golden Grove Football Club have also made it into the grand final, which means we have secured going up another division into next year.

It is safe to say we have some incredible champions out in the north-east, and the netball club is doing very well as well. The Northeast Zodiacs senior 6 team won the grand final just

yesterday and the Golden Grove Netball Club is also doing incredibly well in a few different areas, fields and divisions.

### RECREATION AND SPORT FUNDING

**Mr ELLIS (Narungga) (15:34):** I rise today to talk about a regulatory change that is going to have a significant impact on our local sporting and community clubs in Narungga, and I would like to bring it to the attention of this house so that it can consider changing it before it is too late.

I was recently contacted by the secretary of the Hummocks Watchman Eagles Football Club, Robyn Hayes, who brought to my attention the fact that they had recently received a grant from the Office for Rec, Sport and Racing in order to provide their players with some training guernseys. It was a wonderful thing and the grant was warmly received by that club. However, upon receiving it they were advised that, as at 30 June 2025, they will not be eligible to receive any more grants because they need to satisfy certain gender quotas on their board.

They were informed that there would need to be at least 40 per cent females on their board in order for them to qualify for grant funding. Upon receiving this advice from them, I took it upon myself to do some research and digging because, whilst it is an admirable aim, and we acknowledge and support that there need to be more women on boards at state level and corporate level in our economy and whatnot, it is a completely different kettle of fish, I think, when it comes to our local sporting and community clubs.

I took it upon myself to do some research. I did some googling and found the Office for Rec, Sport and Racing's website, which states, and I quote:

Not for profit organisations, including community sport and recreation organisations such as clubs and associations will be required to meet the minimum of 40% women on their governing board/committee by 30 June 2025 to be eligible for Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing funding.

Upon receiving that update, I became a little concerned. I thought that there is going to be significant impact on our community and, having served on a number of community committees and sporting clubs I know that, at least in the country, it is a case of begging people to help rather than cherry-picking certain demographics that will satisfy quotas and that it would become very difficult for a great many clubs in my electorate to satisfy that criterion.

I did a quick little survey—it was not an exhaustive one; it was a quick survey—and we ended up getting 22 clubs participating. It was a random sample from across the electorate of big towns, small towns and different sports, and 73 per cent said that they expected not to be able to meet the quota of 40 per cent women and 40 per cent men by 30 June 2025. That is three-quarters of our clubs that would be ineligible for grant funding from the Office for Rec, Sport and Racing on the basis of the volunteers they have been able to secure—they have begged to help out—and it would leave them short and at a disadvantage compared with other clubs.

Of those 22 clubs, 95 per cent said they were likely to apply for funding in the short term, and 19 of them formally opposed the gender quota policy. Some of the comments we received I will quote:

In a small country community it is so difficult to get volunteers, regardless of gender. This will mean that clubs that rely on funding will miss out. It will be devastating for some small sports clubs that don't have enough of the other gender to fill quotas.

Another quote:

Being a small community club, we take what volunteers are willing to donate their time and effort. Membership comes in waves and as our society is becoming increasingly older, we have less members putting their hands up to assist in the running of the club.

Finally, another quote:

This proposed legislation is farcical—another example of government law makers being out of touch with community volunteers.

You can see that there are significant concerns out there in the community about how local sporting clubs will be able to attract funding going forward.

It is a significant issue because the sporting clubs and community clubs in my electorate are the hubs of the town. They are where people come together, where they meet, where they do their working bees and where they have their community gatherings. If those clubs are unable to attract funding, it would put their very livelihood at risk and would leave that town deprived of a community hub and meeting spot. I will be following this up. I have written to the minister, seeking a change to exclude community sporting clubs and not-for-profit clubs from this policy.

As I said, it is an admirable goal to have at a state board level, to have at a corporate level and other such things, but I think that, when it comes to community sporting clubs and not-for-profit clubs, we just need everyone who is willing to help to be able to help. We need those people who are willing to put their hand up to answer the call to be allowed on the board and the club not to be at a disadvantage when it comes to seeking grant money. I will be calling on the government to change this policy. I think that, whilst it is well intentioned, it will have dire consequences for our community sporting clubs and, by extension, our small country towns.

### GIBSON ELECTORATE

**S.E. ANDREWS (Gibson) (15:38):** Since being elected as the member for Gibson, I have been proud to stand alongside my community in fighting for significant and regulated trees. There have been some significant events in the last 18 months where significant trees have been cut down to the devastation of the community, the environment and our habitat.

There was the one we fought gallantly against where Jarvis Toyota cut down a significant tree on Brighton Road. There were of course swathes of gums that were cut down on the old Le Cornu site in preparation for housing development, and now there are hundreds and hundreds of us watching with interest to see if the proposed ice arena at 262 Sturt Road is going to put in its development application a desire to cut down two regulated trees. We watch with interest.

Most recently, there has been a devastating event in our community, as 13 regulated trees were cut down in the middle of the night. This occurred at the old Dover Gardens Primary School site. This site has been empty for 10 years, and it has been green open space with gum trees littered across it and significant trees right in the centre of it. Ever since I have been elected—in fact, even during my campaign—people have asked me what is happening at the site. There has been deep interest in this site because of the open space it delivers, the fresh air that we get and the wildlife we get.

There are owls in those trees, and there are lorikeets, cockatoos, koalas. These are the kinds of open spaces we want to protect in Gibson, and I am fighting to do it. Unfortunately, we had a terrible event about a month ago, when on a Saturday night some people came onto the fenced off site in unmarked vans and with chainsaws cut down the 13 regulated trees in the middle of the site. We can only assume who might have done it. We are deeply interested to find out, and we are doing our best to uncover all the layers of company interests that are currently available to us.

I put out a survey to the community, I have been doorknocking in the community and they have been calling regardless because they care about open space and regulated trees. They were shocked to hear chainsaws on a Saturday night. People started walking the streets asking what was going on. I heard that one person saw a woman with a chainsaw in the middle of the site cutting down a tree with a baby strapped to her back. This is a dangerous activity. This is why we need to protect our gums and do everything we can to make sure sites are safe.

Events like these just strengthen my resolve to fight for better tree protection in our community. We know that according to Planet Ark's 2019 report, *Living Cities: Trees in the Urban Environment*, a tree with a diameter of 77 centimetres is able to remove 50 kilograms of carbon in the atmosphere per year. The impact of these 13 trees to our carbon footprint, to our local ecosystem and to the local community's environment, is significant.

I am also advised that many of these trees were planted by students at Dover Gardens Primary School, so another piece of history has gone from our community as well as the trees, the habitat, the clean air and the open space. If these trees were taken down without complying with the appropriate processes, as we can assume they were on a Saturday night, it is my understanding that

the maximum penalty that can be claimed under the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act is \$120,000—the equivalent of just over \$9,000 a tree. This does not replace what was lost.

This amount might be considered reasonable if it was for one landowner developing a site, yet the size of the allotment at 100 Folkestone Road, Dover Gardens, is sufficient for any developer to recoup their loss and make significant returns. I call on us all to turn our minds to the fact that we must increase the fees for these kinds of activities to prevent people from going down this path. This amount is clearly not substantial enough as any kind of deterrent for people trying to make a profit from removing significant and regulated trees.

I stand by my community to continue to fight for our significant and regulated trees and our urban tree canopy, and I look forward to talking again with the minister to progress this matter.

### *Bills*

## **APPROPRIATION BILL 2023**

### *Estimates Committees*

Adjourned debate on motion:

That the proposed expenditures referred to Estimates Committees A and B be agreed to.

**Mr COWDREY (Colton) (15:44):** I rise today to make a contribution on the bill before the house, the Appropriation Bill on return from the estimates committee. I first extend thanks to the government for their flexibility in allowing this contribution to be made in the debate.

If I reflect on estimates this year, the first thing that comes to my mind is really a reflection of the Treasurer's inability to verbalise the true statistics that sat within the budget. There was an absolute unwillingness from him to confirm what we knew, what was sitting there in the budget paper in black and white in regard to the financial performance of the state under this Labor government over the last 12 months: to have seen the projected \$249 million surplus disappear and turn into effectively a similar-sized deficit over that 12-month period, to see additional GST revenue into the state, to see additional state taxation revenue into the state over that period of time.

It really does make you wonder what was happening in each of the offices of CEs around this government to see every single department—just about everybody except for the Electoral Commissioner—overspend their stated budgets for the year, in the order of well over \$1 billion. It is unfathomable that, in the first effective 12 months of a real budget from this Malinauskas government, that was the approach to fiscal discipline we have seen.

In question time today, the Premier almost laughably reflected on how his government had made the hard decisions around fiscal management and that they should be applauded for their approach to spending. Well, it is quite simple, sir: spending other people's money is not very difficult. Showing restraint and control and being sensible with the state's finances is far more difficult, and that is certainly what this budget paper represents.

What is more, it was very difficult, across a number of the questions that were asked, to get any real detail from the Treasurer—whether that was asking questions in regard to the River Murray flood recovery and how much had been dispensed out of each of those funds, whether that was looking at what was required for the Department for Health this financial year, or as to the government hitting their supposed surplus for this 12 months.

We know that the budget papers reflect that, essentially, the Treasurer is asking SA Health to spend \$300 million less this year than they did the year before. I simply pose a rhetorical question to this chamber and to those more broadly: when was the last time SA Health spent more in a financial year and does anybody really think that that is feasible?

If we look more broadly across some of the questions that were put to the Treasurer during estimates a number of months ago now, there was a clear issue that started to rear its head in regard to transparency. That goes across a number of areas and questions that were asked, whether that was in regard to the Treasurer's trip to the US and the machinations around that—who he met and whether there was value for money delivered to the taxpayer.

It goes to the very heart of the question that many around South Australia, in the media, in the opposition and more broadly have been asking for a significant period of time now in regard to the investment that the South Australian government has made in Gather Round. Nobody is necessarily saying that that is a bad idea, but surely the people of South Australia should have the opportunity to determine if that money has been used in a way that delivers value for money, because in the absence of having that information it is very difficult for anybody to make a sensible determination as to whether it is or is not in the best interest of South Australians more broadly.

And it lends itself to what we have seen over the last couple of months in particular: whether you look at the River Road issue that the Minister for Transport has managed to wind himself into or if you look at the relocation of the SAPOL Mounted Operations Unit, there was a growing approach of 'Just take our word, it's all going to be fine.' There is a growing approach where it is difficult to get any information out of this government about decisions and what information has been relied upon to make those decisions.

One issue in particular that I want to raise in a very similar vein is in regard to a grant that was provided out of the Department for Infrastructure and Transport to the value of \$1.5 million to the Croatian Club. There are but a couple of sentences in the budget paper describing what that grant is for. When questions were put to the Treasurer in regard to that particular allocation of money—what process was involved, were other clubs offered the same opportunity to seek funding up to that amount, was it an open and transparent process, how was the amount of money that was put aside for this project determined to be good value for taxpayers' money and how was it assessed against other similar projects—the answer from the Treasurer was, 'I don't know. I will take it on notice.' The response that came back was a couple of lines essentially saying it was considered and approved by cabinet in the normal course of preparing the cabinet documents. Is that good enough?

We have obviously raised questions previously in regard to election commitments. It is not clear whether this even was an election commitment. It is not clear what process was involved, how this money was allocated, what department and public officials were involved in the decision-making process, or what ministers or otherwise were or were not involved in the process. None of that is clear. That is not good government—that is not good government by any stretch of the imagination—and certainly, I think, something that our investigative bodies should be looking at is how this payment was made and the circumstances that surround it. Did it come out of the Premier's Delivery Unit? None of these questions has any real answer and there are serious questions that need to be answered in regard to that payment.

If we look at the SAPOL relocation of the horses, we dove into the Treasurer's time taking trips to Brisbane and Melbourne to look at the operation of other jurisdictions' mounted operation units. Now we can certainly reflect that the Treasurer did not bring back an approach that prioritised value for money in his trips. We have come now to learn that that relocation of the horses and the other various SAPOL activities that need to be relocated are going to cost the taxpayer somewhere close to \$100 million.

It is not even the fact that the cost has escalated; it is the fact that we are going to get a much diminished service but still be expending that amount of money. SAPOL themselves have said that they expect the response time to increase from what is currently 10 minutes to something in the order of 40 minutes or even potentially up to 50 minutes to respond to events. We are spending \$100 million and we are getting a diminished service from that. If that is sensible decision-making, let me tell you it does not make a lot of sense to me. It is a hefty price tag by any stretch of the imagination and certainly media commentary has reflected that.

In regard to SA Water, I did want to touch on this for a period of time as well. We have the preparation, as we know, with what happens every four years with SA Water preparing their four-yearly plan. We asked a pretty simple question of the Treasurer as to whether he had provided any advice or had a discussion with SA Water about the regulatory asset base and the pricing order that was going to need to be made and the discussion that happens at these times between the Treasurer's office and SA Water.

These estimates took place on 29 June. The Premier's response was that he had not turned his mind to the pricing order at all. Through FOI, his diary indicates that the Treasurer met with

SA Water on 28 March, 12 April and 16 May, prior to this estimates process. I am very keen to understand—given the fact that this is the biggest decision that SA Water make, certainly in regard to their interaction with Treasury over a four-year period, I find it difficult to believe that any discussion whatsoever around that pricing order had not come up in those meetings that the Treasurer undertook during that period of time.

As I touched on earlier, this is the first estimates where we really have had to look closely at the decisions that have been made by this government. The first budget, of course, is essentially the delivery of election commitments. Now we get to the point of looking closely at the decisions that are being made and the changes that are being made across government and also by specific departments. It is clear to us that the level of transparency that was talked about prior to coming to government, certainly, has never eventuated by any stretch of the imagination.

I will also turn briefly to a local issue on which I have asked a number of questions in a number of estimates processes, which is the sand management and beach management review that is occurring at the moment in regard to the metropolitan coastline. Only one section—the southern beaches—has had a reticulation system in place now for nearly 10, or close to 15, years that has served those beaches well. We had the government come in promising to undertake a review and tear up the contract and the long-term solution that was in place.

I am certainly none the wiser, off the back end of the estimates process, as to what the government's plan is and what they are actually looking to do. The only thing we have really learned is that the options that are going to be put forward at this point are not going to have been assessed for their viability or their cost, so it is difficult to move quickly off the back of that to start. The options report was meant to be released last Friday. That was the information provided to the working group that has been meeting with the department in regard to this review. We clearly did not see it released on Friday, we did not see anything yesterday and, again, we are still waiting.

After what is now 15 months of this government, we are no closer to seeing a solution to the significant erosion issues that are there on our metropolitan coastline, particularly through my local area—whether that be at West Beach, where we had essentially seen the beach completely restored and started again, to now Henley Beach South and Henley Beach and moving further north. The longer we do not have a solution in place, the worse those beaches are going to fare, particularly as we head into windier weather and weather that has had more significant effects on our coastline over time.

I also want to briefly discuss some of the other responsibilities that I have, particularly in regard to questions that were put around the public sector and in regard to SafeWork SA. It is very clear, from responses that have since come back to me from the Attorney-General, that there is a lot of work to be done in ensuring that SafeWork SA are appropriately staffed. We are not just, at this point in time, asking SafeWork SA to undertake their normal responsibilities. We are asking SafeWork SA potentially, in the not too distant future, to take additional responsibilities that have not been there previously.

We know, given the responses that have been provided to me today in regard to SafeWork SA staffing, that there are significant shortfalls in inspectors and investigators at SafeWork SA. The parliament can work collaboratively. We can do everything that we can to ensure that workers are safe in the workplace and that the mutual obligation that employers and employees have in keeping each other safe in the workplace is entitled to, but if we do not properly staff SafeWork SA, if we do not ask SafeWork SA to investigate incidents, if we do not have SafeWork SA investigating instances where they are reported, both in the paper and more broadly—we still have no answers in regard to what happened in the building directly opposite this place.

We know that SafeWork has had a look at it but decided not to pursue it. We still do not understand why. These were questions that were asked through the estimates process. These are questions that still remain unanswered by this government. They are significant, and it reflects poorly on the approach of this government to this point and their ability to sell and to deliver election commitments more broadly.

On a final note, if you look at the trajectory of the budget moving forward, it is clear that there cannot be an overspend anywhere close to what occurred this financial year moving forward. There

is just no doubt about that. I know that everybody on this side of the house and I know that the public more broadly will be looking very closely at what happens over the coming 12 months.

Traditionally, we are well aware of the Labor Party's approach. I know everybody more broadly has seen what was done under the Weatherill government to get us to the point where additional taxes needed to be put in place to cover the spending that was done. It goes without saying that nothing has changed, certainly in our eyes. Labor still cannot be trusted to manage money, to manage budgets. The questions that were raised during the estimates process have certainly confirmed that to me.

Debate adjourned on motion of Mr Odenwalder.

### **STATUTES AMENDMENT (BUDGET MEASURES) BILL**

#### *Second Reading*

Adjourned debate on second reading (resumed on motion).

**Mr COWDREY (Colton) (16:03):** I rise today to provide a contribution on the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill. I indicate that I am the lead speaker for the opposition and that the opposition will not be standing in the way of the passage of this bill through parliament. As you would be well aware, Acting Speaker, it is convention for such a bill to pass through this parliament, but of course there are times, historically, when opposing such a bill has been required.

I think back to when the Liberal opposition, led by the member for Dunstan, opposed the bank tax that the Weatherill government was trying to impose on the state at that point in time. The public backlash against the \$370 million bank tax was phenomenal. The people of South Australia were right to think that, as customers of those banks, ultimately they would be the ones paying the price through higher fees and charges. They are also right to believe that jobs and investment would be lost into South Australia should that tax have proceeded.

The Liberal Party was correct at that point in time to oppose the budget measures bill—and let me assure you that this opposition is no different. If the state government puts forward a proposal that we believe is not in the long-term interests of South Australia and its people, we will not be shy in ensuring that we take up the fight when and if it is needed, which brings me to the budget measures that were outlined in the bill this year.

The first of those that I want to briefly touch on is the emergency services levy. Obviously, the rate settings are changed every year—well, at times in one direction, at times in the other. Certainly, under this government, to this point we have seen nothing but increases, and that really at its crux draws the stark contrast in approach from the previous government, led by the member for Dunstan, and where we are at the moment.

Members on this side of the house certainly appreciate that there did need to be some changes in the settings that were made. In my previous contribution, we just talked about the fact that spending had become out of control, that we were at the point of the then Treasurer, the member for West Torrens, seeking to introduce new taxes to South Australia to punish businesses and families.

By contrast, the previous government took the opposite approach. The previous government decided, quite rightly, that there needed to be reduced costs of living for South Australian families, that there needed to be reduced costs of doing business for South Australian businesses in this state. That is why that approach to reinstall the remissions in regard to the emergency services levy were taken and why emergency services levy bills for South Australian families dropped in the initial year of the Marshall Liberal government.

We then had the decision in regard to SA Water bills where we found that the regulatory asset base had been significantly overvalued by the previous government, leading to increased water bills above what they needed to actually pay for South Australian families and businesses.

Then we get to the issue of payroll tax—again, a tax that needed to be changed. We wanted to, and did, provide essentially an abolition of stamp duty for small businesses with a payroll up to \$1.5 million. What I found completely laughable in an answer in question time today—to be

completely honest, you cannot even make this stuff up—was we had the Premier there describing the actions of this new modern Labor Party as being the reason that South Australia has the regulatory business environment it does today.

We are discussing the very bill that makes changes to that regulatory environment. If we look back at this bill last year, the only real change was the emergency services levy going up. So not a single decision of this government has actually played into any of that regulatory environment setting being in place.

The decisions that I have just talked about in regard to the reduction in SA Water bills, the reduction in the payroll tax threshold, the reduction in the emergency services levy when the former government were on the treasury bench are what have set this state to be the most competitive place in Australia to do business. It is laughable that the Premier has the gall to stand up in question time and take credit for something that he has quite plainly not taken any actions to move in the right direction.

That leads me to the stamp duty changes that this government has made. Again, I will stand here any day and say without a shadow of a doubt that taking steps to make housing more affordable for South Australians is a good thing. That is clear. What was not clear during the time post budget, particularly immediately post the budget when we had trucks running up and down North Terrace saying this government has abolished stamp duty for new homebuyers—well, the caveats and the asterisks were left off that media rolling around the town. It was only later, once you started to crawl into the detail, that you found out that it is only for new homebuyers, that it is only for new houses, that it is only for houses up to a value of \$650,000.

On the back of this, we set up an online tracker, where people could work out whether they were in fact eligible for what I will call a stamp duty concession rather than abolition because I think 'abolition' is probably a little bit too much of a stretch to cover the field in regard to what is actually in place. The house would probably be surprised by how many people contacted us saying that they did not understand that they were not going to be eligible. The silver bullet that was being thrown out as the solution to our housing crisis from this government was so narrow in scope that what seemed like something that was going to apply to nearly every first-home buyer actually applied to very few.

You only have to go, as we did during the estimates process, and work through the numbers themselves. For the program, \$125 million has been put towards the concession over a four-year period. That breaks down to roughly \$32 million a year, and then we are talking approximately 3,500 people having access to that fund. I have taken the liberty of doing the quick maths for the house, and it works out, on average, to an \$8,000 concession. Would it surprise the house to learn that it equates to approximately \$250,000 in value?

It is this very government that is saying, 'We actually don't expect first-home buyers buying new builds to be accessing this grant.' If we were to more aptly describe the measure, it is essentially a payroll tax concession on new land; that is what it should be named. If you break it down through the numbers the government have supplied themselves through their budget papers, we are talking about an \$8,000 concession on new land.

Again, every step that is taken to make housing more affordable in this state in the period of time we are in is a good thing. Nobody on this side is saying it is bad. What we are saying, though, is that you should be up-front about how you communicate this to the people of South Australia. Do not promise a Ferrari and deliver a Datsun. Do not say that this is going to solve the problems in our housing market.

It is clear that it is an absolute furphy to run around and say that we are abolishing stamp duty for first-home buyers—an absolute furphy. I talked earlier about the fact that we had the online tracker set up so that people could determine whether they were or were not eligible. I am reliably informed that the government have actually gone and done it themselves now, to point out to residents whether they are or are not eligible.

I have spoken about the ESL and I have spoken now about the stamp duty concession. What I want to reflect on again briefly—because it is important and it is fundamental to what we are talking about and the settings that can be changed through a budget process, and it has been made clear



through this document where a threshold has been changed in regard to the first-home owners grant—is that this Treasurer has from time to time turned their mind to looking at the issues of adjusting thresholds. They certainly have in regard to housing. However, if you look across just about every other area, if you look at the revenue from the taxation that is coming into this state, in every other area the government has effectively benefited from not touching any of the settings.

In my previous contribution, I talked about the stark contrast with the Marshall government and our approach to reducing the cost of living and the cost of doing business here in South Australia. This is the complete opposite. We are in an environment where we have nation-leading inflation, where we have wages growing, where we have property prices increasing and where every component of a household's budget is feeling the pressure.

I could again go back to the fact that the Treasurer, on radio a year and a half ago, made the point that if the need were there, that if inflation were still running rife, he would step in and make changes to the standard calculation and reduce cost to South Australians. He did not do that. Instead, we see a budget that was overspent by well over \$1 billion, additional GST revenues into the state in the order of \$320-odd million more than was projected when the budget was handed down.

Based on inflation, based on everyday Australians going out there spending more for goods than they ever anticipated at the start of the financial year just to deliver the same goods they need, based on the payrolls of South Australian businesses escalating, in a crunch where everybody is competing to have staff, what we have is essentially a government that has been benefiting from both ends of the stick in regard to inflation.

Inflation is, without a doubt, this Treasurer's magical money tree that he hides out the back of Treasury, but it is the people of South Australia and the businesses of South Australia that are watering it and growing it for this government. There was no cutting of the cloth in terms of spending from government; it was just quietly, 'Let the thresholds creep. Let's take more and more.' That is the approach this government have taken.

While their promise, coming to the election, was no new taxes, we certainly know that the tax revenue coming into this state is far above and beyond what was expected—not just when this budget was handed down but significantly more than when budgets were handed down the year before that.

On the back of those comments I would like to briefly turn to the bigger picture in regard to the opportunities that were there or that could have been presented through this budget measures bill and, more broadly, the budget. Again, laughably, we had the Premier in here today taking credit for the good financial fiscal environment, regulatory environment, that we have here in South Australia, listing off the achievements of his government. I challenge him to ask everyday South Australians whether they think South Australia is in a good place right now, whether they think the South Australian economy is in a good place right now.

What is coming out of his mouth is so starkly different from what we are hearing at doors, what everybody here is hearing on the radio and what is plainly clear in regard to statistics. We have one of the highest unemployment rates in the nation, we have the highest level of inflation in the country, we have the highest electricity costs in the nation, and we know that we have South Australian families now paying \$20,000 a year more for the basics—housing, food, electricity, petrol—than they were when this government was elected.

There was no broad cost-of-living relief for all families through this budget, as we have touched on previously on a number of occasions. Not only did we lose the opportunity of being frank with the South Australian public about presenting where we really are but we had a government, a Treasurer and a Premier who managed to turn a \$259 million surplus into a near similar-sized deficit. We have blowouts in just about every significant infrastructure project across the state and we have a budget that is just simply out of control moving forward.

There is a lot that could have been done in this budget. There is nearly \$700 million of initial revenue that could have gone to housing, that could have gone to providing additional relief for first-home buyers and that could have gone to supporting our children coming into the early years

education system, but instead we had budget blowouts and a budget position that does not reflect well on this government.

**Mr BROWN (Florey) (16:20):** I am pleased to speak in support of this bill and in so doing to support the advancement of initiatives within the Malinauskas Labor government's second budget.

It is a budget that reflects our priorities of working towards a more sustainable, more efficient health system that better meets the needs of our community, helping make home ownership more accessible to more people, reforming rental laws and supplying more public housing and more affordable housing, and doing what we can to relieve the cost-of-living pressures that are presenting challenges to so many South Australians.

As others and the Treasurer have made clear, the bill before us contains amendments to relevant legislation that will enable our government to implement measures announced in the budget. Namely, this bill proposes to amend the Emergency Services Funding Act 1998, the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000, the Land Tax Act 1936 and the Stamp Duties Act 1923.

Rather than simply elucidate each of the amendments to the above acts that are contained in this bill, I will seek to contribute my views on why the initiatives that some of these amendments in particular will facilitate are so important for our community and reflect on the outcomes that we intend will arise from them.

By amending the Stamp Duties Act 1923 we abolish stamp duty for eligible first-home buyers who are buying a new home with a value of up to \$650,000 with relief progressively phased out for properties valued up to \$700,000. Stamp duty will also not be payable on the purchase of vacant land on which a new home will be built for land valued up to \$400,000 with relief phasing out for land valued up to \$450,000.

This bill also amends the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000 to increase the property value cap for eligibility for the \$15,000 First Home Owner Grant. Currently, the grant is not payable if the market value of the property exceeds \$575,000. This amendment will mean the grant is not payable if the market value of the relevant home exceeds \$650,000.

All told, these changes mean that, when combined with the stamp duty relief we are bringing, an eligible first-home buyer could receive total relief of up to \$44,580 on the purchase of a new home valued at \$650,000. We anticipate that these measures will assist around 3,800 South Australian first-home buyers each year. To be eligible for the stamp duty relief, the new home must be occupied by the buyer as their principal place of residence, ensuring that the people who can avail themselves of this support from government are those whom we intend to help in this way.

But our efforts in this area are not just about facilitating cost relief by abolishing stamp duty. There are complementary efforts to those items which are dealt within this bill—other ways in which the Malinauskas Labor government is working to make home ownership obtainable for a wider range of South Australians. For example, we are expanding access to HomeStart's interest-free starter loan to more people, increasing the annual income cap for the starter loan from \$65,000 to \$75,000 for singles and from \$90,000 to \$100,000 for couples.

HomeStart is also introducing a new home loan that enables eligible first-home buyers building a new home to take out a loan with a deposit of as little as 2 per cent, and notably this represents an improvement on the election commitment made by the government of a 3 per cent loan. When you consider all these items together you can see how our efforts combine to extend opportunities for home ownership to a large cohort of South Australians. Given the challenging conditions of the housing market that we see across our state and across the nation, these are initiatives I am confident will make real differences to the residents within my electorate and well beyond.

Opportunity will be further strengthened for prospective first-home buyers following our land release—the single largest residential land release in South Australia—with 25,000 new blocks of land being made available across Adelaide's northern and southern suburbs. This will increase housing supply and, together with our other measures in housing policy, will increase opportunity for South Australians to achieve their aspirations of home ownership.

To support our community even further, we are implementing a fast-tracked approval process for eligible first-home buyers to expedite the planning approval process. This is intended to ensure that first-home buyers across our state can get into their new home sooner. With the current challenges of the housing market, that can only be a good thing for our community because these actions of the Malinauskas Labor government come at a time when they are truly needed.

South Australians from all backgrounds are feeling the pressures of the housing market across our state and certainly in my electorate. Whether they are public housing tenants, private renters or prospective homebuyers, the current conditions are creating stress and difficulty that any good government would work hard to alleviate. Housing is a human right and every South Australian deserves a place to call home. I am glad to be part of a government that is doing so much to get more South Australians into more homes.

Our initiatives in stamp duty relief, boosting eligibility for the First Home Owner Grant, and opening up new loan options are complemented by our other activities in the housing policy area. These include building new public homes, stopping the sale of further public homes, enacting significant reforms to residential tenancy laws and expanding eligibility for the Private Rental Assistance Program.

I note that recently it became clear that South Australia has led the nation in new home sales growth. The Housing Industry Association's New Home Sales Report showed that new home sales in our state shot up by 35.5 per cent in July 2023, while every other state that was surveyed saw the numbers fall. The data comes from surveys taken of builders during July.

I hope that we can expect to see new home sales growth increase further as this initiative benefits more and more South Australians. It already says good things about our building industry and our economy that this result was achieved in July 2023, with new builds slowing elsewhere but gaining ground here in our state. The removal of stamp duty for first-home buyers purchasing a new home offers strong potential to further improve the prospects of our building and construction sector, and I hope this will continue to inspire confidence within the industry.

It is certainly true that the HIA, the Master Builders Association and the Property Council have all welcomed the housing measures contained in the budget and I am pleased to have their approval of our government initiatives. It is reasonable to conclude that we owe their warm response to our housing package initiatives to the fact that the policies therein are quite simply good policies.

Those in the sector know very well that increasing supply creates more options and helps put downward pressure on prices. Our policies have undeniable merit in the benefits they offer, both to our community and to our building and construction sectors. And who could disagree? It would be only an opposition that are frustrated at having to be confronted with the unpalatable truth that they squandered four years of government by sitting on their hands in this policy area, among others, but at least they will learn by our example for the next time, whenever that may come to pass.

The 2023-24 South Australian budget delivers a great deal of good for people right across our community. The area of housing is but one of many in which we have taken clear action to help South Australians to realise their hopes for themselves and to live well. The measures contained in the bill now before us support the objectives of the budget and will help to bring the good ideas of the cabinet and of this government to fruition. I commend the bill to the house.

**Ms WORTLEY (Torrens) (16:27):** I rise in support of the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill, which, when passed, will amend legislation relating to budget measures in the 2023-24 budget. This includes the Stamp Duties Act 1923, the Land Tax Act 1936, the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000 and the Emergency Services Funding Act 1998. I am pleased with the benefits that our government's budget, including through the passing of this bill, will deliver to many, and in particular to those in our community who would otherwise miss out and be left behind.

Some of the benefits include increases to concessions in line with inflation, including the Cost of Living Concession, energy concession, medical heating and cooling concession, water concession and sewerage concession, all benefiting South Australian households on low or fixed incomes. There are also increased carer payments for family-based carers, as well as the

continuation of the \$100 subsidy of the materials and service charge for the 2024 school year, benefiting parents and caregivers of 120,000 government school children.

There is also the expanded school breakfast program, providing more than a million additional breakfasts, support for food charities and financial counselling, and the continuing of the commitment to the Seniors Card holders' access to 24/7 free public transport—and that is just to name a handful.

A stand-out of this budget was the abolition of the stamp duty for eligible first-home buyers. This means no stamp duty for those who fit this category when buying a new home with a price value of up to \$650,000, with relief progressively phasing out for properties valued at up to \$700,000. This, along with an increase to the \$15,000 First Home Owner Grant property value cap, from \$575,000 to \$650,000, is most welcome by many in our community and no doubt across the state.

To be eligible for relief, the new home must be occupied as a principal place of residence, similar to existing requirements for the First Home Owner Grant under the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000. In addition, there will be no stamp duty for the purchase of vacant land valued at up to \$400,000, with relief phasing out for land valued at up to \$450,000, on which a new home will be built. Combined, these amendments to the First Home and Housing Construction Grants Act 2000 and the Stamp Duties Act 1923 deliver significant savings for many first-home buyers.

We know there are cost-of-living pressures compounded by soaring housing costs, which are fuelled by increasing house values, mortgage costs and rents—all pushing the Australian dream of house ownership further away. However, the measures in this bill will go some way in assisting many in our community, making that dream of home ownership for many South Australians a reality while at the same time delivering jobs.

In speaking with residents in Torrens, it became apparent that it was not only young people in the 20 to 30 age bracket who were going to be assisted by these budget measures but a significant number across all age brackets—some who had never before owned a home, including some who thought that they never would.

Also welcome is the government's commitment to fast-track the approval process for eligible first-home buyers. This, along with the news of HomeStart's introduction of a new home loan enabling eligible first-home buyers building a new home to access a loan with as little as 2 per cent deposit, reducing the number of years to save for a deposit, will be a significant benefit.

As part of the government's plan for a better housing future, there are also measures in this bill that will see a reduction in land tax for eligible build-to-rent properties, designed to support the uptake of investment in residential rental housing, increasing the supply of housing and creating more opportunities for renters, many of whom are in the main doing it tough. The discount reduces the land value of the parcel of land being used as an eligible build-to-rent property for land tax purposes by 50 per cent until the 2039-40 land tax year.

While delivering on the priorities of housing, health and cost-of-living relief, our government's budget also delivers measures to improve child protection outcomes as well as responding to the devastating flooding along the River Murray. It delivers investment in education and skills; road safety; policing and support functions; major new infrastructure projects, including a new purpose-built facility for Forensic Science SA and SAPOL Forensics Services Branch, and the Adelaide Aquatic Centre project; major events, sport and art; and growing the space industry. All these support our economic growth, deliver jobs and build confidence among businesses and consumers.

The bill before us, the Statutes Amendment (Budget Measures) Bill, forms part of our government's commitment to South Australians, in addition to delivering new public housing homes, halting the sale of further public housing properties and facilitating greater access to HomeStart's interest-free starter loan, increasing the annual income cap for the starter loan, from \$65,000 to \$75,000 for singles and from \$90,000 to \$100,000 for couples.

I am proud to stand here today as a member of the Malinauskas government, delivering the commitments that we made at the election and commitments that will make life easier for South Australians.

Debate adjourned on motion of Mr Odenwalder.

**STATUTES AMENDMENT (ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PORTFOLIO) (NO 4) BILL**

*Second Reading*

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services) (16:35):** I move:

That this bill be now read a second time.

I rise to speak on the Statutes Amendment (Attorney-General's Portfolio) (No 4) Bill 2023. The bill progresses necessary amendments to acts committed to the Attorney-General: the Surveillance Devices Act 2016 and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act 2012 in light of the appointment of the Inspector of ICAC.

As a result of changes made by the Independent Commissioner Against Corruption (CPIPC Recommendations) Amendment Act 2021, a new schedule 4 to the ICAC Act replaced the reviewer of ICAC with the inspector. The inspector has the role of overseeing the operation of ICAC and the Office of Public Integrity and conducting reviews into its operation to ascertain if there has been corruption, misconduct, unreasonable delays or invasions of privacy and the like in the conduct of the ICAC and the OPI.

Under both the Surveillance Devices Act and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act, the reviewer is the review agency for investigating agency or eligible authority exercising powers under both acts. The review agency is to inspect the records of the agencies at least once every six months to determine their compliance with legislative requirements and reports on the results of the inspection to the Attorney-General.

While the reviewer has been replaced by the inspector, the ICAC amendment act did not contain related amendments that would confer these review functions under the Surveillance Devices Act and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act on the inspector. This bill amends the Surveillance Devices Act and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act to define the review agency for each act as the inspector in order that the inspector may undertake the review functions.

I commend the bill to members. I seek leave to insert the explanation of clauses into *Hansard* without my reading it.

Leave granted.

Explanation of Clauses

Part 1—Preliminary

1—Short title

2—Commencement

These clauses are formal.

Part 2—Amendment of *Surveillance Devices Act 2016*

3—Amendment of section 3—Interpretation

This clause amends the definition of *review agency* by deleting references to 'reviewer' and substituting them with references to 'Inspector'.

Part 3—Amendment of *Telecommunications (Interception) Act 2012*

4—Amendment of section 2—Interpretation

This clause amends the definition of *review agency* by deleting references to 'reviewer' and substituting them with references to 'Inspector'.

Schedule 1—Transitional provision

1—Reviews

This clause sets out various transitional arrangements in respect of certain reviews required to be conducted under section 32 of the *Surveillance Devices Act 2016* and section 5 of the *Telecommunications (Interception) Act 2012*.

**Mr TEAGUE (Heysen) (16:38):** I rise to indicate that the opposition supports the bill and that I am the lead speaker for the opposition. As the minister has just outlined, and as indeed the Attorney did in another place back in June, the bill essentially does two pieces of work: it alters the reporting arrangements by the commissioner in relation to the roadblocks reports and it moves them from being quarterly to being incorporated in the annual report.

I see the member for Elizabeth, my colleague on the Crime and Public Integrity Policy Committee. We have the occasion to consider those reports, presently quarterly, and I do not think I am giving away any discreet committee business to indicate how much the committee appreciates the succinct and straightforward manner in which those reports are produced and made available to the committee. It might be fair to say that in an ordinary quarter they are relatively uneventful reporting.

If, particularly as I understand it, the commissioner sees advantage in the capacity to have them incorporated in the annual report, then that is coherent, in my view. It will also have the effect of meaning that such data as is reported might be more readily available by reference to that annual report. That is a change of the reporting practice that is effected by those changes to the Summary Offences Act that are the subject of part 2 of the bill, and that applies to roadblocks and to dangerous areas respectively.

As the minister has adverted just now, the balance of the contents of the bill is changes that are made consequent on the establishment of the role of inspector and substituting those relevant references to the reviewer and the review agency to that of the inspector. So it is a short bill and it is given, in the circumstances, the title of Statutes Amendment (Attorney-General's Portfolio) (No 4) Bill 2023, and I would not want to leave the house with too much of an impression that that is an indication of mountainous or voluminous work that is coming our way by virtue of these portfolio bills over the course of now heading towards two years of this new government and the passage of the Fifty-Fifth Parliament. I do commend the government for bringing it here, and I expect that it will be possible for it to be passed through the house and brought to bear speedily, and I will commend that outcome.

So changes of a substantive nature to the Summary Offences Act that I have outlined, and those changes that are necessary to the Surveillance Devices Act 2016 and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act of 2012 that are consequent on the establishment of the new role, they are changes that are welcomed on the one part and, we understand, necessary on the other. I commend the bill to the house.

**Mr BROWN (Florey) (16:43):** It is with great pleasure that I speak on the Statutes Amendment (Attorney-General's Portfolio) (No 4) Bill. The bill proposes to amend the Surveillance Devices Act 2016 and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act 2012 to update the definitions of review agency to reflect the relatively new appointment of the inspector under schedule 4 to the Independent Commission Against Corruption Act 2012, also known as the ICAC Act. The amendments contained in this bill are minor consequential amendments to legislation committed to South Australia's Attorney-General.

What is important for us to understand is that the amendments this bill proposes to the Surveillance Devices Act and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act are necessary amendments that will enable review functions to continue to be undertaken because, while the reviewer of the Independent Commission Against Corruption has been replaced by the inspector—a role currently occupied by Mr Philip Strickland SC, whose term was earlier this year extended a further 18 months—the 2021 ICAC Act amendments did not confer the review functions under the Surveillance Devices Act and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act on the inspector, a glaring oversight of the previous government.

Unless this occurs, the inspector is unable to carry out these review functions, hence the need for the amendments proposed herein. Inspection by the review agency under the Surveillance Devices Act and the Telecommunications (Interception) Act must be performed once in each period of six months. I understand that the most recent review period ended on 31 August 2022. Because there will be at least one missed review period before the amendments are made, transitional arrangements are included to require the inspector to undertake all reviews that have been missed

since 31 August 2023 as part of the first review that occurs after the commencement of the amendments. This ensures continuity and should be a satisfactory provision to all.

The Telecommunications (Interception) Act was introduced to this parliament in 2012 by the then Attorney-General, the Hon. John Rau SC. In introducing the bill, Mr Rau highlighted that the purpose of the act was to be a companion to the Independent Commission Against Corruption Act, enabling the ICAC to be declared an agency under the relevant commonwealth act. Such a declaration would enable the Independent Commission Against Corruption to obtain telephone intercept warrants for the purposes of investigating corruption in public administration.

In order for the ICAC to be so declared, the commonwealth act requires that state-based legislation must be in place that provides for certain safeguards. One such safeguard is a compliance audit of the ICAC's use of these warrants. This review obligation is prescribed in section 5 of the South Australian act. The provisions of the bill that is now before us ensure that these safeguards can continue to operate in the way they were originally intended.

The ICAC bill as it was introduced in 2012 also made amendments to the Listening and Surveillance Devices Act 1972 to ensure that similar provisions would apply to warrants for listening and surveillance devices. These provisions are now encompassed within the Surveillance Devices Act, which brought this area of the law up to date in 2016. It is critical that anti-corruption bodies have the tools they need in order to undertake their important functions to ensure that our public administration is undertaken in a manner that is effective and free of corruption and maladministration. These tools must also be appropriately overseen and must be subject to regular review.

The Inspector of ICAC undertakes an important oversight role, and Mr Philip Strickland SC is an eminently qualified person to hold the position. It is important that we earn and maintain the confidence of the South Australian public in our anti-corruption bodies. Having an inspector who is widely held in such high regard with oversight of these bodies assists in cultivating and maintaining this confidence. The amendments this bill proposes will enable the inspector to properly undertake all the functions of the role. I commend this bill to the house.

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services) (16:48):** I thank members for their contributions.

Bill read a second time.

*Third Reading*

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services) (16:49):** I move:

That this bill be now read a third time.

I have a brief contribution. I understand that the member for Heysen does as well. I commend the bill to the house and thank members for the prompt manner in which this has been considered.

**Mr TEAGUE (Heysen) (16:49):** I am grateful not only for the minister's contribution to the second reading but for bringing to my attention the developments that have occurred following the introduction of the bill into another place. Inadvertent as they were, my remarks in relation to those parts of the bill that went away in the course of the debate in the other place might serve to indicate my support and our support for those aspects as originally moved.

It is my understanding that we will remain, and my colleague on the relevant committee member for Elizabeth and I will remain, for the time being at least, in receipt of those documents on the more frequent basis. The house has the benefit of at least some remarks in this place about the general content of those reports, which I think the Law Society has described as an administrative expediency in terms of what was originally proposed to be changed.

I suppose there are always going to be a range of views from the practical through to the principled in terms of the obligation of public authorities to report in these circumstances. So my view about the merits of those changes is on the record in the course of the second reading. I just indicate my gratitude to the minister for bringing it to my attention in the timely way that he has. I again indicate

the opposition's support for the balance of the provisions that remain the subject of the bill and I commend it to the house.

Bill read a third time and passed.

### **DISABILITY INCLUSION (REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS) AMENDMENT BILL**

#### *Second Reading*

Adjourned debate on second reading.

(Continued from 28 June 2023.)

**Mr FULBROOK (Playford) (16:53):** I am very happy to rise to speak in support of this bill. I do not want to spend a lot of time talking about myself, but I do want to put into context why I am very willing to support anything that improves the lives of those within our disability community.

My story begins back in 2010. I was working for our current and amazing Lord Mayor who at the time was the member for Adelaide. She had taken me on mainly to provide her with advice on school infrastructure. We all know what happened next: just as she lost her seat, I was also out of a job.

Very fortunately, Jennifer Rankine, former member for Wright, threw me a lifeline and asked me to be her housing adviser. Given my interest in bricks and mortar, I was keen to get to work when suddenly there was a quick and rather surprising change of plan. My then Chief of Staff, Matt Clemow, took me to one side and pointed out that Jennifer was yet to appoint a disability adviser and one was needed rather quickly due to the imminent election of Kelly Vincent in the Legislative Council. I will be the very first to admit I was terrified of my immediate secondment and disappointed that working on the housing portfolio was not going to happen.

Up until this point my knowledge of the issues facing the disability community were ashamedly limited. I had heard a little during the election campaign, particularly from Kelly, that things were not good, and this had me rather worried. Thinking it was only a matter of days before the world realised I did not have what it takes to advise in this area, I will own it that my attitude could have been a lot better. The great thing was that my light-bulb moment was just days away, and suddenly the community was dealing with a very different John almost from the get-go.

I tell this story a bit and usually it is a bit vague but, for the benefit of *Hansard*, I have done a little bit of research. It must have been on about day 5 when a letter was brought to my attention arguing that it made little sense that South Australia was one of the very few states that did not recognise both the Companion Card and the Plus One FREE COMPANION Card on our public transport network. I cannot remember which card it did not recognise, but at the time it was only one of the two.

In a bit of a huff and a puff, I thought to myself how exhausting things were going to be if everything in government with the word 'disability' attached to it would be put before me. I then called Minister Conlon's office—he was the transport minister at the time—to see if they could help. To their credit, I received a 'leave it with me' response, and a day or two later that magic moment happened. Up until that point, nobody had ever asked Minister Conlon's office this question, and I was gobsmacked to find out that someone had done the sums very quickly and the total cost to the state to recognise both cards would be a mere \$1,200 a year.

That moment did not just give me an inner glow from realising we had done something good but it made me see what an amazing opportunity I had before me. The next 18 months working in disability was one of the best times I have had in my working life. There were days when I had a cry, and I would go so far as saying there were a few names and moments that I will never forget for all the wrong reasons, but with these lows also came the highs. The arrival of self-managed funding sowed the seeds for South Australia to be an early adopter of the NDIS.

We saw significant improvements in the allocation of equipment, set up respite services on Kangaroo Island, moved heaven and earth to get residents out of Strathmont, and in its place we set up proper places for people to call home. When I say 'we', the team around me were amazing. They were the now member for Wright as my Chief of Staff joined by some incredible public servants,



including Dr David Caudrey, Claude Bruno, Zofia Nowak, Lynn Young and Matthew Massy-Westropp, to only scratch the surface. Outside the team, we dealt with some incredible advocates, like Associate Professor Lorna Hallahan, Dell Stagg, Robbi Williams, Glenn Rappenberg, Sam Paior, Tristan Dunn, and of course Kelly Vincent. Again, I know I am missing out so many good people.

A point to make was that, even though there was an incredible amount of work to do, there were so many dynamic people in the sector giving their all to push things in the right direction. At the helm was Jennifer Rankine, the Minister for Disability, who was an amazing advocate. There were a few days when not everyone in the sector saw eye to eye with her or we just could not quite achieve everything we wanted, but the energy she created inspired everyone to give it 110 per cent. To her, complacency was not an acceptable option.

Suddenly, after 18 months a reshuffle arrived and it was time to move on to new challenges. Initially, I felt the ground had been pulled out from under my feet, but as time went on I realised that no matter where I went there were always going to be opportunities to help this wonderful community along. It also helped knowing that my replacement was Abbie Spencer, the current secretary of the ASU, who I know has a heart of gold.

The three biggest lessons I took from this time were firstly that, despite good work being achieved, there was always more to be done. The second was to never say in life, 'I know how you feel.' Given I do not have a disability, and having seen so much challenge in my life, there is absolutely no way I could ever understand. The best I can do is to imagine what life is like, and even then I have my doubts if I will ever get close. The third was a realisation that, despite acting on what I believe to be the best of intentions, governments have not always got things right, particularly when it comes to disability.

We only have to think back to the institutions we housed these vulnerable people in and in the process made them more vulnerable. There were worse things than that but, to be honest, I do not think I have the mettle to speak about these here today. I also stress that this view is applied to all the work I have been involved in with the sector. Nothing I have ever done should be beyond scrutiny and further review. I apologise if this is a bit of a backstory, but now that it is on the record I will do my best not to repeat myself too often on the subject.

While I have dwelled a bit on the past, experience has shown me that the disability community is more concerned with the future, and before us is a bill aiming to enhance the Disability Inclusion Act to support greater access and inclusion for people with disability and ensure that the state government and local councils remain responsive and accountable. Drawing on the need to see that the voiceless have a voice, I feel this bill is a step in the right direction.

It is commendable that the architect of the act, Mr Richard Dennis AM, included section 21 that stipulated the minister must review its effectiveness before the fourth anniversary of its commencement. Rightly, he was given the task of conducting the review and consulting far and wide across the community. To briefly sum up his hard work, I understand his report, which was tabled in September last year, provided 50 recommendations for consideration.

I am advised this included 30 that are not subject to legislation and, whilst Minister Cook's department is in support of all that is recommended, I understand some need additional scoping to work out what further action is needed. This includes the recommendations relating to the operations of Inclusive SA which, I understand from the minister, will be reviewed in the second half of this year.

While this bill does not drastically reshape the act, it does make several changes that will add value to the disability community and reinforce the work of consulting with them to ensure it functions as intended. As I see it, there are five key areas of improvement that should be adopted. These include having a definition of what a barrier is, asserting that people with disability have a right to be and feel safe, extra clarity around the principles relating to people with significant intellectual disability, altering reporting requirements and time frames, and requiring consultation with people with lived experience and authorising the formation of groups to facilitate this consultation.

In our day-to-day lives we all encounter barriers and, metaphorically speaking, it is sound advice to walk around them, but you need to ask yourself what happens if you cannot. Exposure to

disability services made me realise that, unfortunately, the frustrations appear endless to those with disability encountering barriers.

While I have stressed the work of all governments in this space should never be seen as complete, an example I wish to draw upon revolves around the management of trees, in particular branches overhanging footpaths. Anyone with clear vision can walk around a low-hanging branch and pretty much think nothing of the experience; unfortunately, this is not the case for anyone who is visually impaired. It is worth stopping to think of the clear risk these people face the moment they step onto the streets and put one foot forward.

A low-hanging branch is an obvious barrier, yet collectively it is easy to be complacent about the risks it presents when it is not a worry to the bulk of the population. While this is an example of something so common that I would suggest many people—myself included—are often oblivious to it, barriers can come in many different shapes, sizes and forms, and it therefore makes sense to define what they are in the hope it can create less wriggle space around accountability and lead to greater inclusion.

I also mentioned earlier that I would take my interests in disability issues everywhere I went. This manifested itself in a latter role I played as planning adviser to the Northern Territory government. In Darwin, I was working with other state and territory governments in the hope that we could make some changes to the National Construction Code around accessibility provisions. For well over the space of 12 months, I was working closely with advisers from across the country, finding common ground and then negotiating whenever we hit a hurdle.

For those who have not visited the Top End, the excessive humidity has necessitated a unique style of tropical architecture where, at a guess, about 20 per cent of the housing stock is raised off the ground to take full advantage of breezes. As a result, a number of the proposed access provisions would have been impractical for adoption in those raised houses. However, this was no reason for the Territory not to be part of the broader solution, especially given that most of its new accommodation is now single storey.

We found common ground with Queensland to gain exemptions around some provisions for raised houses, and then we forged ahead with most of the other states. When I say 'most', unfortunately at that time I cannot say that South Australia was in that pack.

The Territory identified some indifferences and negotiated a beneficial outcome, yet negotiation on any indifference in South Australia at the time appeared to be non-existent. While I know there is such a thing as parliamentary privilege to allow me to say more, dwelling on this will do us no good, especially after the wrong has now been rewritten. This came following a call I made to the then shadow minister for human services, 3,000 kilometres down the road, to explain what was happening.

We were fortunate that day, nationally, to have had the numbers to get the code amended and even more fortunate to have the members for Hurtle Vale and now Taylor working quickly to adopt things locally once we came to office. I will stress once more: there is always more work to do. But if you need evidence that the Malinauskas government takes the provision in the act seriously, this speaks for itself. As Minister Cook stressed to me in conversation, no-one should underestimate the impact of having accessible homes that exist within an accessible community.

I will not elaborate on all the key provisions, but I will make comment around the sixth area of amendment, relating to the functions of the Chief Executive of the Department of Human Services. The bill before us proposes an additional paragraph to be inserted under section 10(1), stipulating they are now to advise the minister on systemic or emerging accessibility and inclusion issues. My experience is that a good CE would be doing this already, but I feel these extra words powerfully underline the need to necessitate this function and make sure it is happening by law.

Chief executives are very well placed to report on what is emerging, and I would now expect to see this translated into KPIs to ensure that the full breadth of the law is being met. We need as many minds as possible working to improve the lives of people with disability, and this provision should send a clear message to the community on the responsibility the CE has to make a difference.

In turn, I would expect the bearer of the position to now be in an enhanced position to act as a beacon between government and the disability community.

As outlined, I support this bill for a number of reasons. While it could be seen that the changes are modest, I feel there is one underlying element that I have not touched on within the act itself that deserves recognition. There is a lot of contingency within this bill and the act for review and reflection. This builds on what I said earlier—that we should never expect complacency in assisting the disability community.

There are some fantastic advocates operating in the sector, my friend Rosey Olbrycht from community advocacy being a great example of those on the ground. I have also met many people with disability very capable of advocating by themselves. That said, we are dealing in a sector where the voiceless are prevalent, and these people and their advocates need all the help that we can give them.

With the best of intentions, facilities such as Strathmont, or the Home for Incurables, were established, yet hindsight has shown that there is a better way. Who is to say that the practices and attitudes of today may need revisiting in the not too distant future? We have seen, with this act being reviewed, the CE for Human Services now being tasked with advising on systemic or emerging accessibility and inclusion issues and a stronger emphasis on reviewing disability access and inclusion plans. With almost 100 of these across state agencies, including all 68 local councils, they must be regularly reviewed to ensure they remain relevant to the broader needs and interests of people with disability and their families.

It is great to have a body, in the form of Inclusive SA, working with our agencies to create a more inclusive state, and I am pleased the inclusion plans will be subject to review, along with Inclusive SA being re-appraised later in the year. We do this because thinking around disability is evolving, and what is right today may not be right tomorrow.

In finishing, I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in the development of this bill. We have seen a lot of feedback from some exceptional organisations and minds to get to where we are today. I understand that feedback from the public was strong, and I thank each and every one who made a contribution to this process.

I would have liked to have made a personal submission to the review, but unfortunately consultation coincided with the immediate aftermath of the passing of my dad. This also meant I was unable to mobilise a number of local disability advocates who have been invaluable in providing me with details on where things can be improved. While things fell beyond my control, I would like to express that I am very sorry for this.

As mentioned earlier, Mr Richard Dennis AM should be congratulated on all his hard work in and around this important area of policy. I am yet to meet him, but I do hope that our paths cross very soon. I would also like to express my gratitude to Minister Cook and her staff, in particular Michael Hicks and Catherine Baldock. All three have been fighting the good fight on this front for as long as I can remember. Michael Hicks, in particular, was a colleague of mine who, for the record, ended up being the housing adviser back in 2010. It is not for me to say, but I would not have changed a thing, and I think it is fair to say that we are both very happy that we heard our calling. There is always more to do, but this bill is a step forward. With this in mind, I am pleased to commend it to the house.

**Mr TELFER (Flinders) (17:10):** I rise to speak on this Disability Inclusion (Review Recommendations) Amendment Bill 2023 and indicate that I am the lead speaker for the opposition and also the only speaker from the opposition in this house. At the beginning, can I give my utmost respect and admiration to those this bill especially pertains to—those who are living with a disability and those many carers who love and look after those who are living with a disability. We cannot underestimate the impact that the decisions we make at this level have on those who are living every single day with the challenge that that brings but also the blessing in their lives that they are living with.

It is great to see this bill finally come to parliament. It does seem like it has been a long time coming. By way of history, the Disability Inclusion Act was passed in this place in 2018 under the

stewardship of Minister Lensink of the former government. As part of that act, Inclusive SA was established. Also in the act, the Disability Inclusion Act was due for review at the three-year anniversary. That is what happened in March 2022 and that is exactly why we find ourselves here today, 18 months later.

To draw that time line out a little more, the review began as a trigger in the act in March last year. As has been mentioned already, Mr Richard Dennis AM, PSM, was appointed as part of that process and released an issues paper for discussion. In June 2022, 14 months ago, he finalised his paper and the minister tabled it in the House of Assembly in September last year—12 months ago. This bill was then introduced at the end of June this year, 12 months from when Mr Dennis first completed his work.

In that time, I would have expected some of the work to have already been done. Surely there were some low-hanging branches, as I think the member for Playford mentioned (low-hanging fruit I would probably describe it as, so to speak), which, with a few policy changes in the Department of Human Services or across government agencies, would have achieved recommendations as set out by the report.

In anticipation of the committee stage of this bill, I foreshadow that I will attempt to perhaps tease out some of those to get a bit more information on the record from the minister about where these potential changes, which have already maybe started in the department, are at.

There was an obvious need for this review, and that is starkly brought to our attention by some of the commentary in response to the question: what are the biggest challenges facing the disability community when participating in the community? Some of the answers provided were as follows:

The biggest challenges, the inconsistent attitudes and the defensive refusal to listen and act by local councils and state government to assist us to participate in the community.

Another one:

People with disability and their family or carers have to work too hard to participate. This can include access to expensive assistive technology.

Another response:

Lack of accessibility to events, venues, transport and other services and facilities. The burden of needing to check that a place is accessible (for example, by telephone calls or searching websites), and the stigma associated with this, which impacts on people's ability to have natural social relationships.

There was an example only recently in the press in our community with the Port Adelaide Diversity and Inclusion Film Festival, which very much brought to the front of mind that this is something that people working within the system have to deal with every single day. Another response:

Genuine ignorance and a lack of concern for the varied experience of people living with disability.

Finally:

A belief that people living with disability are a burden on society.

These responses are heartbreaking, to say the least. These last two comments, in particular, are sadly common amongst the community of people living with a disability and those who care for them, who are dealing with it every single day. We must do better to assist them to participate more fully in our society. The review from Mr Richard Dennis AM, PSM, considered the following:

- (a) how well is the operation of the act achieving or supporting the objects of the Act;
- (b) the extent to which the principles set out in section 9 of the Act are being recognised and applied in the operation, administration and enforcement of the Act;
- (c) initiatives that could be adopted to enhance the alignment of the Act with Australia's Disability Strategy;
- (d) the work of the department in fulfilling various functions under section 10;
- (e) consideration of how effective the State Disability Inclusion Plan and the disability access and inclusion plans have been to date in supporting the objects of the Act, recognising that there is a separate scheme for the review of these plans under sections 15 and 18 of the Act; and

- (f) any changes that should be considered for Part 5A of the Act.

Through this process, Mr Dennis also sought specific comment about the extent to which the act assisted in promoting the following themes: inclusive communities for all, leadership and collaboration, accessible communities, and learning and employment. From his substantial review, Mr Dennis presented his final tabled report with some 51 recommendations, although I think that recommendations 50 and 51 could probably be combined to be one and the same.

The government have sought to include some 14 recommendations into this bill, and they do seek to make the act more inclusive, for example, by removing any ageism and ensuring that 'regardless of age' is included. This is one I think we very much have to be aware of. Just because people living within the system reach an age where they might qualify for a different level of support does not mean they should not have their voices heard throughout this process.

I think the strongest amendment, and one we have constantly heard about from groups we have consulted with, is recommendation No. 5. It has been touched on briefly already that a definition of 'barrier' be included, and it has been included, as follows:

'Barrier' includes something that is—

- (a) physical, architectural, technological or attitudinal; or
- (b) based on information or communications; or
- (c) the result of a policy or practice.

So, yes, this bill does go some way to improving the legislation we already have, and that is indeed a lofty achievement and something which we should be aspiring to be better and better at all the way along with our lawmaking. We on this side of the house think it can be improved some more, though. I am sure that later on throughout this process we will unpack and explore that a little bit more, as I mentioned before, and I know that the same will be done in the other place when this bill is considered up there.

I will turn now to some of the submissions. Maybe during the committee stage, once again some answers can be provided as to why some of the concerns outlined were not picked up by the minister in the drafting of this legislation. When making our community, our society should have a whole-of-community approach, but the burden that some sectors and some levels of government are being asked to take on without due resourcing is quite unfair. I will bear some of that out in the committee stage, as I said.

We did hear that the Local Government Association (LGA), which is the body that represents the 68 councils from across South Australia as well as the unincorporated areas, made some valid points in their submissions. For example, they recognised past exclusion that is due to the lack of opportunity for people with disability to develop their personal and social resources and that the barriers to work and social settings are greater and require more investment to overcome and build that capacity.

At a number of points in their submission, the LGA made mention along the lines of, 'Should the burden fall to local government to implement some of the recommendations as suggested by the review, resourcing would be an impediment to implementing resources in a timely manner.' In other words, we should be very aware in this place of making laws that fit and are able to be workable within our communities, and be aware that, in those 68 councils that I talked about before, there is a varying degree of capacity and resourcing that is available to them.

Not all of them have the staff support and the budget size of some of the bigger metropolitan councils that may be getting involved in this. Some of them are smaller regional councils, which indeed are stretched—often beyond their capacity—with existing legislation. We need to make sure that if there is a burden that falls to local government, we should be absolutely aware that that burden should come with the need for resourcing of the councils to be able to put in place the important steps which we have seen developed within this piece of legislation.

Councils do not have the funding available. They do not have the resourcing of others, especially, as I said, the smaller regional councils or even some of the medium-sized councils that are focused on delivering positive outcomes for their community. Yes, the whole community has to

be considered when we are looking at the work that local government does but, if we in this place are making laws that are going to add an extra burden onto local government, there is absolutely the need for us to be aware of the resourcing constraints that some councils have and the need, as I said, for state government to play an active role in adding to councils' capacity to be able to implement some of these steps.

The LGA also notes that some of the language is vague and needs better clarification. I have had the conversation with the minister indeed, and a lot of it is terms such as 'take reasonable steps', 'higher standards' and 'other activities'. These are often really in the eye of the beholder as to those measure points. Reasonable steps, higher standards: they are a bit ambiguous when we are looking at putting legislation in place.

As I said, I think during the committee stage it will be important for the question to be asked of the minister of what the intent of these aspects within the legislation really are, and for there to be some guidance and some definitions, perhaps at least put into *Hansard*, to give some context to some of these terms that have been put into the legislation. They need further clarity for these levels of government that are expected to implement these recommendations.

We also received submissions from Purple Orange and acknowledge the great work that they do in the community to improve the world for people who live with a disability, ensuring that they are given a fair go. We also thank them for their submission and their insight into this bill.

As has been touched on already, it is so important that we as legislators are fully aware of the impacts that our decisions one way or the other have on not only the people in our community we represent in this place but also the state as whole. The laws that are made need to actually, firstly, be workable and, secondly, make sure that we aim for positive outcomes for our community, and none more so than this bill in particular.

When we are dealing with some of the most vulnerable within our community—people who have often at times felt like they have been forgotten, neglected and at risk—we need to make sure that we are properly reflecting their needs when making decisions around legislation, so to receive submissions from organisations such as Purple Orange is really important to gain their insight into this bill and the work that is expected to be done after this bill passes this place.

Some submissions to the review were also very pointed, and I will quote some of them here, although I am not able to attribute the comment to anyone in particular. There were submissions and comments with aspects calling for increased consultation with existing disability groups and services. We need to be constantly looking at the work that we are doing in this space and making sure that it reflects the needs in the community for those carers and for those people living with a disability.

The second aspect, which I think is pretty important, is the universal design and being able to co-design programs that affect people living with disability. This bill is such an important step, one which has been, as I said in the introduction, a long time coming with the process that has been put in place over a number of years. I certainly can foreshadow that in the other place my colleague the Hon. Heidi Girolamo will move and support amendments to this legislation. The bill was asked to improve upon the legislation, and we on this side think it still has some way to go. We will pursue that in the upper house where, with support, there is a good chance that amendments can get up.

As I said, 51 recommendations came with this, and a small number are being implemented through this bill. I look forward to what steps come next and will ask the minister through the committee stage if she has any insight into what time lines are expected for those additional recommendations to be implemented, which of them potentially will not be implemented and the reasons why.

We really need to make sure in this place that we are appropriately reflecting the needs of those community members, carers, and those living with a disability we are making these laws around, and that we are being responsive to their needs. Can I just finish by reiterating the respect, gratitude and admiration I have for those people who are living with a disability within our society, and those carers who are caring for and love those people who are living with a disability. The admiration we on this side have I am sure is shared across all parties and across all members in this

place. We in this place need to be aspirational with what we are trying to put in place as far as legislation goes.

We need to be responsive to the needs of our community, and I think it is really important that we continue to be aware of the next steps that need to be put in place within this space in particular, because the needs are always changing, as well as the way that people are dealing with their carers in the disability space and also the way the NDIS is interacting with what we do at a state government level. With that all in mind, I leave my remarks there and look forward to the committee stage at some point to flesh out a little bit more of the detail.

Debate adjourned on motion of Mr Odenwalder.

**CRIMINAL LAW CONSOLIDATION (CRIMINAL ORGANISATIONS - PRESCRIBED PLACES)  
AMENDMENT BILL**

*Introduction and First Reading*

Received from the Legislative Council and read a first time.

**STATUTES AMENDMENT (NATIONAL ENERGY LAWS) (EMISSIONS REDUCTION  
OBJECTIVES) BILL**

*Final Stages*

The Legislative Council agreed to the bill without any amendment.

At 17:32 the house adjourned until Wednesday 13 September 2023 at 10:30.

*Answers to Questions***LEARNING PLUS TUTORING PROGRAM**

**8 The Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (8 September 2023).

1. Will the government continue the work previously underway as part of the Department for Education's Learning Plus Tutoring Program?
2. What initiatives are currently underway as part of the strategy, and will they be supported in an ongoing manner?

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The Learning+ program commenced in 2021 and was commissioned as an additional learning support to mitigate the disruptions caused by COVID-19.

Learning+ was facilitated in 2021 and 2022 as a pilot program. An independent evaluation was undertaken to determine the impact of this investment. The evaluation focused on student achievement and self-efficacy of the two new pilot groups was finalised in March 2023, and the department undertook further data analysis to verify its understanding of the pilot outcomes.

Both these evaluations showed only small increases in mathematics achievements.

As such the department made the decision to not continue the Learning+ program given its view of return on investment.

*Estimates Replies***MINISTERIAL STAFF**

In reply to **the Hon. D.J. SPEIRS (Black—Leader of the Opposition)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS (Croydon—Premier):** I am advised the attached list was published in the *Government Gazette* on 29 June 2023 and is publicly accessible at [https://www.governmentgazette.sa.gov.au/2023/June/2023\\_047.pdf](https://www.governmentgazette.sa.gov.au/2023/June/2023_047.pdf).

**MINISTERIAL STAFF**

In reply to **the Hon. D.J. SPEIRS (Black—Leader of the Opposition)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS (Croydon—Premier):** I am advised there are no staff contracted to work within my office outside the 46 FTEs.

**MINISTERIAL STAFF**

In reply to **the Hon. D.J. SPEIRS (Black—Leader of the Opposition)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. P.B. MALINAUSKAS (Croydon—Premier):** I am advised that there are no staff seconded to work within my office.

**EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department (including the Public Trustee):

Since 1 July 2022, the following executive appointments have been made (excluding contract renewals).

Role Title	Classification
Special Counsel	SAES1
Executive Solicitor	SAES1
Executive Solicitor	SAES1
Senior Prosecutor	SAES1
Senior Prosecutor	SAES1
Director, Industrial Relations	SAES1
Director, Enterprise Bargaining	SAES1
Director, Justice Technology Services	SAES1



Role Title	Classification
Director, Legislative Services	SAES1
Director, Aboriginal Workforce Partnerships	SAES1
Director, Customer Service	SAES1
Director, State Records	SAES1
Executive Director, Legal & Legislative Services	SAES2
Director, SafeWork SA	SAES2

These were new appointments to existing vacant positions.

The total annual employment cost for these appointments to existing vacant positions is \$2,844,195 (excluding on-costs).

Individual executive total remuneration package values (TRPV) as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department (including the Public Trustee):

Since 1 July 2022, there have been four executive positions abolished.

Role Title	Classification
Director, Workforce Plan Capability	SAES1
Executive Solicitor	SAES1
Executive Director, Industrial Relations and Policy	SAES2
Chief HR Officer	SAES2

The total annual employment cost for these abolished positions is \$1,103,301 (excluding on-costs).

Individual executive total remuneration package values as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

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**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department (including the Public Trustee):

The value of the termination payments in 2022-23 was \$566,976, which excludes the value of accrued leave entitlements.

#### CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS

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As required by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet Circular PC013—Annual Reporting Requirements for 2022-23 information relating to expenditure on consultants and contractors including the vendor, total cost and nature of work undertaken, will be detailed in annual reports published by agencies.

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The estimated total cost for the engagement of consultants in 2023-24 is \$0.9 million. There are no known engagements costing more than \$10,000 for 2023-24 at this time.

The majority of expenditure on contractors within AGD is related to the engagement of temporary labour hire. Based on expenditure incurred in recent years, it is estimated that expenditure on contractors in 2023-24 will be

approximately \$3.0 million. A significant component of this estimated expenditure relates to specialised ICT contractors which reflects the need for specialised resources in this field.

The estimated expenditure on contractors within the Public Trustee for 2023-24 is \$3.7 million. The majority of this estimated expenditure relates to the replacement of the PeopleSoft customer financial system.

The following is a summary of other external contractors that have been engaged by the Public Trustee for 2023-24.

Contractors	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
The Information Management Group	Scanning Services	\$60,000
Deloitte Risk Advisory Services Pty Ltd	Internal Audit	\$138,000

### GOODS AND SERVICES

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department (including the Public Trustee):

The budgeted expenditure on goods and services for the financial year 2023-24 and each of the years of the forward estimates period is as follows:

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
AGD controlled	69,315	70,795	70,760	71,492
AGD administered	72,857	67,483	67,860	69,524
Public Trustee	5,469	5,276	5,436	5,474

### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

Table 1 shows the total budgeted FTE to provide communication and promotion activities for the Attorney-General's Department (including the Public Trustee) for 2023-24 and the forward estimates:

Table 1: FTE employed in communication and promotion activities

Unit/Branch		2023-24 Budget	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Budget
Attorney-General's Department	Est. FTE	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25
	\$m	1.216	1.206	1.178	1.189

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As an open and transparent government, marketing communications activity reports and annual media expenditure details are proactively disclosed. The reports list all marketing campaigns over the cost of \$50,000 and budgeted expenditure for approved campaigns and are disclosed on the DPC website: <https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/about-the-department/accountability/government-marketing-advertising-expenditure>.

### GRANT PROGRAMS

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department (including the Public Trustee):

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Controlled:

Grant program/ fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
<b>Attorney-General</b>				
Aboriginal Justice Advocacy Service	Provides advice and advocacy on behalf of Aboriginal South Australians and their interactions with the justice sector.	237	243	—
Australian Institute of Criminology Research contribution	Provides national research and knowledge on crime and justice and seeks to promote justice and reduce crime by undertaking and communicating evidence-based research to inform policy and practice.	17	18	19
Australian Pro Bono Centre	Services for promoting and supporting pro bono work in South Australia.	8	8	—
Australia New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency (ANZPAA) National Institute of Forensic Science	Contribution to National Institute of Forensic Science.	37	38	39
Crime Stoppers SA	Provides a program to enable the community and media to help police solve crime.	221	—	—
Department of Human Services—Australian National Research Organisation for Women's Safety Limited (ANROWS)	Contribution to deliver relevant and translatable research evidence which drives policy and practice leading to a reduction in the levels of violence against women and their children.	21	22	—
Department of Premier and Cabinet—Better Services Initiative	Contribution to Better Services Initiative.	12	12	12
Disability Information and Legal Assistance Unit	Legal support and assistance service for South Australians with disability.	150	—	—
National Coronial Information System	The National Coronial Information System is a data repository containing information about deaths reported to a Coroner in Australia and New Zealand.	40	41	42
National Criminal Court Statistics Unit (NCCSU) contribution	State contribution to the NCCSU to compile, analyse, publish and disseminate uniform national criminal courts statistics, subject to the provisions of the <i>Census and Statistics Act 1905</i> .	21	21	21
National Legal Assistance Partnership 2020-25 (NLAP) (Commonwealth funding)	To administer and provide funding under the NLAP for the provision of legal assistance services to vulnerable people in South Australia.	43,402	44,058	689
Operation Flinders	Provides a crime prevention program for young offenders and young people at risk of reoffending.	514	527	—
Professor Ross Vining Forensic Research Grant	Provide funding for collaborative research to improve casework.	50	50	50
Road Trauma Support Team	Provides support to people impacted by road trauma.	106	—	—
SA Law Reform Institute	To provide funding for administrative support.	56	57	—
Treatment Intervention Court	Provide general legal defence services for defendants referred to, and accepted into, the Treatment Intervention Court Program.	194	199	—
<b>Aboriginal Affairs</b>				
Aboriginal Lands Trust	Administration of the Aboriginal Lands Trust Act 2013.	1,030	1,056	1,082
Aboriginal Visitors Scheme	To provide care, comfort and support to Aboriginal people who are in police custody.	197	201	206

Grant program/ fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
<b>Attorney-General</b>				
Administration of the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Land Right Act 1981	Administration of the APY Land Rights Act 1981.	1,632	1,673	1,715
Bringing Them Home—Link-Up SA Program	To provide family tracing, reunion and counselling services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their families who have been separated under the past policies and practices of the Australian Government.	88	91	94
Buthera Agreement	The Buthera Agreement commits the State to collaboratively working with the Narungga Nation Aboriginal Corporation to drive development on Guuranda. The two priority areas of engagement are economic development and social services.	100	—	—
Administration of the Maralinga Tjarutja Land Rights Act 1984	Administration of the Maralinga Tjarutja Land Rights Act 1984.	760	779	799
NAIDOC SA Activities	NAIDOC SA activities.	25	25	25
Implementation of Reconciliation SA's Business Plan	Implementation of Reconciliation SA's Business Plan.	219	225	230
South Australian Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation Network (SAACCON)	To support the functions of the SAACCON which provides advice, recommendations and guidance to the Coalition of Peaks, and the South Australian, Commonwealth and Local Governments on the National Agreement on Closing the Gap.	1 501	1 539	1 577
<b>Industrial Relations</b>				
Asbestos Diseases Society of South Australia	To support the advocacy work along with education programs that seek to increase awareness in the community about the dangers of exposure to asbestos.	51	53	54
Asbestos Victims Association	To support advocacy work, along with education programs that seek to increase awareness in the community about the dangers of exposure to asbestos.	51	53	54
Augusta Zadow Award	This funding is used to meet the costs of a work health and safety initiative that benefits young workers or working women, which may involve practical solutions, research or further education.	25	25	25
Mates in Construction	To support suicide prevention work, along with case management support for workers in need in the construction and mining industry.	62	63	65
Safe Work Australia	South Australia's contribution to the administration of Safe Work Australia pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement for Regulatory and Operational Reform in Occupational Health and Safety.	854 Determined on an annual basis advising on cost of membership which is calculated on the population rate.	876 2.5% estimated indexation	898 2.5% estimated indexation

Grant program/ fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
Attorney-General				
Sponsorships Program - South Australian Mines Emergency Response Competition	Contribution for various work health and safety awards, expos and conferences. The South Australian Mines Emergency Response Competition is designed to test the skills and knowledge of teams who would be called on to respond to a mine emergency.	5	5	5
Sponsorships Program - Premier's Awards in Mining and Energy	Contribution for various work health and safety awards, expos and conferences. Recognising demonstrated excellence in the development and/or implementation of an innovative solution to identified work health and safety issues.	9	9	9
Sponsorships Program - Human Factors & Ergonomics Society of Australia Conference	Contribution for various work health and safety awards, expos and conferences.	5	5	5

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, or any commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

Grant program/fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	Value 2023-24 \$
Attorney-General			
Aboriginal Justice Advocacy Service	Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement	Provides advice and advocacy on behalf of Aboriginal South Australians and their interactions with the justice sector.	237
SA Law Reform Institute	Adelaide University	To provide funding for administrative support.	56
Australian Institute of Criminology Research contribution	Australian Institute of Criminology	Provides national research and knowledge on crime and justice and seeks to promote justice and reduce crime by undertaking and communicating evidence-based research to inform policy and practice.	17
Australian Pro Bono Centre	Australian Pro Bono Centre	Services for promoting and supporting pro bono work in South Australia.	8
Australia New Zealand Policing Advisory Agency (ANZPAA) National Institute of Forensic Science	Victoria Police	Contribution to National Institute of Forensic Science.	37
Australian National Research Organisation for Women's Safety Limited (ANROWS)	Department of Human Services	Contribution to deliver relevant and translatable research evidence which drives policy and practice leading to a reduction in the levels of violence against women and their children.	21
Crime Stoppers SA	Crime Stoppers SA	Provides a program to enable the community and media to help police solve crime.	221
Disability Information and Legal Assistance Unit	Legal Services Commission	Legal support and assistance service for South Australians with disability.	150
National Coronial Information System	Department of Justice & Community Safety	The National Coronial Information System is a data repository containing information about deaths reported to a Coroner in Australia and New Zealand.	40
National Criminal Court Statistics Unit (NCCSU)	Australian Bureau of Statistics	State contribution to the NCCSU to compile, analyse, publish and disseminate uniform national criminal courts statistics, subject to the provisions of the <i>Census and Statistics Act 1905</i> .	21

Grant program/fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	Value 2023-24 \$
<b>Attorney-General</b>			
National Legal Assistance Partnership	Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement	Provision of legal assistance services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in South Australia.	7,813
National Legal Assistance Partnership	Community Justice Services	Provision of legal assistance services to vulnerable people in South Australia.	2,343
National Legal Assistance Partnership	Legal Services Commission	Provision of legal aid services (Commonwealth funding).	22,960
National Legal Assistance Partnership	Northern Community Legal Service	Provision of legal assistance services to vulnerable people in South Australia.	1,740
National Legal Assistance Partnership	Uniting Communities Law Centre	Provision of legal assistance services to vulnerable people in South Australia.	1,988
National Legal Assistance Partnership	Westside Community Lawyers	Provision of legal assistance services to vulnerable people in South Australia.	1,751
National Legal Assistance Partnership	Women's Legal Service SA	Provision of legal assistance services to vulnerable people in South Australia.	4,152
National Legal Assistance Partnership	Working Women's Centre SA	Provision of legal assistance services to vulnerable people in South Australia.	655
Operation Flinders	Operation Flinders	Provides a crime prevention program for young offenders and young people at risk of reoffending.	514
Road Trauma Support Team	Road Trauma Support Team of SA Association Inc.	Provides support to people impacted by road trauma.	106
Treatment Intervention Court	Legal Services Commission	Provide general legal defence services for defendants referred to, and accepted into, the Treatment Intervention Court Program.	194
<b>Aboriginal Affairs</b>			
Aboriginal Lands Trust	Aboriginal Lands Trust	Administration of the Aboriginal Lands Trust Act 2013.	1,005
Aboriginal Visitors Scheme	Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement	To provide care, comfort and support to Aboriginal people who are in police custody.	187
Administration of the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Land Rights Act 1981	Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY)	Administration of the APY Land Rights Act 1981.	1,593
Administration of the Maralinga Tjarutja Land Rights Act 1984	Maralinga Tjarutja	Administration of the Maralinga Tjarutja Land Rights Act 1984.	742
Bringing Them Home—Link-Up SA Program	Nunkuwarnin Yunti	To provide family tracing, reunion and counselling services to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and their families who have been separated under the past policies and practices of the Australian Government.	86
Buthera Agreement	Narungga Nation Aboriginal Corporation	The Buthera Agreement commits the State to collaboratively working with the Narungga Nation Aboriginal Corporation to drive development on Guuranda. The two priority areas of engagement are economic development and social services.	300
Implementation of Reconciliation SA's Business Plan	Reconciliation SA	Implementation of Reconciliation SA's Business Plan.	214
NAIDOC SA Activities	NAIDOC Committee	NAIDOC SA activities.	25
South Australian Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation Network (SAACCON)	Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement	To support the functions of the SAACCON which provides advice, recommendations and guidance to the Coalition of Peaks, and the South Australian, Commonwealth and Local Governments on the National Agreement on Closing the Gap.	1,501

Grant program/fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	Value 2023-24 \$
<b>Industrial Relations</b>			
Asbestos Diseases Society of South Australia	Asbestos Diseases Society of South Australia	To support the advocacy work along with education programs that seek to increase awareness in the community about the dangers of exposure to asbestos.	51
Asbestos Victims Association	Asbestos Victims Association	To support advocacy work, along with education programs that seek to increase awareness in the community about the dangers of exposure to asbestos.	51
Augusta Zadow Award	Residents of South Australia who are selected following and application and judging process. Application process is currently open.	This funding is used to meet the costs of a work health and safety initiative that benefits young workers or working women, which may involve practical solutions, research or further education.	25
Mates in Construction	Mates in Construction	To support suicide prevention work, along with case management support for workers in need in the construction and mining industry.	62
Safe Work Australia	Safe Work Australia	South Australia's contribution to the administration of Safe Work Australia pursuant to the Intergovernmental Agreement for Regulatory and Operational Reform in Occupational Health and Safety.	854
Sponsorships Program	Contribution for various work health and safety awards, expos and conferences undertaken by South Australian organisations. Beneficiaries are: South Australian Mines Emergency Response Competition Premier's Awards in Mining and Energy Human Factors & Ergonomics Society of Australia Conference	To support work health and safety initiatives in South Australia.	19
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The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Administered:

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
<b>Attorney-General</b>				
Child Protection Fund	To fund work which protects children.	444	454	464
Justice Rehabilitation Fund	To fund programs and facilities that will further crime prevention and rehabilitation strategies.	1,989	1,913	2,229
Legal Services Commission	Legal Aid Services (State).	28,600	25,648	26,043
State Expensive Criminal Cases	Reimburse Legal Services Commission for state expensive criminal cases.	422	422	422
Victims of Crime Fund	To advance the interests of victims of crime or assist in the prevention of crime.	5,106	5,209	5,322
<b>Aboriginal Affairs</b>				
APY Lands Taskforce Fund	To address the impacts of petrol sniffing and associated issues.	7,548	7,736	7,930

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, or any commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	Value 2023-24 \$
<b>Attorney-General</b>			
Child Protection Fund	Port Adelaide Football Club	Aboriginal Power Cup—an early intervention strategy aimed at encouraging young Aboriginal students to continue their education and make positive lifestyle choices.	108
Child Protection Fund	SA Health	SA Health receives funding to support social workers at the Child Protection Service (North and South) and an additional service at the Lyell McEwin Hospital.	143
Child Protection Fund	Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions	To fund a Witness Assistance Service Officer to provide support and referral services to child and adolescent victims and witnesses who have been subjected to serious sexual offending and high-risk children and their families in domestic and family violence matters.	44
Child Protection Fund	Crown Solicitor's Office	To meet the demand for legal work on care and protection matters undertaken on behalf of the Department for Child Protection.	149
Justice Rehabilitation Fund	Department for Correctional Services	Keeping Victims Informed (KVI)—KVI provides information to high risk victims of domestic and family violence who register to receive services and whose accused perpetrators are in the custody or under the supervision of the Department for Correctional Services to facilitate victim safety planning.	306
Justice Rehabilitation Fund	Metropolitan Youth Health	SPACE—The SPACE program provides early intervention support to young parents aged between 12 and 25 years who experience or perpetrate domestic and family violence. The program aims to reduce the risk of children being exposed to domestic and family violence.	210
Legal Services Commission – Legal Aid	Legal Services Commission	Legal Aid Services (State funding).	28,600
State Expensive Criminal Cases	Legal Services Commission	Reimburse Legal Services Commission for state expensive criminal cases.	422
Victims of Crime Fund	Homicide Victim Support Group (HVSG)	HVSG is a community-led organisation supporting people who have experienced the trauma of homicide. The organisation is run by volunteers and offers support and information to anyone affected by homicide.	14
Victims of Crime Fund	Legal Services Commission	Women's Domestic Violence Court Assistance Service—Provide expert and specialist information, legal advice and legal representation to women navigating the court system with difficult or complex domestic and family violence matters that fall outside the remit and/or expertise of other Commonwealth and State funded domestic and family violence legal services in South Australia.	859
Victims of Crime Fund	Northern Adelaide Local Health Network	Forensic Victims Register -Funding is provided to the Forensic Mental Health Service to maintain a Forensic Victim Register of victims and next of kin where the defendant is mentally ill.	135
Victims of Crime Fund	Department of Human Services	Family Safety Framework—FSF ensures families at high risk of family and domestic violence can access services in a structured and systematic way, through agencies sharing information and supporting victims to navigate the service system.	134
Victims of Crime Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia	Rebuild—A state-wide, trauma responsive counselling and support service for victims of crime.	1,459
Victims of Crime Fund	Women's Safety Services SA	Coercive Control 24/7 DV Gateway—enhance the pre-existing 24/7 Domestic Violence Crisis Line to incorporate a quick response coercive control screening, risk assessment and referral service.	174
Victims of Crime Fund	Yarrow Place	Country Response Program—The Country Response Program provides sexual assault counselling in the Riverland, Mount Gambier and Whyalla, as well as outreach to surrounding areas including Port Augusta and Port Lincoln.	525



Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	Value 2023-24 \$
<b>Attorney-General</b>			
Victims of Crime Fund	Yarrow Place	Forensic Medical Services—The 'Provision of Forensic Medical Services to Victims of Rape and Sexual Assault' program contributes to the recruitment and training of casual medical officers and the on-call allowance to medical officers for after-hours forensic medical services.	131
Victims of Crime Fund	South Australian Housing Authority	24/7 DV Gateway—The Domestic Violence Crisis Line provides crisis counselling, support and referral to safe accommodation.	234
Victims of Crime Fund	Victim Support Service	Court Companions—The program is a free and confidential service providing trained volunteers to accompany victims of crime during their time in court, until the victim is dismissed.	158
Victims of Crime Fund	Victim Support Service	Safer Spaces—The Safer Spaces program will provide confidential telephone support to victims of crime navigating the criminal justice system between the hours of 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.	105

Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	Value 2023-24 \$
<b>Aboriginal Affairs</b>			
APY Lands Taskforce Fund	Department for Education	Swimming Pools Program – APY Lands & Yalata Community.	743
APY Lands Taskforce Fund	Department for Health & Wellbeing (SA Health)	Aboriginal Environmental Health Worker Program APY Lands – Environmental health activities in APY communities.	426
APY Lands Taskforce Fund	Department for Health & Wellbeing (SA Health)	Amata Family Wellbeing Centre – Management of Health & family wellbeing programs and services provided to Amata Community at the Centre.	627
APY Lands Taskforce Fund	Department for Infrastructure and Transport (Services SA)	APY Lands Service Delivery Program – Delivery transaction & support services via the APY hotline from Port Pirie's Customer Service Centre.	105
APY Lands Taskforce Fund	Department of Human Services (DHS)	APY Lands Taskforce Program—delivery of youth programs and family services on the APY Lands.	2,494
APY Lands Taskforce Fund	SA Health – Drug and Alcohol Services SA (DASSA) APY Lands Outreach Program	Delivery of the APY Lands Outreach Program – Support Anangu, families, communities and primary healthcare services improve health and wellbeing across APY.	450
APY Lands Taskforce Fund	Mai Wiru Regional Stores Aboriginal Corporation	APY Community Administration Support – Support the employment of the Coordinator for the Community administration Support Officers and administrative and utilities for community offices in APY communities.	283

#### REMOTE WORK

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department (including the Public Trustee):

The percentage of the total AGD budget allocated specifically to the management of remote work infrastructure is estimated at less than 0.1 per cent as it has been in previous years.

#### EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

Since 1 July 2022, no executive appointments were made.

**EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

Since 1 July 2022, there were no executive positions abolished.

**EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

There have been no executive position terminations since 1 July 2022.

**CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

As required by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet Circular PC013—Annual Reporting Requirements for 2022-23 information relating to expenditure on consultants and contractors including the vendor, total cost and nature of work undertaken, will be detailed in annual reports published by agencies.

**CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

The estimated total cost for engagement of consultants and contractors in 2023-24 is \$519,000.

No external consultants were engaged at a total estimated cost above \$10,000 for 2023-24.

The following is a summary of external contractors that have been engaged at a total estimated cost above \$10,000, the nature of work undertaken, and the estimated cost for 2023-24.

Contractors	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
Hays Specialist Recruitment	Labour Hire	\$70,000
Randstad	Labour Hire	\$39,000
Paxus Australia	Labour Hire	\$246,000
The United Republic	Advertising Management Services	\$162,000

**GOODS AND SERVICES**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

The budgeted expenditure on goods and services for the financial year 2023-24 and each of the years of the forward estimates period is as follows:

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Total goods and services	4,966	3,561	16,194	9,951

**GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

No FTEs have been budgeted to provide communication and promotion activities for 2023-24 and the forward estimates. There is no employment cost as no FTEs have been budgeted to provide communication and promotion activities.

**GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

There is no budgeted cost of government-paid advertising, including campaigns, across all mediums in 2023-24.

As an open and transparent government, marketing communications activity reports and annual media expenditure details are proactively disclosed. The reports list all marketing campaigns over the cost of \$50,000 and budgeted expenditure for approved campaigns and are disclosed on the DPC website: <https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/about-the-department/accountability/government-marketing-advertising-expenditure>.

**GRANT PROGRAMS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

There is no grant program/fund under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Controlled or Administered.

**REMOTE WORK**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Electoral Commission of South Australia:

There is no budgeted expenditure for remote work infrastructure for the financial year 2023-24, and for previous years 2021-22 and 2022-23.

**EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

Since 1 July 2022, the following executive appointment was made.

Role Title	Classification
Principal Registrar Magistrates Court and Director Court Services	EXA

The total annual employment cost for these appointments is \$209,900.

Individual executive total remuneration package values (TRPV) as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

**EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

Since 1 July 2022, there was one executive position abolished.

Role Title	Classification
Executive Director and Principal Registrar Magistrates Court	EXB

The total annual employment cost for this abolished position is \$123,371.

Individual executive total remuneration package values as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

**EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

There have been no executive position terminations since 1 July 2022.

#### CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

As required by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet Circular PC013—Annual Reporting Requirements for 2022-23 information relating to expenditure on consultants and contractors including the vendor, total cost and nature of work undertaken, will be detailed in annual reports published by agencies.

#### CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

The estimated total cost for engagement of consultants and contractors in 2023-24 is \$0.193 million.

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged at a total estimated cost above \$10,000, the nature of work undertaken, and the estimated cost for 2023-24.

Consultancies	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
Nil		

The following is a summary of external contractors that have been engaged at a total estimated cost above \$10,000, the nature of work undertaken, and the estimated cost for 2023-24.

Contractors	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
JRM Consulting	Project Work IT Division	\$120,000
Pricewaterhouse Coopers	Internal audit services	\$73,000

#### GOODS AND SERVICES

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

The budgeted expenditure on goods and services for the financial year 2023-24 and each of the years of the forward estimates period is as follows:

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Total goods and services	27,042	26,009	26,038	26,103

#### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

Table 1 shows the total budgeted FTE to provide communication and promotion activities for 2023-24 and the forward estimates:

Table 1: FTE employed in communication and promotion activities

Unit/Branch		2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
		Budget \$'000	Budget \$'000	Budget \$'000	Budget \$'000
Communications TOTAL	FTE	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
	\$m	\$113	\$116	\$118	\$121

#### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

There is no budgeted cost of government-paid advertising, including campaigns, across all mediums in 2023-24.

As an open and transparent government, marketing communications activity reports and annual media Expenditure details are proactively disclosed. The reports list all marketing campaigns over the cost of \$50,000 and budgeted expenditure for approved campaigns and are disclosed on the DPC website: <https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/about-the-department/accountability/government-marketing-advertising-expenditure>.

**GRANT PROGRAMS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

There are no grant programs or funds administered by the Courts Administration Authority.

**REMOTE WORK**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Courts Administration Authority:

The budgeted expenditure for remote work infrastructure for the financial year 2023-24, and for previous years 2021-22 and 2022-23 is as follows:

	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Expenditure on remote work infrastructure	\$145	\$46	\$41

**EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

Since 1 July 2022, the following executive appointments were made.

Role Title	Classification
Executive Leader, Technology Transformation	Executive

Individual executive total remuneration package values (TRPV) as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

**EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

Since 1 July 2022, there were no executive positions abolished.

**EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

The total value of termination payments was nil.

**CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

As required by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet Circular PC013—Annual Reporting Requirements for 2022-23 information relating to expenditure on consultants and contractors including the vendor, total cost and nature of work undertaken, will be detailed in annual reports published by agencies.

#### CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

The estimated total cost for engagement of consultants and contractors in 2023-24 is \$13,331,368.

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged at a total estimated cost above \$10,000, the nature of work undertaken, and the estimated cost for 2023-24.

Consultancies	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
Finity Consulting	Actuarial advice	\$1,087,008
Frontier Advisors	Investment advice	\$517,000
KPMG	National Insurance standards	\$92,250
PwC	Risk management consulting	\$22,400

The following is a summary of external contractors that have been engaged at a total estimated cost above \$10,000, the nature of work undertaken, and the estimated cost for 2023-24.

Contractors	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
PwC	IT IDAM implementation	\$105,697

The difference between the total amount budgeted for contractors and consultants and the amounts disclosed above relate to planned work for which the procurement process is yet to commence.

#### GOODS AND SERVICES

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

The budgeted expenditure on goods and services for the financial year 2023-24 period is as follows:

	2023-24
	\$'000
Total goods and services	\$26,294

No forward budget cost estimates.

#### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

Table 1 shows the total budgeted FTE to provide communication and promotion activities for 2023-24 and the forward estimates:

Table 1: FTE employed in communication and promotion activities

Unit/Branch		2023-24 Budget
TOTAL	FTE	4.8
	\$m	0.626

No forward budget cost estimates.

#### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

There is nil budgeted cost for government paid advertising.

As an open and transparent government, marketing communications activity reports and annual media expenditure details are proactively disclosed. The reports list all marketing campaigns over the cost of \$50,000 and budgeted expenditure for approved campaigns and are disclosed on the DPC website: <https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/about-the-department/accountability/government-marketing-advertising-expenditure>.

#### GRANT PROGRAMS

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

There are no relevant grant programs or funds.

#### REMOTE WORK

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised that for the Return to Work Corporation of South Australia:

The budgeted expenditure for remote work infrastructure for the financial year 2023-24, and for previous years 2021-22 and 2022-23 is as follows:

	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Expenditure on remote work infrastructure	172	142	101

#### SURPLUS EMPLOYEES

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised the following:

The Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment maintains the Excess Employee Database for the South Australian public sector.

The following table has been prepared based on data as at 30 June 2023 and is presented in a format to ensure employee privacy is maintained.

A number of employees do not work full time and the enterprise agreement that applies to the individual employees specifies the rates of pay as either hourly, weekly, or annual rates of pay. The rates shown are as they appear in the enterprise agreement, with the exception of Department for Infrastructure and Transport employees where actual maximum salary is shown.

The enterprise agreements also specify increments for the rates of pay and this information is provided in the table as the salary/wage range payable for a full-time employee.

As of 30 June 2023, there were a total of 112 employees declared as excess to requirements across the SA public sector.

Some of the employees listed below have been excess for more than 12 months. These employees may have either undertaken short-term placements that have extended their time as excess beyond 12 months or are employed under enterprise agreements where the employee remains excess until they secure an ongoing role.

Agency	Classification/Title	Months Excess (as at 30 June 23)	Salary/Wage Payable (for a full-time employee (\$))
Department for Correctional Services	AS07	1	104,938—113,435 per annum
Department for Education	AS08	31	117,554—121,992 per annum
Department for Education	AS07	5	104,938—113,435 per annum
Department for Health & Wellbeing	AHP2	36	85,184—99,241 per annum
Department for Health & Wellbeing	AHP2	5	85,184—99,241 per annum
Department for Health & Wellbeing	AS07	8	104,938—113,435 per annum
Department for Health & Wellbeing	AS05	6	83,273—92,614 per annum
Department for Health & Wellbeing	AS03	10	65,606—69,919 per annum

Agency	Classification/Title	Months Excess (as at 30 June 23)	Salary/Wage Payable (for a full-time employee (\$))
Department for Health & Wellbeing	AS05	4	83,273—92,614 per annum
Department for Human Services	AS07	2	104,938—113,435 per annum
Department for Human Services	WHA2	35	50,000—69,000 per annum
Department for Human Services	WHA2	35	50,000—69,000 per annum
Department for Human Services	WHA3	35	50,000—69,000 per annum
Department for Human Services	WSE4	29	57,701—58,311 per annum
Department for Human Services	WMF6	29	83,139—84,883 per annum
Department for Human Services	WFM6	37	83,139—84,883 per annum
Department for Human Services	WMF6	37	83,139—84,883 per annum
Primary Industries & Regions	AS07	9	104,938—113,435 per annum
SA Housing Authority	AS04	1	74,315—77,901 per annum
TAFE SA	LECT03	32	82,472—115,847 per annum
TAFE SA	LEC04	32	82,472—115,847 per annum
TAFE SA	LEC04	16	115,817—120,189 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Electrical	2	93,268 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Air Con/Fridge mechanic	3	91,682 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	AS02	1	56,987—61,301 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	ASO2	8	56,987—61,301 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	AS03	9	65,606—69,919 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	ASO3	8	65,606—69,919 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	ASO3	20	65,606—69,919 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	AS06	1	95,588—101,109 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Boiler / Weld	5	94,215 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Building Worker	2	64,878—66,244 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Carpenter	4	84,883 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	DCAN	23	92,664 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Electrical	3	93,268 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF2	23	56,306—57,511 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF4	23	64,878—66,244 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF4	23	64,878—66,244 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF4	23	64,878—66,244 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF4	23	64,878—66,244 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF4	23	64,878—66,244 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF5	23	71,179—72,868 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF5	23	71,179—72,868 per annum



Agency	Classification/Title	Months Excess (as at 30 June 23)	Salary/Wage Payable (for a full-time employee (\$))
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF5	23	71,179—72,868 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF5	23	71,179—72,868 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF5	23	71,179—72,868 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	INF5	23	71,179—72,868 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Infrastructure Employee (Environmental)	8	77,306 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Lead Insp (track & civil)	4	64,878—66,244 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Lead Insp Track & Civil	4	94,215 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Lead Insp, Track & Civil	3	94,215 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Mechanical	3	84,883 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Network Ops Sup	2	84,117 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Network Ops Sup	6	87,515 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Network Ops Sup	7	86,000 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Ops Sup	7	87,515 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	OPS6	9	87,946—91,640 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	OPS6	8	87,946—91,640 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	OPS6	8	87,946—91,640 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	OPS6	1	87,946—91,640 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	OPS6	6	87,946—91,640 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Other	9	106,737 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Platform Coord	7	61,271 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Platform Coordinator	8	64,603 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Plumber	4	90,711 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Plumber	3	90,711.57 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PO2	26	85,665—94,801 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	9	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	6	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	7	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	8	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	23	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	7	71,434 per annum

Agency	Classification/Title	Months Excess (as at 30 June 23)	Salary/Wage Payable (for a full-time employee (\$))
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	23	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	23	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	7	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	8	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSA	25	71,434 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	PSE13	23	81,272 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Rail Com Main Elec	33	88,044 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Rail Com. Maintenance Mechanical	33	83,200 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Rail Com. Maintenance Mechanical	33	83,200 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Rail Com. Trams	34	79,678 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Rail Com. Trams	34	67,828 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	STD	7	97,854 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	STT1	23	83,646 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	STT1	23	97,908 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	STT1	23	97,908 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	STT1	23	97,908 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Suburban Train Driver	3	80,398 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	TR01	23	103,509 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Tradesperson	8	78,553 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Train Driver	15	94,681per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Tram Operator	9	75,895 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	Tram Operator	9	76,408 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WMF052	7	88,293 per annum

Agency	Classification/Title	Months Excess (as at 30 June 23)	Salary/Wage Payable (for a full-time employee (\$))
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WMM052	7	88,293 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WMM052	7	88,293 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WMM052	7	88,293 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WMM052	7	88,293 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WMM112	25	64,822 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WMM5A2	7	91,682 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WPA202	7	90,711 per annum
Department for Infrastructure & Transport	WTB902	7	81,493 per annum

#### REMOTE WORK

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised the following:

The South Australian public sector offers flexible working arrangements, including remote working, to attract and retain a productive, diverse and inclusive workforce.

To meet this long-standing commitment, individual agencies will have developed business continuity plans to ensure service delivery and productivity while considering the operational needs of teams and the circumstances of individual employees.

Employee requests for flexible working arrangements, including remote working, are balanced against operational requirements, assessed in accordance with business continuity plans, and approved requests are expected to be reviewed regularly.

The greater use of mobile technology since the COVID-19 pandemic has enabled more opportunity for those employees who can work remotely to do so. These employees can access relevant systems, including attendance records or timesheets, that underpin their productivity, regardless of location.

Technology has also helped managers remain connected with staff who work remotely and to lead hybrid teams where employees work across multiple locations. This connection allows managers to work with employees to identify and address any performance issues and promote employee engagement and collaboration within teams.

Every agency has a performance management and development system to optimise employee performance. Each system is tailored to suit the agency's context, culture and workforce, and is based on guidance from the Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment (OCPSE).

OCPSE, through its Leadership Academy, also offers training to managers to engage, set direction, and manage employee performance, to supplement written resources for managers of employees working remotely.

#### SIR SAMUEL WAY BUILDING

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

\$11.494 million reflects the total investing budget associated with the Sir Samuel Way Building Facade. The 2023-24 budget figure includes carryover of unspent funds.

#### COURT OF APPEAL OFFICE ACCOMMODATION

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The \$1.008 million represents a carryover of unspent funding from 2021-22. It has been deemed that the full amount of that funding is not necessary for what is needed for the Court of Appeal. That funding has been carried over for other critical works in the courts precinct, including that needed to accommodate hearings under Operation Ironside.

The \$1.348 million reflects the total budget allocated for these purposes.

#### **CORONIAL FINALISATIONS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

There has been no major methodology change regarding the future number of finalisations.

#### **FORENSIC SCIENCE BUILDING**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The need to extend the lease for existing forensic accommodation was the subject of discussions at estimates committee. The discussion was based on the original estimated completion date for the new facility of 2027, which aligned with the current lease expiry.

However, since estimates committee, I have been advised that in light of a revised estimated completion date for the new facility of January 2028, negotiation of a short-term lease extension for 21 Divett Place, as well as SAPOL accommodation at 60 Wakefield St, will need to be undertaken. The Department for Infrastructure and Transport will facilitate this process.

I would like to clarify the above points for the benefit of the committee.

#### **DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The decrease of 14.6 FTEs from the 2022-23 estimated result to the 2023-24 budget is mainly due to once-off time-limited funding provided in 2022-23 associated with complex criminal cases. This accounts for a decrease of 22.4 FTEs. It is expected that any additional funding required for 2023-24 will be considered as part of the 2023-24 Mid-Year Budget Review.

This decrease is partly offset by an increase of 7.0 FTEs associated with funding provided in 2023-24 for the prosecution of matters relating to Operation Ironside.

#### **CIVIL FEES**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

1. The \$4 million variance between 2021-22 actual and 2022-23 represents lower actual collections compared to budget.
2. Fees have been increased by the standard government fee index of 4.8 per cent.

#### **COURTS ADMINISTRATION AUTHORITY**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The total FTE for courts has remained stable. The variation in the civil program is due to the workload allocation of resources across the different programs, including corporate staff.

#### **ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The estimated expenses for 2022-23 were lower than the original budget mainly due to efficiencies generated in processing postal ballot materials for more than 1.2 million electors and 429,000 returned declarations for the local government periodic elections in 2022. This saving was partially offset by additional legal fees incurred following both the council elections and the 2022 state election.

**ULURU STATEMENT FROM THE HEART**

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

As part of the 2022-23 state budget, this government committed \$500,000 per annum (indexed) from 2022-23 to implement the Uluru Statement from the Heart.

The Uluru Statement is the consensus position agreed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and leaders from across Australia who participated in an extensive consultation process that culminated in the First Nations National Constitutional Convention held at Uluru in the Northern Territory in May 2017.

As I informed the committee, the three elements in the statement—Voice, Treaty and Truth—are defined sequentially. The work undertaken by the Commissioner for First Nations Voice during 2022-23 represents the first stage of this process.

I am advised that \$496,000 was spent by the Commissioner for First Nations Voice in 2022-23. This included the salary costs for the commissioner and his office during this period. The tasks undertaken by the commissioner during this time included two rounds of statewide community engagement.

Consideration is being given to the allocation of the remaining budget across the forward estimates.

**COMMISSIONER FOR PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYMENT**

In reply to **Mr COWDREY (Colton)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The increase of \$257,000 from the 2022-23 budget of \$2.938 million to the 2022-23 estimated result of \$3.195 million, is due to additional funding provided in 2022-23 for the following items:

- (a) \$118,000 for outsourced solicitor costs; and
- (b) \$139,000 for the transfer of the operational responsibility for the employment and performance appraisal process for South Australian public sector chief executives from the Department of the Premier and Cabinet to the OCPSE.

**WORKPLACE INVESTIGATION SERVICES PANEL**

In reply to **Mr COWDREY (Colton)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

There have been 28 completed investigations under the Workplace Investigation Services Panel (WISP) established by the Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment (OCPSE) since it commenced on 28 February 2022.

The WISP was established to support agencies through expertise and additional resources to undertake investigations in a timely manner. Use of the panel is not mandatory, some agencies have their own in-house staff to conduct investigations, however the panel provides further options where the capacity may not exist.

The following is a breakdown of the agencies which have procured investigation services under the WISP:

Engaging Agency	Number of Investigations
Adelaide Festival Centre	1
Central Adelaide Local Health Network	2
Department for Health and Wellbeing	2
Department of the Premier and Cabinet (on behalf of another agency)	1
Department of the Premier and Cabinet	3
Department for Trade and Investment	2
SA Ambulance Service	1
SA Country Fire Service	1
SA Medical Imaging	3
SA Metropolitan Fire Service	4
Southern Adelaide Local Health Network	2
Wellbeing SA	1
Yorke and Northern Local Health Network	4
Barossa, Hills and Fleurieu Local Health Network	1

These numbers do not represent the total workplace investigations in government, as many investigations are conducted by public sector employees within agencies.

The investigations conducted under the WISP are chiefly to assist agencies to gather relevant document and witness evidence. Agencies maintain the responsibility for making any findings, and taking any disciplinary action or similar, using the evidence gathered and after conducting their own processes for this purpose.

I am also advised that OCPSE does not gather information on the outcome of investigations conducted under the WISP.

#### OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYMENT

In reply to **Mr COWDREY (Colton)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The Office of the Commissioner for Public Sector Employment (OCPSE) will report on the number of investigations into breaches of the code of ethics for the period 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023 as part of the 2023 State of the Sector report. The report will be tabled in parliament within 12 sitting days of my receipt of the report and will be publicly available through the OCPSE website.

OCPSE is currently undertaking the data collection and verification for the 2023 State of the Sector report. As such, I am advised that OCPSE is not currently in a position to provide current data on the number of investigations.

Historically, data in the state of the sector has been reported at the sector level, including data on code of ethics investigations. The commissioner is considering whether to provide de-aggregated data in this year's State of the Sector report.

#### PUBLIC SECTOR ENTERPRISE BARGAINING

In reply to **Mr COWDREY (Colton)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The following information outlines the current enterprise agreements across the public sector, their date of commencement (date they come into force) and their nominal expiry date.

Enterprise Agreement	Commencement Date	Nominal Expiry Date
SA Health Clinical Academics Enterprise Agreement 2018	24 January 2019	31 March 2021
SA Health Visiting Medical Specialists Enterprise Agreement 2018 (1)	10 May 2019	30 June 2021
Adelaide Festival Centre – Professional and Administration Agreement 2020	14 January 2021	30 June 2022
Adelaide Festival Centre Performing Arts Centre Enterprise Agreement 2020	18 March 2021	30 June 2022
Adelaide Cemeteries Authority Enterprise Agreement 2021 (2)	20 May 2021	30 September 2022
ForestrySA Enterprise Agreement 2020 (3)	14 January 2021	13 January 2023
Adelaide Venue Management Corporation / United Workers Union Enterprise Agreement 2019–2022	22 January 2020	21 January 2023
South Australian School and Preschool Education Staff Enterprise Agreement 2020	23 March 2020	22 March 2023
State Theatre Company of South Australia Workshop and Props Enterprise Agreement 2021	2 August 2021	31 March 2023
Rail Commissioner Tram Operations Enterprise Agreement 2020 (Federal)	8 June 2020	30 June 2023
Rail Commissioner Rail Operations Enterprise Agreement (Federal)	3 December 2020	31 December 2023
South Australia Police Enterprise Agreement 2021	1 January 2021	31 December 2023
Rail Commissioner Maintenance Employees Enterprise Agreement 2023 (Federal)	13 March 2023	29 February 2024
Rail Commissioner Infrastructure Employees Enterprise Agreement 2023 (Federal)	9 March 2023	29 February 2024
Parliament House: Three agreements—Staff Employed Under the Parliament (Joint Services) Act 1985 Enterprise Agreement 2021, as well as the unregistered agreements—Employees of the House of Assembly Enterprise Agreement and Employees of the Legislative Council Enterprise Agreement (4)	23 December 2021	31 March 2024
HomeStart Finance Enterprise Agreement 2021	8 April 2021	7 April 2024

Enterprise Agreement	Commencement Date	Nominal Expiry Date
SA Water Corporation Enterprise Agreement 2021 – 2024 (Federal)	17 February 2022	30 June 2024
Return to Work SA Enterprise Agreement 2021	2 August 2021	1 August 2024
Superannuation Funds Management Corporation of South Australia (trading as Funds SA) Enterprise Agreement 2021	18 October 2021	17 October 2024
South Australian Public Sector Enterprise Agreement: Salaried 2021 (as varied 1 March 2023)	9 December 2021	8 December 2024
Assistants to the Members of the South Australian Parliament Enterprise Agreement 2021	5 January 2022	4 January 2025
SA Health Salaried Medical Officers Enterprise Agreement 2022	2 February 2022	1 February 2025
SA Ambulance Services Enterprise Agreement 2022	9 August 2022	31 December 2024
South Australia Metropolitan Fire Services Enterprise Agreement 2022	22 December 2022	1 January 2025
South Australian Public Sector Wages Parity Enterprise Agreement: Weekly Paid 2022	2 March 2022	1 March 2025
TAFE SA Educational Staff Enterprise Agreement 2022	14 April 2022	13 April 2025
SA Health Visiting Dental Specialists Enterprise Agreement 2021	3 March 2022	2 March 2025
Nursing/Midwifery (South Australian Public Sector) Enterprise Agreement 2022	1 October 2022	31 July 2025
West Beach Trust Enterprise Agreement 2023	28 April 2023	31 July 2025

(1) A proposed new SA Health Visiting Medical Specialists Enterprise Agreement 2023 is currently at ballot.

(2) An application for a proposed new Adelaide Cemeteries Authority Enterprise Agreement 2023 is currently before the SAET.

(3) ForestrySA made an offer for a new ForestrySA Enterprise Agreement 2023 on 4 July 2023.

(4) Of these agreements only the staff employed under the Parliament (Joint Services) Act 1985 Enterprise Agreement 2021 is approved by the SAET, the others are unregistered. These agreements are not subject to government wages policy and do not bind the declared employer of public employees. They are negotiated under the auspices of SA parliament.

#### SAFEWORK SA

In reply to **Mr COWDREY (Colton)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. K.J. MAHER (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Attorney-General, Minister for Industrial Relations and Public Sector):** I have been advised:

The table below provides SafeWork SA's compliance and inspector staff numbers for the 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24 financial years.

SafeWork SA is expecting to fill six Inspector positions in the coming weeks and will soon be commencing further recruitment to fill the remaining funded positions.

As of 01 July of each financial year	Funded Positions (Budget FTEs)			Actual (FTE)		
	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
Managers & Team Leaders	17.3	17.0	17.0	17.0	17.0	17.1
Inspectors	65.7	70.0	68.0	59.3	57.9	56.6
Investigators	11.0	11.0	13.0	9.8	10.6	10.4
Senior Advisers & Specialist Staff	6.0	10.0	14.0	4.9	5.0	7.8
Total Compliance Branch	100.0	108.0	112.0	91.0	90.5	91.9

#### EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

Since 1 July 2022, the following executive appointments were made.

Role Title	Classification
Chief Procurement Officer	SAES1
Director, Communities and Justice	SAES1
Director, Organisational Development and Learning	SAES1
Director, Early Intervention Research Directorate	SAES1
Director, First Nations Practice & Partnerships	SAES1

Role Title	Classification
Director, Office of the Chief Executive and Governance	SAES1

The total annual employment cost for these appointments is \$954,000 (excluding oncosts).

Individual executive total remuneration package values (TRPV) as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

Since 1 July 2022, there were two executive positions abolished.

Role Title	Classification
Registrar, Central Assessment Unit	SAES1
Director, Procurement	SAES1

The total annual employment cost for these abolished positions is \$264,122 (excluding on costs).

Individual executive total remuneration package values as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

The total value of the termination payments was \$101,000 which excludes the value of accrued leave entitlements.

#### CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

As required by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet Circular PC013—Annual Reporting Requirements for 2022-23 information relating to expenditure on consultants and contractors including the vendor, total cost and nature of work undertaken, will be detailed in annual reports published by agencies.

#### CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

As at 27 July 2023, the estimated total cost for engagement of consultants and contractors in 2023-24 is \$430,588.

The following is a summary of external consultants that have been engaged at a total estimated cost above \$10,000, the nature of work undertaken, and the estimated cost for 2023-24.

Consultancies	Method of appointment	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
Richard Dennis	Direct Negotiation	Review the South Australian Disability Inclusion Act 2018	\$41,600
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$41,600</b>

The following is a summary of external contractors that have been engaged at a total estimated cost above \$10,000, the nature of work undertaken, and the estimated cost for 2023-24.

Contractors	Method of appointment	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
Alcohol and Drug Foundation Incorporated	Direct Negotiation	Develop and implement the Here for the Game Pilot Program	\$303,853



Contractors	Method of appointment	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
Parenting Research Centre Inc.	Open Market	Evaluate the Aboriginal Families in Western Adelaide Intensive Family Support Pilot Program	\$15,135
Satalyst Pty Ltd *	Direct Negotiation	Technical and system support for the Family Safety Portal	\$20,000
Yellow Wig Communications and Project Management Pty Ltd (*)	Direct Negotiation	Develop project plan and review screening system	\$50,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$388,988</b>

(\*) Where the contract does not specify the 2023-24 estimated cost, the total contract value has been included above.

**GOODS AND SERVICES**

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

The budgeted expenditure on goods and services for the financial year 2023-24 and each of the years of the forward estimates period is as follows:

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
DHS—Controlled Items	61,016	56,897	55,081	54,683
DHS—Administered Items	13,056	13,259	13,572	13,892

**GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING**

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

Table 1 shows the total budgeted FTE to provide communication and promotion activities for 2023-24 and the forward estimates:

Table 1: FTE employed in communication and promotion activities

Unit/Branch		2023-24 Budget	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Budget
Communications and Engagement	FTE	13	13	13	13
	\$m	1,599,826	1,624,922	1,663,097	1,721,047

**GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING**

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

As an open and transparent government, marketing communications activity reports and annual media expenditure details are proactively disclosed. The reports list all marketing campaigns over the cost of \$50,000 and budgeted expenditure for approved campaigns and are disclosed on the DPC website: <https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/about-the-department/accountability/government-marketing-advertising-expenditure>.

**GRANT PROGRAMS**

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised:

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Controlled:

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
Human Services				

Grant program/ fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
Communities and Families	Program commissions, funds and delivers community and family services that improve the lives of individuals and families across South Australia. Program promotes opportunity and affordability for vulnerable and disadvantaged South Australians through a range of state government concessions.	73,300	73,666	70,535
Youth Justice	Provided Statutory services to children and young people in the justice system which aim to reduce re-offending and acknowledge the victims of crime.	837	858	880
Disability Services	Advocacy Services and changing places	411	311	311

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, or any commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Communities and Families	Aboriginal Family Support Services Limited	Aboriginal Specific Outcomes Measurement Research Grant	60,000.00
Communities and Families	Aboriginal Family Support Services Limited	Intensive Family Services	13,215,878.00
Communities and Families	Aboriginal Family Support Services Limited	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Coober Pedy	480,000.00
Communities and Families	Aboriginal Family Support Services Limited	Strong Families, Strong Communities	601,931.00
Communities and Families	Aboriginal Health Council of South Australia Limited	Culturally Safe Brain Injury Training for Mob Grant	9,000.00
Communities and Families	Aboriginal Sobriety Group Indigenous Corporation	MentalHealth First Aid Training Train the Trainer Grant	6,363.64
Communities and Families	Access 2 Place Ltd	Cultural Awareness Grant	10,000.00
Communities and Families	American River Progress Association Inc	Community Sheds: American River Community Garden Grant	24,846.00
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Inc	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Murray Bridge	480,000.00
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Inc	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Riverland	480,000.00
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Limestone Coast)	1,087,551.39
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Murray and Mallee)	1,309,929.92
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Financial Counselling Services Program (Murray and Mallee)	644,257.77
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Financial Wellbeing Program (Limestone Coast)	2,507,981.29
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Financial Wellbeing Program (Murray Mallee)	2,959,637.71
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Intensive Family Services	3,580,998.00
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Strong Families, Strong Communities	954,788.00
Communities and Families	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Youth Support Development Program—Murray Bridge	1,120,239.00
Communities and Families	Anglicare SA Ltd	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Northern Adelaide)	2,226,276.88
Communities and Families	Anglicare SA Ltd	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Southern Adelaide)	1,124,239.61
Communities and Families	Anglicare SA Ltd	Crisis Support to Keep Children Safe and Well Grant	220,500.00
Communities and Families	Anglicare SA Ltd	Financial Wellbeing Program (Northern Adelaide)	8,882,018.94
Communities and Families	Anglicare SA Ltd	Intensive Family Services—Imminent Risk	3,503,691.00

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Communities and Families	Anglicare SA Ltd	Strong Families, Strong Communities	1,183,106.00
Communities and Families	Ardrossan Progress Association Inc	Community Sheds: Construction of a Staged Shed Extension Grant	23,137.00
Communities and Families	Australian Red Cross Society	Extreme Heat Response Service	165,563.64
Communities and Families	Australian Red Cross Society	Eyre Peninsula & South East Community Passenger Network	1,210,368.00
Communities and Families	Australian Red Cross Society	Mid-Murray Community Passenger Network Service	297,726.00
Communities and Families	Australian Red Cross Society	Riverland Community Passenger Network	359,146.00
Communities and Families	Australian Red Cross Society	Upper Spencer Gulf Community Passenger Network	85,419.00
Communities and Families	Australian Refugee Association Inc	Strong Families, Strong Communities	311,344.00
Communities and Families	Baptist Care (SA) Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Eastern Adelaide)	803,564.62
Communities and Families	Baptist Care (SA) Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Northern Adelaide)	1,858,409.29
Communities and Families	Baptist Care (SA) Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Southern Adelaide)	911,363.93
Communities and Families	Black Ops—Veterans Garage INC	Shed Grants—Construction of a Veterans Garage at Willaston	250,000.00
Communities and Families	Bungala Aboriginal Corporation Incorporated	Bungala Exceptional Needs Training Project Grant	5,090.91
Communities and Families	Carer Support & Respite Centre Incorporated	Community Connections—Carer Support Partner	922,915.47
Communities and Families	Carers and Disability Link Incorporated	Community Connections—Carer Support Partner	155,370.53
Communities and Families	Carers Association of SA Incorporated	Community Connections—Carer Support Partner	3,467,577.04
Communities and Families	Carers Association of SA Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island)	812,428.35
Communities and Families	Carers Association of SA Incorporated	Sector Support and Advocacy	388,951.00
Communities and Families	Catholic Church Endowment Society Inc	Breathing Space Program	2,890,846.91
Communities and Families	Catholic Church Endowment Society Inc	Community Connections—Community Partner (Northern Adelaide)	464,598.56
Communities and Families	Catholic Church Endowment Society Inc	Community Connections—Community Partner (Western Adelaide)	492,307.15
Communities and Families	Catholic Church Endowment Society Inc	Intensive Family Services	21,205,476.00
Communities and Families	Catholic Family Services (Centacare)	Applying Aboriginal Knowledges to Trauma Training Grant	8,000.00
Communities and Families	Catholic Family Services (Centacare)	Community Connections—Carer Support Partner	923,897.02
Communities and Families	CatholicCare NT as trustee for the Catholic Church of the Diocese of Darwin Property Trust	Community Connections—Aboriginal Partners (Amata, APY Lands)	129,507.00
Communities and Families	Ceduna Aboriginal Corporation	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Ceduna	480,000.00
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Community Connections—Community Partner (Eyre and Western)	487,007.03
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Community Connections—Community Partner (Far North)	832,677.54
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Community Connections—Community Partner (Yorke and Mid North)	1,291,779.66
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Eyre and Western)	703,723.05
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Far North)	664,100.50

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Yorke and Mid North)	847,203.79
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Financial Counselling Services Program (Eyre and Western)	676,541.46
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Financial Counselling Services Program (Far North)	510,229.15
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Financial Wellbeing Program (Eyre and Western)	2,228,259.31
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Intensive Family Services	4,530,827.00
Communities and Families	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	Strong Families, Strong Communities	553,503.00
Communities and Families	Child and Family Welfare Association of SA Inc	Sector Support and Advocacy	383,753.00
Communities and Families	Child and Youth Services Mutual Ltd	CPI Safety Intervention—Train the Trainer Grant	8,140.00
Communities and Families	City of Onkaparinga	Community and Neighbourhood Development—Direct Engagements	891,342.00
Communities and Families	City of Onkaparinga	Community and Neighbourhood Development—Direct Engagements	891,342.00
Communities and Families	City of Onkaparinga	Community and Neighbourhood Development—Direct Engagements	891,342.00
Communities and Families	City of Onkaparinga	Men's Shed in Aberfoyle Park Grant	40,000.00
Communities and Families	City of Onkaparinga	Southern Metropolitan Community Passenger Network	289,473.00
Communities and Families	City of Playford	Community and Neighbourhood Development—Direct Engagements	891,342.00
Communities and Families	City of Playford	Northern Metropolitan Community Passenger Network	495,304.00
Communities and Families	City of Port Adelaide Enfield	Community and Neighbourhood Development—Direct Engagements	891,342.00
Communities and Families	City of Salisbury	Community and Neighbourhood Development—Direct Engagements	891,342.00
Communities and Families	City of Victor Harbor	Victor Harbor Community Passenger Network	430,964.00
Communities and Families	Clare & Gilbert Valleys Council	Mid-North Community Passenger Network	363,553.00
Communities and Families	Community Accommodation and Respite Agency Inc	Increasing Evidence Based Trauma Informed Approach Grant	990.00
Communities and Families	Community Care and Transport Incorporated	Northern Community Passenger Network	215,649.15
Communities and Families	Community Care and Transport Incorporated	Northern Community Passenger Network (CPN) Vehicle Grant	58,000.00
Communities and Families	Community Care and Transport Incorporated	Yorke Peninsula Community Passenger Network	544,775.00
Communities and Families	Community Centres SA Incorporated	Community Connections—Capacity Building Partner	1,245,754.69
Communities and Families	Community Centres SA Incorporated	Sector Support and Advocacy	606,837.00
Communities and Families	Community Hubs Australia	Community Hubs Support South Australia	530,000.00
Communities and Families	Community Transitions	Community Connections—Community Partner (Western Adelaide)	492,307.16
Communities and Families	Corporation of the City of Marion	Inner Southern Metropolitan Community Passenger Network	184,082.00
Communities and Families	Disability Living Incorporated	Investing in Staff for the Benefit of Our Clients Grant	9,668.19
Communities and Families	District Council of Mount Remarkable	Northern Community Passenger Network	612,808.00
Communities and Families	Eudunda Community Hub and Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Community Together Room Grant	25,000.00

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Communities and Families	Flinders University	'Zero Hunger': Enhancing Nutrition, Dignity and Choice in Food Relief Services Grant	22,065.00
Communities and Families	Foodbank Of South Australia Incorporated	Food Relief Investment Grant	755,427.00
Communities and Families	Gawler Community House	Community and Neighbourhood Development—Direct Engagements	891,342.00
Communities and Families	Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand	Learning to Yarn About Money Grant	4,100.00
Communities and Families	Grandparents for grandchildren SA	Essential Team Training Grant	9,054.72
Communities and Families	Grandparents for grandchildren SA	Essential Team Training Grant	8,916.00
Communities and Families	Grandparents for grandchildren SA	Mutual Support and Information 'Villages' Grant	1,493,178.00
Communities and Families	Hutt Street Centre	Hutt St. Centre Learning Tree Grant	7,525.00
Communities and Families	Junction Australia Ltd	Financial Wellbeing Program (Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island)	1,785,761.04
Communities and Families	Junction Australia Ltd	Kangaroo Island Community Passenger Network	137,444.00
Communities and Families	Koonibba Community Aboriginal Corporation	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Koonibba	300,000.00
Communities and Families	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	Aboriginal-led Mental Health First Aid Training Grant	9,020.00
Communities and Families	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	Intensive Aboriginal Family Preservation Service (Taikurtirna Tirra-apinhi)	2,249,993.70
Communities and Families	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	Intensive Family Services	2,167,175.00
Communities and Families	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	Intensive Family Services – Education Pilot Program	1,265,000.00
Communities and Families	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	Strong Families, Strong Communities	879,308.00
Communities and Families	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	Strong Families, Strong Communities	311,344.00
Communities and Families	Kura Yerlo Incorporated	Community Sheds: Miyurna Taingiwiltarninhi (Making Men Stong) Grant	24,932.00
Communities and Families	Kura Yerlo Incorporated	Youth Support Development Program—Aboriginal Service	1,125,000.00
Communities and Families	Kyd-x Ltd	Communication Access Accreditation Grant	7,000.00
Communities and Families	Life Without Barriers	Cultural Awareness Train. Ceduna and Port Augusta Grant	7,178.00
Communities and Families	Life Without Barriers	Strong Families, Strong Communities	518,906.00
Communities and Families	Lifeline South East (SA) Incorporated	Financial Counselling Services Program (Limestone Coast)	505,393.86
Communities and Families	Lutheran Community Care	Community Connections—Community Partner (Barossa, Light and Lower North)	905,414.51
Communities and Families	Lutheran Community Care	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Adelaide Hills)	468,992.66
Communities and Families	Lutheran Community Care	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Barossa, Light and Lower North)	576,791.97
Communities and Families	Lutheran Community Care	Financial Wellbeing and Resilience (Adelaide Hills)	1,321,960.10
Communities and Families	Lutheran Community Care	Financial Wellbeing Program (Barossa, Light and Lower North)	1,762,586.92
Communities and Families	Lutheran Community Care	Financial Counselling Services Program (Adelaide Hills)	392,906.96
Communities and Families	Lutheran Community Care	Financial Counselling Services Program (Barossa Light and Lower North)	437,037.77
Communities and Families	Lutheran Community Care	Financial Counselling Services Program (Northern Adelaide)	2,525,323.83

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Communities and Families	MarionLife Community Services Incorporated	Community and Neighbourhood Development—Direct Engagements	891,342.00
Communities and Families	MarionLife Community Services Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Southern Adelaide)	455,674.41
Communities and Families	Money Mob Talkabout Limited	Financial Assistance to APY Lands	403,094.55
Communities and Families	Morella Community Centre Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Northern Adelaide)	464,598.54
Communities and Families	Mount Barker District Council	Respectfully—A Change Project Grant	6,909.00
Communities and Families	Mount Barker District Council	Adelaide Hills Community Passenger Network	549,843.00
Communities and Families	Mount Barker Family House Inc	Community Connections—Community Partner (Adelaide Hills)	537,109.03
Communities and Families	Multicultural Youth South Australia Incorporated	Financial Wellbeing Program—Multicultural Capacity Building Partner	184,537.50
Communities and Families	Multicultural Youth South Australia Incorporated	Multicultural Parenting: Professional Development Grant	2,000.00
Communities and Families	Multicultural Youth South Australia Incorporated	Sector Support and Advocacy	594,801.00
Communities and Families	Multicultural Youth South Australia Incorporated	Specialised Youth Intervention Program Grant	369,026.00
Communities and Families	Multicultural Youth South Australia Incorporated	Strong Families, Strong Communities	289,757.00
Communities and Families	Multicultural Youth South Australia Incorporated	Youth Support Development—Youth Safe Transport Service	2,201,088.00
Communities and Families	Multicultural Youth South Australia Incorporated	Youth Support Development Program—Multicultural Service	1,125,000.00
Communities and Families	Municipal Council of Roxby Downs	Construction of a Makers Space at Roxby Downs Grant	300,000.00
Communities and Families	Muslim Women's Association of South Australia	Upskilling and Staying Relevant for MWASA Grant	4,700.00
Communities and Families	Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Women's Council (Aboriginal Corporation)	Tjungu Team staff training	10,000.00
Communities and Families	Nganana Incorporated	Cultural Awareness Training Grant	10,000.00
Communities and Families	Northern Area Community and Youth Services Inc	Strong Families, Strong Communities	207,563.00
Communities and Families	Northern Area Community and Youth Services Inc	Working With Dissociation in Trauma	3,490.91
Communities and Families	Northern Area Community and Youth Services Inc	Youth Support Development Program—Barossa, Light and Lower North	1,463,868.00
Communities and Families	Northern Area Community and Youth Services Inc	Youth Support Development Program—Northern Adelaide	3,336,066.00
Communities and Families	Northern Volunteering SA Inc	Office for Volunteers Discretionary Grant	134,100.00
Communities and Families	Nunukuwarrin Yunti of South Australia Inc	Strong Families, Strong Communities	311,344.00
Communities and Families	Playgroup SA Incorporated	Community Playgroups	453,555.00
Communities and Families	Plaza Youth Centre Incorporated	Leadership Group, School Holidays Activities and Drop In	78,207.00
Communities and Families	Plaza Youth Centre Incorporated	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Whyalla	480,000.00
Communities and Families	Plaza Youth Centre Incorporated	Youth Support Development Program—Whyalla	1,196,640.00
Communities and Families	Point Pearce Aboriginal Community Centre	Point Pearce Youth Service Grant	60,000.00
Communities and Families	Port Augusta Youth Centre Incorporated	Port Augusta Social Vision Program—Youth Centre Activities	692,741.00

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Communities and Families	Port Neill Progress Association Inc	Community Sheds: Port Neill Men's Shed Storage Grant	4,002.00
Communities and Families	Post Polio Support Group of SA Inc	Polio SA Annual Funding Grant	83,050.31
Communities and Families	Raukkan Community Council Inc	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Coorong	480,000.00
Communities and Families	Reedbeds Community Centre Inc	First Nation Allyship and Autism Competence Grant	9,478.00
Communities and Families	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Childhood Sexual Abuse Counselling Services (CSACS)	1,459,823.00
Communities and Families	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Intensive Family Services	3,322,637.00
Communities and Families	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Western and Inner North Safe Start (Previously CFARN Western)	3,172,235.00
Communities and Families	Sammy D Foundation Incorporated	Upskilling Regional Youth Mentors Grant	3,168.00
Communities and Families	Sammy D Foundation Incorporated	Upskilling Youth Mentors Grant	6,200.00
Communities and Families	Skylight Mental Health Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Western Adelaide)	984,614.30
Communities and Families	Skylight Mental Health Incorporated	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Fleurieu and KI)	574,406.16
Communities and Families	Skylight Mental Health Incorporated	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Limestone Coast)	764,319.57
Communities and Families	Skylight Mental Health Incorporated	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Murray Mallee)	869,295.17
Communities and Families	Skylight Mental Health Incorporated	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Western Adelaide)	1,406,932.69
Communities and Families	South Australian Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation Network (SAACCON)	Financial Wellbeing Program—Aboriginal Capacity Building Partner	184,537.50
Communities and Families	South Australian Council of Social Service Inc.	Sector Support and Advocacy	1,529,605.00
Communities and Families	South Australian Rainbow Advocacy Alliance	SARAA Capacity Building Grant	50,000.00
Communities and Families	South Australian Rainbow Advocacy Alliance	SARAA Recruitment Grant	50,000.00
Communities and Families	Southern Volunteering (SA) Incorporated	Office for Volunteers Discretionary Grant	134,100.00
Communities and Families	Strathalbyn Woodcraft Group Inc	Community Sheds: Welder Strathalbyn Woodshed Grant	2,098.00
Communities and Families	Survivors of Torture and Trauma Assistance and Rehabilitation Service	Strong Families, Strong Communities	311,344.00
Communities and Families	SYC Ltd	SYC Youth Services Staff Development Grant	3,475.00
Communities and Families	Tailem Bend Community Centre Inc	Murray Mallee Community Passenger Network	446,067.00
Communities and Families	Talk Out Loud Ltd	Talk Out Loud Grant	103,814.00
Communities and Families	Tauondi Incorporated	Connection to Country Grant	90,000.00
Communities and Families	The Adelaide Day Centre For Homeless Persons Incorporated	Sensitive Skills for Specialised Services Grant	8,900.00
Communities and Families	The Barossa Council	Barossa Valley Community Passenger Network	368,359.00
Communities and Families	The Brain Injury Network Of South Australia Inc	Cultural Competence Training Grant	9,000.00
Communities and Families	The Equality Project Ltd	The Equality Project Grant	50,000.00
Communities and Families	The GOGO Foundation Ltd	Indigenous Co-Design Project Grant	9,300.00

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Communities and Families	The Gold Foundation Incorporated	Gold Foundation Grant	311,439.00
Communities and Families	The Moonshine Lab Pty Ltd	Development and Maintenance of the Pavely App	430,000.00
Communities and Families	The Naracoorte District Mens Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Naracoorte District Men's Shed Engine Workshop—Stage One Grant	25,000.00
Communities and Families	The Paraplegic and Quadriplegic Association of South Australia Ltd	Work Restoratively Reducing Restrictive Practices Grant	3,540.00
Communities and Families	The Playford Women's Shed	Playford Women's Shed to Support Development of the Women's Shed	120,000.00
Communities and Families	The South Australian Financial Counsellors Association Incorporated	Financial Wellbeing Program—Sector Capacity Building Partner	1,137,981.25
Communities and Families	The South Australian Financial Counsellors Association Incorporated	Sector Support and Advocacy	470,827.00
Communities and Families	The South Australian Society of Model & Experimental Engineers Inc	Rebuild Workshop at SASMEE Grant	151,000.00
Communities and Families	The Trustee for The Salvation Army (SA) Property Trust	Affordable SA	576,766.00
Communities and Families	The Trustee for The Salvation Army (SA) Property Trust	ATSI Cultural Training for Staff Grant	8,500.00
Communities and Families	The Trustee for The Salvation Army (SA) Property Trust	Port Augusta Social Vision Program—Youth Safe Transport Service	430,806.00
Communities and Families	The Trustee for the Salvation Army (SA) Property Trust	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Port Augusta	480,000.00
Communities and Families	The Trustee for The Salvation Army (SA) Property Trust	Youth Support Development Program—Port Augusta	1,090,557.00
Communities and Families	Tullawon Health Service Inc	MEC & REC Training for Local Aboriginal Workforce Grant	9,167.30
Communities and Families	Uniting Care Wesley Bowden Incorporated	Financial Counselling Services Program (Western Adelaide)	982,099.11
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Bfriend Program	1,541,588.00
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Northern Adelaide)	1,393,810.74
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Southern Adelaide)	911,363.93
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Community Connections—Regional Coordinating Partners (Eastern Adelaide)	555,229.09
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Consumer Credit Legal Service	2,718,300.00
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Family by Family	5,461,356.00
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Financial Counselling Services Program (Eastern Adelaide)	622,927.55
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Financial Counselling Services Program (Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island)	420,962.26
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Financial Counselling Services Program (Southern Adelaide)	1,667,737.28
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Financial Wellbeing Program (Eastern Adelaide)	1,669,810.80
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Financial Wellbeing Program (Southern Adelaide)	4,104,805.55
Communities and Families	Uniting Communities Incorporated	State-wide Disability Advocacy Services	1,200,000.00



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Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Financial Counselling Services Program (Yorke and Mid North)	584,388.91
Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Financial Wellbeing Program (Far North)	2,033,469.28
Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Financial Wellbeing Program (Yorke and Mid North)	2,888,323.54
Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Food Relief Investment Grant	96,196.00
Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Intensive Family Services	4,931,279.00
Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Port Pirie	480,000.00
Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Strong Families, Strong Communities	352,856.00
Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Youth Support Development Program—Port Pirie	1,113,219.00
Communities and Families	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Youth Wellbeing Project Grant	131,500.00
Communities and Families	UnitingCare Wesley Bowden Incorporated	Financial Wellbeing Program (Western Adelaide)	5,380,297.96
Communities and Families	UnitingCare Wesley Bowden Incorporated	Strong Families, Strong Communities	1,086,046.00
Communities and Families	UnitingSA Ltd	Building a Culturally Responsive Service-Regional Grant	5,340.00
Communities and Families	UnitingSA Ltd	Youth Support Development Program—Southern Adelaide	1,313,577.00
Communities and Families	UnitingSA Ltd	Youth Support Development Program—Western Adelaide	1,269,981.00
Communities and Families	Unity Housing Company Ltd	Street Speak—Limestone Coast Grant	10,000.00
Communities and Families	University of South Australia	Aboriginal Post Graduate Research Scholarship Grant	136,363.64
Communities and Families	University of South Australia	ARC Project—Zero Hunger Grant Agreement (Terminated)	30,000.00
Communities and Families	Victim Support Services Incorporated	ENU Training and Development Support Funding Grants	8,727.27
Communities and Families	Vietnamese Community In Australia/ South Australia Chapter Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Western Adelaide)	984,614.30
Communities and Families	Volunteering SA And NT Incorporated	Corporate Volunteering Grants	132,400.00
Communities and Families	Volunteering SA And NT Incorporated	Sector Support and Advocacy	1,121,566.00
Communities and Families	Volunteering SA And NT Incorporated	Volunteering Strategy for SA Support Grant	344,250.00
Communities and Families	West Coast Youth & Community Support Inc	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Port Lincoln	480,000.00
Communities and Families	West Coast Youth and Community Support Incorporated	Community Connections—Community Partner (Eyre and Western)	487,007.03
Communities and Families	West Coast Youth and Community Support Incorporated	Positive Intervention Matters Grant	7,150.00
Communities and Families	West Coast Youth and Community Support Incorporated	Strong Families, Strong Communities	276,747.00
Communities and Families	West Coast Youth and Community Support Incorporated	Youth Support Development Program—Port Lincoln	1,083,339.00
Communities and Families	Whitelion Youth Agency Ltd	ATSI Mental Health First Aid Training Grant	9,585.00
Communities and Families	Yalata Community Council Inc	Service to Aboriginal Youth (STAY)—Yalata	300,000.00

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Communities and Families	YMCA of South Australia Youth and Family Services Inc	Youth Parliament 2022-2024 Grant	187,697.00
Communities and Families	Youth Affairs Council of South Australia	Sector Support and Advocacy	1,355,842.00

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Youth Justice	Aboriginal Drug & Alcohol Council (SA) Inc	Ceduna Safety and Wellbeing Transport Service	318,181.82
Youth Justice	Aboriginal Drug & Alcohol Council (SA) Inc	Day Centre Extend Operating Hours Grant	90,000.00
Youth Justice	Australian Red Cross Society	Justice Reinvestment Port Adelaide	1,298,837.00
Youth Justice	Australian Red Cross Society	Police Call Out Support Program	151,474.53
Youth Justice	Davenport Community Council Inc	Community Participation Grant	20,000.00
Youth Justice	Far West Community Partnerships Limited	Service and Partnership Lead Position Funding Grant	324,000.00
Youth Justice	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	Aboriginal NDIS Access Grant	220,000.00
Youth Justice	Kornar Winmil Yunti Aboriginal Corporation	Intensive Outreach Case Management Program—Stream 1 (Wanti Tapa)	250,813.00
Youth Justice	Mind Australia Limited	Intensive Outreach Case Management Program—Stream 2 (Towards Pathways)	250,813.00
Youth Justice	Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Women's Council (Aboriginal Corporation)	APY Lands Youth Programs—2019-2022	6,595,162.00
Youth Justice	SYC Ltd	Community Service Order Program	1,260,500.00
Youth Justice	The University of Adelaide	Youth Justice Practice Development Partnership Grant	190,000.00
Youth Justice	West Coast Youth and Community Support Incorporated	Assertive Outreach Grant	12,940.00
Youth Justice	West Coast Youth and Community Support Incorporated	Night Bus Service Grant	32,760.00
Youth Justice	West Coast Youth and Community Support Incorporated	West Coast Youth Community Support Cultural Camps Grant	10,000.00

Note – The table above incorporates grant funding and not for profit funded services agreements, but excludes fee for service contracts. The total contract value represents total amounts across the total contract term, which in some cases extends across years prior to 2023-24 and years beyond 2025-26. The values do not include any indexation amounts that may be payable under the contract.

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Administered:

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
Human Services				
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Established to provide small one-off grants to a wide range of community organisations and service providers	4,430	3,888	3,832
Community Service Obligations	Water and sewerage rate concessions for exempt properties	19,548	20,217	20,911
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Services and projects to minimise or address problem gambling	8,915	7,778	7,520

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, or any commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund			
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	ActNow Theatre Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor—Intersectional CACD Performing Arts Workshops Grant	8,750.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Adelaide Bike Kitchen	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Renovating our Community Workshop Space Grant	9,915.40
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Adelaide Northern Division of General Practice Limited	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Strong in Body, Mind and Culture: Aboriginal Men's Jiu Jitsu Program Grant	24,545.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Adelaide Tamil Association	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor—Measures to Upkeep Mental Health Amongst Women in Tamil Community Grant	9,600.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	African Women's Federation of SA	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Capacity Building in Improving Access to African Women's Community Garden Grant	9,899.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Allan Campbell & WCH House Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Improving the Mental Health Education of RMHC Volunteers and Staff Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Anangu Ngangkari Tjutaku Aboriginal Corporation	Strengthening ANTAC's Sustainability and Good Governance Practices Grant	49,973.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Ananguku Mimili Maku Arts Aboriginal Corporation	Outdoor Space & Accessibility Upgrade Grant	49,964.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Andamooka Progress & Opalminers Association Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor—Community Bakehouse Project	9,400.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Anglican Community Care Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Outdoor Waiting Room Grant	23,189.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Australian Plants Society—South Australian Region Incorporated	Community Sheds: Secure Storage Facility for the APS Northern Yorke Peninsula Group Kadina Grant	12,189.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Australian Red Cross Society	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Red Cross Berri Community Hub Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Australian Vietnamese Association Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor—Inter-Generations Cultural Links Bus Tours Grant	2,497.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Bagster Road Community Centre Inc	Strategic Management Committee Training Grant	6,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Berri Community Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Shed Extension Grant	22,700.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Birdwood United Church Incorporated	Community Pantry Freezer Grant	1,409.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Bosniaks' Association of South Australia—Bosniaks' Masjid Adelaide Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Community Garden Grant	5,290.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Bungala Aboriginal Corporation Incorporated	Bungala Governance and Leadership Improvement Project Grant	32,804.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Camden Community Centre Inc	Community Sheds: Men's Shed Upgrade Grant	22,243.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia	Port Pirie Community Greening (Round 2)—Overflow Camping and Parking Upgrade Grant	9,245.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Carrackalinga Board of Management	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor—Carrickalinga House Projection Equipment Grant	1,595.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Catholic Church Endowment Society Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—The Cook's Kitchen Grant	1,348.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Catholic Family Services	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Reconnecting Rainbows Grant	7,881.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Christie Downs Community House	eLearning Content Design Grant	19,676.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Church of Christ Blair Athol Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Purchase of Chairs & Tables Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Churches Of Christ In SA & NT Community Care Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Hopetree 'I Belong' A Mentoring Project for Vulnerable Youth in Playford Grant	19,000.00

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Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Cirkidz Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—My Place, Signed Circus Space Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Cityreach Marion Incorporated	Solar Panel Installation Grant	21,824.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Clare Valley New Life Church Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—The Hill Women's Shed Grant	7,859.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Clare Valley New Life Church Ltd	The Hill Women's Shed Grant	22,091.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Cleve & Districts Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Shed Partition/Wall Insulation Project Grant	21,406.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Coffin Bay Progress Association	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor—Hall to Hub Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Colours of Orroroo Arts Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—New Pottery Kiln for Colours of Orroroo Arts Hub Grant	14,376.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Colours of Orroroo Arts Incorporated	Improving Hub Accessibility Grant	10,160.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Community Care and Transport Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Facility Upgrade Project Grant	20,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Community Centres SA Incorporated	Service Excellence Support Initiative Grant	45,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Community Health Onkaparinga Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Cooking and Connecting Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Community Help and Togetherness Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—IT and Volunteer Training for CHATS Grant	3,370.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Community House Port Lincoln Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Digital Connections Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Community House Port Lincoln Inc	Help is on the Way Grant	50,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Connecting Foster and Kinship Carers—SA Inc	Meeting Social Responsibilities: Creating a Reconciliation Action Plan and Maintaining Quality Accreditation for SA's Peak Body for Foster and Kinship Carers Grant	49,183.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Coonalpyn Community Hub Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—More Than Just a Mosaic/Leadlighting Group Grant	6,428.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Coonalpyn Community Hub Incorporated	Improved and Inclusive Entry Grant	24,485.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Co-Opera Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—What's the Story? Grant	25,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Copley & Districts Progress Association Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Community Hall BBQ Grant	7,748.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Copley & Districts Progress Association Inc	Raised Garden Beds at Copley Community Garden Grant	30,422.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Crystal Brook Community Men's Shed	Community Sheds: Three Phase Power Connection Grant	10,164.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Crystal Brook Golf Club Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Crystal Brook Golf Club Furniture Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Cummins & District Enterprise Committee	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Christmas Wonderland: Platform for Success Grant	5,700.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Cummins and District Enterprise Committee	Community Sheds: Tools Upgrade Grant	4,460.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	D Faces of Youth Arts Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Good Nights Grant	10,798.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Disability Advocacy And Complaints Service Of South Australia Incorporated	IT Governance and Infrastructure Grant	49,664.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Disability Rights Advocacy Service Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Provision of Tele-Advocacy Services Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	District Council of Coober Pedy	Community Sheds: Coober Pedy Community Garden Grant	3,133.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	District Council of Karoonda East Murray	Community Sheds: Karoonda Men's Shed Stage 1 Shed Construction	25,000.00

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Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Dunjiba Community Council Inc	Governance Improvements Dunjiba Community Council Grant	44,663.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	ECH Incorporated	(Cancelled) Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Created Care Networks Grant	25,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Edwardstown Baptist Church Incorporated	Community Sheds: Grumpies Bloke's Shed Expanding Grant	22,686.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Elizabeth Church of Christ Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Cafe Hope Verandah Upgrade Grant	9,841.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Employment Options Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Garden Squad Grant	20,684.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Employment Options Inc	Youth Options: A Quality Sustainable Future Grant	46,905.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Encounter Centre Inc	IT Equipment Upgrade Grant	23,864.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Encounter Youth Incorporated	STARService & Volunteer Training Grant	48,387.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Ernabella Arts Incorporated	Strong Voices in APY Art Centres Grant	38,200.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Eudunda and District Agricultural and Horticultural Society Incorporated	Show Hall Kitchen Upgrade Grant	20,602.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Fiji Senior Citizens Association of South Australia Incorporated	STARservice Revision and Amendments Grant	4,946.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Flaxley Memorial Hall, 1939-1945 Incorporated	Kitchen Upgrade Grant	45,703.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Friends of the Barossa Bushgardens Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Inclusive and Accessible 'Food for the Soul' Community Garden Grant	7,033.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Glass Jar Australia Limited	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Art with the Stars Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Goolwa Community Centre Incorporated	Goolwa Community Centre Accreditation Project Grant	27,491.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Grandparents for grandchildren SA inc A38726	Grandparents for Grandchildren SA Australian Service Excellence Standards Accreditation Project Grant	37,830.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Healthy Cities Onkaparinga	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Planning Ahead: Advance Care Planning Community Activities and Death Cafes Grant	8,097.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Heart and Soul Community Group Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Far North Deliveries & Electrical Pallet Jack Grant	20,843.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Heart and Soul Community Group Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Electric Pallet Jack Grant	9,499.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Hills Community Options Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Respite Facility Upgrade Grant	2,444.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Hope Foundation International Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Women's & Families Wellbeing Training Grant	3,260.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Hope Foundation International Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Aerosol Skateboard Workshop Grant	4,311.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Italian Home Delivered Meals and Services Incorporated	Client Dietary Requirements Grant	18,040.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Iwiri Aboriginal Corporation	Strengthening Governance Capacity and Creating Safe Community Spaces Grant	50,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Kadina Agricultural Horticultural & Floricultural Society Inc	Community Sheds: Electrical Upgrades to Sheds Used by Copper Coast Woodworkers on the Kadina Showgrounds Grant	4,273.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Kadina Agricultural, Horticultural & Floricultural Society Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Install Air conditioning in its Show Dining Room Grant	9,043.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Kindred Australia Ltd	Child and Youth Arts and Culture Workshop	15,000.00

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Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Kura Yerlo Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Yangadlitya Pintyanthi (Creating for the Future) Grant	24,238.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Kura Yerlo Incorporated	Supporting Development of an ACCO—Creating a place for our People Grant	50,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Lifeline South East (SA) Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—IT Equipment Project for Crisis Support Counsellors/Volunteers Grant	9,091.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Living Water Community Church Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—The Hub Kitchen Grant	9,911.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Living Water Community Church Inc	The Ablution Solution—Building an Inclusive Community at The Hub Grant	38,558.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Lolly Jar Circus Inc	Lolly Jar Circus—the Next Decade Grant	38,537.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Long Plains Soldiers Memorial Hall Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Access for Everyone Grant	8,840.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Lower Eyre Peninsula Community Child Care Services	Cultural Competency—Belonging—Building—Creating Grant	7,397.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Lower Eyre Peninsula Community Child Care Services	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Ability Area Grant	7,647.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Macclesfield Community Association	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Accessible Path and Sensory Trail at Crystal Lake Park Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Macclesfield Men's Shed	Community Sheds: Macclesfield Men's Shed Extension Grant	17,192.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Magwi Development Agency Australia Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Developing Local Community Capacity Grant	23,618.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Magwi Development Agency Australia Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Equipment for Improving Services Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mallala & Districts Mens Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Metal Work Shop Project Grant	13,800.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mannum Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Kitchen Upgrade Grant	16,958.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mannum Men's Shed Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Wood Lathe Tools and Sharpeners Grant	2,378.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	MarionLife Community Services Incorporated	Advancing Good Governance at MarionLIFE Grant	28,271.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Marra Murrangga Kumangka Inc	Community Sheds: Creating Our Community Garden and Men's Shed Groups Grant	6,583.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Marra Murrangga Kumangka Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Engaging Regional Communities Grant	9,600.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Men's Shed Parafield Inc	Community Sheds: Men's Shed Parafield Grant	25,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mid Murray Suicide Prevention Network Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—From Policy to Grassroots Action: Mental Health First Aid in the Mid-Murray Grant	9,999.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Midway Road Community House Inc	Midway Sustainability Project Grant	34,973.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Milang & District Historical Society Incorporated	Community Sheds: Men's Shed Safety and Equipment Upgrade Grant	2,299.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mil-Lel Memorial Park Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Replacing Ceilings in Supper Room Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Morella Community Centre Incorporated	Successful Systems—Morella Community Centre Grant	45,918.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mount Barker Family House Inc	Brukung Community Voice, Connection and Sustainability Project Grant	18,384.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mount Barker Family House Inc	Community Sheds: Mount Barker Community Shed Transition Program Grant	13,264.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mount Barker Family House Inc.	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Ladies Shed Program Grant	19,537.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mount Gambier Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Providing more Space Grant	11,100.00

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mt McKenzie Hall	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Socially Inclusive Toilet/Wash Room Pod Grant	18,822.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Mundoora Community Sports Club Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Air Conditioning Upgrade Grant	7,264.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Murray Bridge Agricultural and Horticultural Society Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Modernise Existing Essential Infrastructure Grant	7,865.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Murray Bridge Community Centre Incorporated	Everything and the Kitchen Sink Grant	46,664.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Murray Bridge Community Centre Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Resourcing Edwards Square Community Centre Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Muslim Women's Association of South Australia	Building Resilience and Sustainable Governance Grant	24,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Muslim Women's Association of South Australia	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Friendly Spaces Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Narungga Aboriginal Progress Association Inc	Yarugarridja (To Gather Food) Grant	20,636.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Narungga Nation Aboriginal Corporation	Narungga Nation Aboriginal Corporation Governance and Financial Awareness Training Grant	45,435.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	North East Community Assistance Project	NECAP Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	North East Community House Incorporated	NECH Capacity Building Grant	7,581.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Northern Area Community and Youth Services Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Life Skills Program Technology Upgrade Grant	6,095.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Northern Area Community and Youth Services Inc	NACYS Community Garden Grant	5,287.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Novita Children's Services	Port Pirie Community Greening Grants (Round 2)—Dust Suppression and Greening Project	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Onkaparinga Dementia Friendly Alliance of South Australia	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—A Special Outing Grant	2,255.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Operation Flinders Foundation Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Exercise 3A/22 Grant	9,883.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Our Town Berri Incorporated	Our Town Support Grant—Berri	150,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Owen Community Centre Committee Incorporated	Community Sheds: Sanding Cabinet and Router Table with Built in Dust Extraction Suitable, for Seniors Grant	9,873.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Parndana Community Children's Centre Incorporated	Solar Installation at Parndana Community Children's Centre Grant	38,637.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Pathway Community Centre Incorporated	Pathway Energy Resilience Grant	33,358.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Peterborough Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: External Shelter Grant	7,797.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Playford Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Moving Forward with Change Grant	18,906.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Plaza Youth Centre Incorporated	Infrastructure Upgrade Grant	30,940.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Point Pearce Aboriginal Community Centre	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Strong Soul Living Grant	25,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Port Germein Progress Association	Community Sheds: Port Germein Men's Shed Revamp Grant	22,747.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Port Pirie Junior Soccer Association	Port Pirie Community Greening Grants (Round 2)—Junior Soccer Upgrade Grant	8,910.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Port Pirie & Districts Road Safety Group	Port Pirie Community Greening Grants (Round 2)—Port Pirie & Districts Road Safety Group Grant	10,000.00

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Port Pirie Amateur Anglers Association Incorporated	Port Pirie Community Greening (Lead Abatement Program) Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Port Pirie Harness Racing Club	Port Pirie Community Greening Grants (Round 2)—TLAP Greening 2023 PPHRC Grant	8,715.44
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Probus South Pacific Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Computer Equipment to Conduct Meetings Grant	1,300.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Puddle Jumpers Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Happy and Resilient Campers Grant	24,695.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Radio Italiana Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Italian Radio on the Road! Grant	9,815.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Reconciliation South Australia Inc	Aboriginal Veterans Governance Training Grant	2,500.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Reconciliation South Australia Inc	Governance Training Grant	2,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Reedbeds Community Centre Inc	Governance Overhaul Grant	25,811.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Regency Community Men's Shed	Community Sheds: Establishment of a Community Garden Grant	19,446.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Regency Community Men's Shed	Enhance and Improve the Regency Community Men's Shed Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Regency Community Men's Shed	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Additional Workshop Equipment Grant	9,628.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Riverland Youth Theatre	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor—Holiday Workshops: Home Turf Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Rosefield Community Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Enhanced Wood Working Safety and Digital Literacy in a Community Shed Grant	9,979.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Rotary Club of Mawson Lakes Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—New Beginnings: Home Starter Packs Grant	3,500.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Salisbury East Neighbourhood House Inc	Kitchen Appliance Upgrade Grant	6,487.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Sammy D Foundation Incorporated	Accessibility Improvements Grant	40,450.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	SASRAPID Inc	Building Accessibility Consulting Practice Grant	5,500.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Seacliff Community Recreation Association Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Acoustic Issues Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Seeds of Affinity Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor—Licence to Drive Grant	6,671.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Seniors Information Service Inc	Australian Service Excellence Standards Accreditation Project Grant	46,167.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Silent Ripples Incorporated	Our Town (Mental Health in the Community) Grant	150,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Soldier On Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Kitchen On with Soldier On Grant	9,900.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	South Australian Council of Social Service Incorporated	A Modern and Effective SACOSS Website Grant	50,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	South Australian Rainbow Advocacy Alliance	LGBTIQA+ Communities in Control – SARAA as an LGBTIQA+ community controlled peak body in South Australia Grant	50,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Southern Yorke Peninsula Agricultural Society Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Cleaning and Payment Equipment Grant	3,037.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Southern Yorke Peninsula Community Hub Incorporated	Towards Improved Governance at the SYP Community Hub Grant	9,500.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Southport Cricket Club	Port Pirie Community Greening Grants (Round 2)—Surface Dirt Area Next to Playground Grant	10,000.00



Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Strath Neighbourhood Centre Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—The Basics: Home Cooking Grant	7,133.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Surf Life Saving South Australia Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Ukrainian Community Healthy Settlement through Aquatics Program Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Tailem Bend Football Club Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—TBFC Club Room Air Conditioning Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Tauondi Incorporated	Improving Tauondi's service delivery quality with the ASES accreditation and Providing a Communal Space for increased Social Connections and Community Engagement Grant	48,266.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Tea Tree Gully Craft Workshop	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Building Opportunities for Wellbeing Through Pottery Grant	8,980.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Adelaide Day Centre for Homeless Persons Incorporated	Adelaide Day Centre Facility Upgrade Project Grant	23,687.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Charles Sturt Memorial Museum Trust Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—New Fridge for Volunteers Grant	2,660.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Food Centre Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Creating Community with Coffee, Cake and Chat 3C's Grant	7,540.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The GOGO Foundation Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—IWP Plus Grant	9,500.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Gold Foundation Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Discovery Program for Girls Grant	20,225.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Ileostomy Association of South Australia Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Ostomy Support Group (OSG) Expansion Grant	6,100.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Junction Community Centre Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—LGBTIQA+ 'Lived Experiences' Grant	5,800.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Kapunda Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Shed Amenities Upgrade and Office Relocation Grant	16,942.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Naracoorte District Mens Shed Incorporated	Solar Battery Grant	18,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Penola Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Shed Safety Improvements Grant	16,023.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Port Germein Village Project Association Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—The Village Complex Revival Stage 1 Grant	8,227.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Queer Society Incorporated	Queer Society Development Project Grant	19,408.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Reily Foundation Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Education Empowers Change Grant	24,900.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The South Australian Country Women's Association Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—SACWA Limestone Ladies and Naracoorte Combined Kitchen Upgrade Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The South Australian Country Women's Association Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Seating Upgrade Grant	5,100.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Tatiara Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Improvements to Shed Grant	20,258.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA)	Community Sheds: Cover Between 2 Sheds Grant	9,555.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA)	Community Sheds: Purchase of a Storage Container Grant	4,845.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA)	Community Sheds: The BUC Bike Workshop Extras Grant	16,821.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA)	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—NOBLELIFT Manual Walkie Stacker Lifter Grant	2,500.00

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title/Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA)	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Seacliff Uniting Church Community Garden Grant	7,878.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA)	Installation of a Coolroom Grant	15,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (SA)	Upgrade of Minlaton Uniting Church Kitchen Grant	40,923.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Village Co. SA Limited	Australian Service Excellence Standards Accreditation Grant	44,690.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The William Kibby VC Veterans Shed Association Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Dust Extraction System Grant	3,271.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Woodchester Tennis Club Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Woodchester Tennis Club Inc Pergola Upgrade Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	The Yankalilla and Districts Community Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: I2R A SERIES CNC A24 Machine Acquisition Grant	18,939.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Treasure Boxes Incorporated	IT Process and Systems Upgrade Grant	46,080.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	UCare Gawler Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Family Community Connections Officer Grant	9,880.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Uniting Communities Incorporated	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—LGBTIQA+ CALD Community Connections Grant	21,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—MusoMagic 2022 in Port Pirie Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	UnitingSA Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Chat n Chew Grant	10,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Victim Support Services Incorporated	Building Safer Spaces in SA for LGBTIQA+ Communities Grant	45,362.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Vietnamese Womens Association SA Inc	Quality and Beyond Grant	48,057.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Waddikee Community Sports Club Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Airconditioning Grant	9,460.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Welcoming Australia Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Welcoming Careers Grant	24,997.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Whitelion Youth Agency Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—First Job—Access Through Technology Grant	14,967.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Whitelion Youth Agency Ltd	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Engine Room Learning Program Grant	9,888.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Whyalla FM Public Broadcasting Assoc Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Triple Y Shed Project Stage 1 Grant	4,840.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Whyalla Men's Shed	Community Sheds: Laser Lighting a Brighter Future Grant	4,723.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Whyalla Men's Shed	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Old Blokes Cooking for their Lives Grant	2,925.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Woodville West Community Garden Incorporated	Community Sheds: Gathering Space at the Woodville West Community Garden Grant	5,721.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Wudinna Districts Men's Shed Incorporated	Community Sheds: Wudinna Men's Shed Upgrade Grant	25,000.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Yarredi Services Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Medium—Pathways to Empowerment Grant	19,770.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Yarredi Services Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Children's Wellbeing Program: Facility Upgrade Grant	9,092.00
Charitable and Social Welfare Fund	Yongala & District Hall Committee Inc	Grants SA 2021-22 Minor (Round 2)—Local Hall New Seating Grant	6,765.00

Grant Program	Beneficiary	Contract Title / Purpose	Total Contract Value (GST ex) \$
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund			
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Aboriginal Family Support Services Limited	Berri and Barmera Aboriginal Gambling Help Service	232,806.15
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Aboriginal Family Support Services Limited	Murray Bridge Aboriginal Gambling Help Service	232,806.15
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Aboriginal Family Support Services Limited	Port Augusta Aboriginal Gambling Help Service	232,806.15
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Aboriginal Family Support Services Limited	Port Lincoln Aboriginal Gambling Help Service	228,507.08
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Adelaide Basketball Pty Ltd	Here for the Game – Additional Partners Grant	114,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Adelaide Football Club Ltd	Here for the Game Partnership – Adelaide Football Club Grant	700,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Adelaide Giants Baseball Pty Ltd	Here for the Game – Additional Partners Grant	30,756.25
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Adelaide United Football Club Pty Ltd	Adelaide United FC Raise Community Awareness of Gambling Harm Grant	151,320.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Flinders University	North and West Metropolitan Aboriginal Gambling Help Service	399,028.28
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Flinders University	Southern Metropolitan Aboriginal Gambling Help Service	371,536.88
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Lifeline South East (SA) Incorporated	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Limestone Coast	1,800,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Offenders Aid and Rehabilitation Services of SA Incorporated	Criminal Justice Targeted Gambling Help Service	768,906.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Overseas Chinese Association of SA Inc	Chinese Targeted Gambling Help Services	692,016.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia (Qld) Limited	SA Gambling Helpline	2,170,856.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Lived Experience in Gambling Harm Program	1,676,132.61
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Adelaide Hills	720,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Barossa, Light and Lower North	720,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Eastern Adelaide	2,565,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Fleurieu & Kangaroo Island	1,080,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Murray and Mallee	1,755,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Northern Adelaide	4,320,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Southern Adelaide	3,150,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Western Adelaide	3,510,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Relationships Australia South Australia Limited	Multicultural Gambling Help Service (Interim)	383,983.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Eyre & Western	1,620,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Far North	1,305,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Uniting Country SA Ltd	Metropolitan and Country Gambling Help Services—Yorke & Mid North	1,755,000.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Vietnamese Community in Australia/ South Australia Chapter Incorporated	Vietnamese Targeted Gambling Help Service	692,016.00
Gamblers Rehabilitation Fund	Yadu Health Aboriginal Corporation	Ceduna Aboriginal Gambling Help Service	232,806.15

Note—The table above incorporates grant funding and not for profit funded services agreements, but excludes fee for service contracts. The total contract value represents total amounts across the total contract term, which in some cases extends across years prior to 2023-24 and years beyond 2025-26. The values do not include any indexation amounts that may be payable under the contract.

#### REMOTE WORK

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the Department of Human Services:

There is no specific budget allocated for the management of remote work infrastructure.

#### EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

Since 1 July 2022, the following executive appointments were made.

Role Title	Classification
Executive Director, People and Strategy	Exec Level C
Executive Director, Customers and Services	Exec Level C
Executive Director, Property Services	Exec Level C
Director, People, Culture and Resilience	Exec Level B
Director, Partnerships and Market Solutions	Exec Level B

The total annual employment cost for these appointments is \$1,130,408 (excluding on costs).

Individual executive total remuneration package values (TRPV) as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

Since 1 July 2022, there was one executive position abolished.

Role Title	Classification
Executive Director, Strategy and Governance	SAES1

At the time of the above position being abolished there was no incumbent attached to the position.

The total employment cost of abolishing this position was the bandwidth of the SAES1 classification level (\$173,868—\$267,489)

Individual executive total remuneration package values (TRPV) as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE POSITIONS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

There has been nil executive position terminations within the SA Housing Authority since 1 July 2022.

#### CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

As required by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet Circular PC013—Annual Reporting Requirements for 2022-23 information relating to expenditure on consultants and contractors including the vendor, total cost and nature of work undertaken, will be detailed in annual reports published by agencies.

**CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS**

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

Consultants and contractors will be engaged as required and approved in accordance with the Authority's procurement framework. The current estimated cost for engagement of consultants and contractors in 2023-24 is \$1.317 million.

The following information is provided in relation to consultants and contractors already engaged/planned at a total estimated cost above \$10,000 by the SA Housing Authority:

Name	Method of Appointment	Reason for Engagement	Estimated Total Cost (incl. GST)	Estimated 2023-24 Cost (incl. GST)
Deloitte Advisory Pty Limited	Request for Quote	Engagement to undertake Transitional Accommodation Supply and Demand Assessment for Aboriginal Housing Strategy.	\$83,918	\$83,918
Synergy IQ	Waiver	Development of a leadership development framework for Executive team within SAHA.	\$133,100	\$50,000
MinterEllison	Request for Quote	To determine the GST recovery percentage on overhead acquisitions that reflects the nature of current business practices. This project will deliver a methodology which will allow SAHA to review and calculate its overhead GST recovery percentage annual in house.	\$110,728	\$110,728
Deloitte Consulting Pty Ltd	Request for Quote	The SA Housing Authority is in the process of strengthening its strategic capability and capacity to better respond to the needs of vulnerable South Australians now and into the future. As a starting point, a Strategic Roadmap has been developed to understand the key elements that would need to be refreshed, reviewed and/or developed.	\$44,000	\$44,000
Deloitte Financial Advisory Pty Limited	Request for Quote	The SA Housing Authority have recently procured new contracts for the delivery of property maintenance services, during a period of unprecedented increase in input costs. This is placing increased pressure on the limited budgets for property maintenance and therefore requires engaging a specialist financial organisation with modelling and analysis skills with a particular focus and expertise on residential property portfolio maintenance.	Not to exceed \$220,000	Not to exceed \$220,000
TBA	Request for Quote	Testing the Cultural Competencies of 100 staff, with generation of cultural competency profile reports and statistical analysis of the Cultural Competencies of staff across the agency.	\$36,300	\$36,300
Transforming Solutions (Aust) Pty Ltd	Request for Quote	The SA Housing Authority (the Authority) is seeking to clearly and with as much detail as possible understand the customers of the Authority and the services the Authority provide to them together with building on the previous work completed in the Housing Officer Review. This work will include the development of a proposed 'surge workforce' approach to delivering the Authority's services in time of greatest need. This will include: Understanding of the current workforce, deployment, organisational structure and capacity; Understanding of the FTE budget to ensure any changes fit into the current budget envelope; and Development of the framework and team structure and policies and procedures on 'ways of working'.	\$36,960	\$36,960
Infrastructure SA	Request for Quote	To undertake an independent review of the Affordable Housing and Market Solutions function and provide a report with suggestions on how impact can be enhanced and performance can be improved.	\$15,000	\$15,000

Name	Method of Appointment	Reason for Engagement	Estimated Total Cost (incl. GST)	Estimated 2023-24 Cost (incl. GST)
Business and Risk Solutions Pty Ltd	Request for Quote	SA Housing Authority (SAHA) requires assistance with a mobilisation plan for the 'Collaborative Contracting Principles Project'.	\$45,000	\$45,000

#### GOODS AND SERVICES

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

The budgeted expenditure on goods and services for the financial year 2023-24 and each of the years of the forward estimates period is as follows:

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Total goods and services	249,710	250,596	251,952	227,469

#### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

Table 1 shows the total budgeted FTE to provide communication and promotion activities for 2023-24 and the forward estimates:

Table 1: FTE employed in communication and promotion activities

Unit/Branch		2023-24 Budget	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Budget
People and Strategy/Communications and Engagement	FTE	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5
	\$m	\$0.860	\$0.878	\$0.894	\$0.911

#### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

As an open and transparent government, marketing communications activity reports and annual media expenditure details are proactively disclosed. The reports list all marketing campaigns over the cost of \$50,000 and budgeted expenditure for approved campaigns and are disclosed on the DPC website: <https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/about-the-department/accountability/government-marketing-advertising-expenditure>.

#### GRANT PROGRAMS

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Controlled:

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
SA Housing Authority				
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement (NHHA)—Specialist Homelessness Services	To provide grant funding to Specialist Homelessness Service Providers.	79,592	75,748	76,494

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
<b>SA Housing Authority</b>				
Emergency Accommodation Assistance	To provide financial assistance into budget hotels or motels for people who need emergency accommodation, often as a result of domestic abuse.	4,465	4,577	4,691
National Rental Affordability Scheme (NRAS)	To provide an annual financial incentive to housing providers for up to ten years if eligibility requirements continue to be met.	3,828	1,321	179
Private Rental Assistance Program (PRAP)	To provide financial assistance to households experiencing difficulty establishing a tenancy in the private rental market.	11,649	11,940	12,239
National Partnership on Remote Housing (NPRH)	To contribute to addressing housing need, building more sustainable remote housing management systems; increasing Indigenous employment, workforce participation and education opportunities, housing options and home ownership; and supporting the outcomes of the National Housing and Homelessness Agreement and National Indigenous Reform Agreement.	3,855	0	0
Homelessness Prevention Fund	Piloting homelessness prevention initiatives and new innovative housing models.	795	0	0
Aboriginal Elder Village	A one-off capital grant to Community Housing Limited, to fund additional housing for Aboriginal Elders at risk of homelessness.	4,000	0	0
Homelessness Support (2022 Election Commitment)	Additional homelessness support, including grants to Catherine House, St Vincent de Paul, and the Hutt Street Centre.	2,709	2,772	2,845
Build to Rent	One off contribution of \$5.8 million to a CHP to deliver a Build to Rent project on SA Housing Authority land at Eastwood (Park Court).	5,800	0	0
Aspire Program	To provide funding to the Hutt Street Centre to continue the Aspire program.	463	626	684
Other Grants & Subsidies	Minor grant payments.	572	433	332

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, or any commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/ Recipient	2023-24 (\$)	2024-25 (\$)	2025-26 (\$)
<b>SA Housing Authority</b>				
Homelessness Support (Election Commitment)	Hutt Street Centre	764,318	1,213,920	1,126,700
Homelessness Support (Election Commitment)	Catherine House	594,090	608,940	624,170
Homelessness Support (Election Commitment)	St Vincent de Paul	512,500	525,300	538,400
Homelessness Prevention Fund	Kids Under Cover	795,450	0	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Women's Safety Services SA Incorporated	15,972,459	15,974,960	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Catholic Family Services	141,622	0	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Centacare Catholic Country SA Limited	23,603	0	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Yarredi Services Incorporated	35,405	0	0

Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/ Recipient	2023-24 (\$)	2024-25 (\$)	2025-26 (\$)
<b>SA Housing Authority</b>				
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Community Transitions	118,191	0	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Australian Alliance to End Homelessness	138,400	138,400	23,200
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Anglican Community Care Inc	3,279,860	3,318,860	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Anglicare SA Ltd	2,394,400	2,422,900	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Catholic Family Services	2,286,390	2,313,590	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Community Housing Council of SA	400,000	404,700	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Department for Correctional Services	105,380	106,680	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Housing Choices South Australia Limited	749,510	758,410	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Lutheran Care	16,176,290	16,368,790	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	NPY Women's Council	586,430	593,430	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Offenders Aid and Rehabilitation Services of SA Inc	2,417,980	2,446,680	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Relationships Australia SA Health Promotion Services	1,465,510	1,482,910	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	SYC Ltd	1,574,640	1,593,440	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	The Corporation of the City of Adelaide	44,140	44,640	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Uniting Communities Incorporated	6,078,270	6,150,570	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Uniting Country SA Ltd	6,433,080	6,509,680	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Uniting SA Ltd	12,866,665	12,958,993	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Unity Housing Company Ltd	479,520	485,220	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Australian Housing and Urban Research Institute	135,784	0	0
National Housing & Homelessness Agreement—Specialist Homelessness Services	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare	287,700	291,200	0
National Partnership on Remote Housing (NPRH)—Tika Tirka	Aboriginal Community Housing Ltd	416,100	0	0



Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/ Recipient	2023-24 (\$)	2024-25 (\$)	2025-26 (\$)
SA Housing Authority				
National Partnership on Remote Housing (NPRH)—Support and Advocacy Services for EEH Tenants	Aboriginal Community Housing Ltd	90,909	0	0
Housing for Health Program (Holbrooks)	Uniting Communities Incorporated	164,000	0	0
Housing for Health Program (Holbrooks)	Central Adelaide Local Health Network—Integrated Care Services	35,711	0	0
Aspire Extension	Hutt Street Centre	340,800	0	0

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Administered:

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
SA Housing Authority				
Social Impact Bond (Aspire Adelaide)	Payment of financial return provided by government on social impact bond with Aspire Adelaide.	1,722	0	0

There are no commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

#### REMOTE WORK

In reply to **Mr McBRIDE (MacKillop)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** I have been advised that for the SA Housing Authority:

The budgeted expenditure for remote work infrastructure for the financial year 2023-24, and actual expenditure for previous years 2021-22 and 2022-23 is as follows:

	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Expenditure on remote work infrastructure	\$186	\$116	\$118

#### COMMUNITY VISITOR SCHEME

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** As of 29 June 2023 (the date of Estimates) the Community Visitors Scheme had 35 appointed community visitors.

#### OPERATIONAL EFFICIENCIES

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** The Department of Human Services has advised:

No aspects of the department were quarantined from TVSPs and there were no areas specifically targeted. An email was sent to all ongoing DHS staff inviting them to apply and be considered for a TVSP funded by Department of Treasury and Finance in 2022-23 financial year.

#### HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT FLEET

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** The amounts budgeted for fleet in the agency statements correspond to forecast replacement of existing leased vehicles that have reached the end of their lease term. Based on current average leasing rates, the 2023-24 budgeted amount for fleet leases of \$1.722 million represents the forecast replacement of 82 existing vehicles with new leased vehicles.

**HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT STAFF**

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):**

Appt Type	Head Count	%
Casual	545	15.6%
Ongoing	2398	68.9%
Term Contract	541	15.5%
Total	3484	

\*\*Workforce numbers includes active and inactive (long term leave) employees

**CLOSING THE GAP ANNUAL REPORT**

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (29 June 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. N.F. COOK (Hurtle Vale—Minister for Human Services):** The statement relates to data that does not appear in the budget papers. It refers to data published by the Australian Productivity Commission in relation to the rate of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in detention. The budget papers reflect the number of admissions to Kurlana Tapa, not the rate.

This measure is defined as the average daily number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people aged 10-17 in youth detention, out of the overall population of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 10-17, presented as a rate per 10,000 for each state and territory.

The latest data published by the Australian Productivity Commission in July 2023, continues to show that South Australia is on track to exceed Closing the Gap target 11, with the rate of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people in detention reducing from 27.4 per 10,000 in 2018-19 to 18.1 per 10,000 in 2021-22, representing a 34 per cent reduction.

While this is a positive achievement, reducing the overrepresentation of Aboriginal children and young people in the youth justice system and achieving Closing the Gap outcomes continues to be a primary focus.

**REMOTE WORK**

In reply to **Mr PEDERICK (Hammond)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

SAFECOM:

SAFECOM transitioned all staff back to the physical workplace from 7 March 2022.

Following this, SAFECOM has implemented a process whereby all employees can apply for working from home arrangements on an ad hoc or regular basis, with applications to be considered by delegates according to the requirements contained in the Commissioners Determination 8.

MFS:

On-shift operational personnel were not afforded work from home arrangements due to the nature of their role.

All other MFS staff transitioned back to the physical workplace from 7 March 2022.

The MFS is committed to negotiating with personnel on an individual basis whereby all employees can apply for working from home arrangements on an ad hoc or regular basis, with applications to be considered by delegates according to the requirements contained in the Commissioners Determination 8.

CFS:

As with all government agencies, the CFS requires assessment and approval for ongoing working from home (WFH) arrangements.

The CFS has no staff approved for ongoing WFH arrangements. If any arrangements are to exist in the future, they will be regularly reviewed in accordance with the Commissioners Determination 8.

In the interests of staff wellbeing and balancing work/life arrangements the CFS supports staff in ad hoc arrangements to WFH, these single time arrangements are made within the relevant local business unit on a case-by-case basis considering operational demand.

SES:

SES has all staff working from their office as per pre-COVID-19 arrangements. On a case-by-case basis a small number of staff work from home on an ad hoc basis.

**COUNTRY FIRE SERVICE, KANGAROO ISLAND**

In reply to **Mr PEDERICK (Hammond)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

Due to the evolving scope, complex nature and extent of the allegations made by various complainants it was necessary for the CFS to contract major aspects of the investigation to external providers. This decision was driven by a range of factors including resources, time, achieving independent and transparent advice and accessing the required expertise.

The time and the cost of CFS staff attributed to coordinating the investigation, was not recorded as it was undertaken within a 'business as usual' approach by those engaged to assist in the inquiry.

Consequently, the cost of engaging external contractors on the Kangaroo Island investigation (termed in the question as the Mr and Mrs May investigation) is \$103,789, comprising an initial assessment, two phases of a forensic accounting investigation with a supplementary report and advice from the Crown Solicitor's Office.

**MOUNT BARKER STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE**

In reply to **the Hon. D.R. CREGAN (Kavel)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

Mount Barker SES unit has responded to 414 call-outs in the 2021/2022 financial year and 476 call-outs in the 2022-23 financial year. This places Mount Barker as the ninth busiest SES unit in terms of requests for assistance over this two-year period.

No additional resources are planned for the unit currently. SES confirms planned replacement of the unit's existing fleet is scheduled in accordance with the agency's vehicle replacement cycle, beginning in the 2025-26 financial year.

**COUNTRY FIRE SERVICE**

In reply to **Mr ELLIS (Narungga)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

Maitland:

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport placed the project on hold early in 2023 and directed both CFS and SES to redo their business continuity plans to cover, and have more consideration, regarding post disaster serviceability (AS 1170.4). The sector, under SAFECOM's lead, has gone to tender for a consultant to do the BCPs. This should be completed in the next few months after which the design and subsequent delivery process can recommence.

Yorke town:

No upgrades are currently planned for the Yorke town station.

**ROAD FATALITIES**

In reply to **the Hon. V.A. TARZIA (Hartley)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

The Department for Infrastructure and Transport (the Department) in conjunction with South Australia Police has been actively monitoring this year's road safety statistics and the underlying causes.

Tragically, road user behaviour has been identified as a factor by South Australia Police in many of these crashes.

South Australia's Road Safety Action Plan 2023-25 (the action plan) sets out the South Australian government's actions to achieve its 10-year targets to reduce lives lost by 50 per cent and serious injuries by 30 per cent in line with South Australia's Road Safety Strategy to 2031 and the National Road Safety Action Plan 2023-25.

The action plan includes specific actions for motorcyclist safety, pedestrian and cycling safety, as well as actions to address road user behaviour including distraction, speed and drink and drug driving. Regional roads are also a focus with area planning and network safety planning to identified priority locations for road safety infrastructure treatments.

Road safety campaigns are employed by the state government to increase awareness and educate the community about dangers of our roads and improving road user behaviours. The new motorcycle road safety campaign, 'Back Off', launched in May 2023, intends to reduce the number of motorcyclists who lose their lives on our roads. Other important campaigns include 'Don't Stop Driving by Accident' developed to target the at risk senior driver demographic (people aged 70 and older). While the award winning 'Selfish Prick' campaign leverages the social implication of drink driving which remains a significant issue for road safety.

#### CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

The key objectives of Work Ready Release Ready (WRRR) at its inception were to:

- Support participants to build job skills pre-release through education, vocational training and employment readiness training.
- Help participants to gain financial security, purpose and social connections as a result of returning to work and mitigate against the likelihood of breaches of community-based orders.
- Assist participants to find and maintain employment post release.

To February 2023, WRRR has recorded 787 individual participants having engaged in the employment phase. Four hundred and twenty-five of those have gained employment, which is 54 per cent of the participants who have engaged in the employment phase so far.

Specific metrics for the WRRR program were not set at its inception.

#### CORRECTIONAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

1. As at 30 June 2023, there were 84.8 FTE on parental leave.
2. As at 30 June 2023, there were 264.7 FTE on medical leave.

#### OPERATION PARAGON

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

Operation Paragon recommenced in November 2022.

#### POLICE MOUNTED OPERATIONS

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

1. South Australia Police was advised prior to the Premier's announcement on 8 July 2023.
2. There are no identified heritage aspects to the proposed staging point site itself, however it will be subject to a heritage adjacency planning overlay due to nearby heritage buildings.
3. The below table shows responses to all planned, unplanned and emergency incidents.

	2023 (Calendar year to date)	2022	2021	2020	2019
Planned activity within Eastern District	190	329	266	150	212
Planned activity outside Eastern District (rest of the state)	60	68	63	31	95
<b>Total Planned</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>181</b>	<b>307</b>
Unplanned (emergency) activity within Eastern District	16	9	9	6	5
Unplanned (emergency) activity outside Eastern District (rest of the state)	9	10	13	4	10
<b>Total Unplanned</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>

**ROAD SAFETY**

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

Road safety policing is continuously carried out by all police active on South Australian roads, whether travelling for other duties, on general patrols or specifically focussed on road safety related policing.

Traffic Services Branch has an establishment of 361 FTE and Media Road Safety Unit has a FTE of six. Both these units have a sole focus on road safety duties.

In addition, Community Engagement Branch perform split functions which includes a significant focus on road safety duties.

Other front line police resources from Metropolitan Operations Service, State Operations Service, Criminal Investigation Branch and a range of other operational areas also focus on road safety as part of their broader range of duties.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA POLICE**

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

The South Australia Police representative on the Safety and Wellbeing Taskforce is Assistant Commissioner Scott Duval, Metropolitan Operations Service.

**APY LANDS POLICE ACCOMMODATION**

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

Practical completion for the Fregon Police Post is estimated in May 2024 and the Pipalyatjara Police Post in June 2024. Practical completion for the Indulkana Police Post is currently anticipated in July 2024.

Following practical completion South Australia Police will undertake six to eight weeks of commissioning at each site, which is expected to be finalised by September 2024, subject to any builder and/or commissioning delays.

**POLICE NUMBERS**

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

1. As at 30 June 2023, there were 30 Community Constable FTE (26 active and four inactive).
2. The following table represents the active FTE at 28 June 2023:

Employee Group	Active FTE
Police	4443.84
Community Constable	26.00
Cadet	122.00
Sub-Total	4591.84
Police Security Officers	265.19
Total unsworn	1063.06
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5920.09</b>

**POLICE NUMBERS**

In reply to **Mr TELFER (Flinders)** (3 July 2023). (Estimates Committee B)

**The Hon. J.K. SZAKACS (Cheltenham—Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services):** I have been advised:

1. The attrition rate for police officers in the 2022-23 financial year was 5.4 per cent. Attrition rates for the five previous financial years are:

- 2017-18 – 3.4 per cent
- 2018-19 – 2.7 per cent
- 2019-20 – 2.7 per cent
- 2020-21 – 3.6 per cent
- 2021-22 – 4.1 per cent.

2. The attrition rate for police security officers in the 2022-23 financial year was 27.9 per cent. This includes 8.7 per cent of the police security officer workforce who transitioned to the Police Cadet Program and remained with SAPOL's total staffing compliment.

#### FELMERI GROUP

In reply to **Mr TEAGUE (Heysen)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

Felmeri Builders & Developers Pty Ltd (trading as Felmeri Homes) has been a licensed building work contractor since 31 August 2007.

CBS initiated an investigation into Felmeri's business position and conduct to ensure that it meets all of its consumer protection obligations.

CBS is investigating potential breaches of the Australian Consumer Law and the Building Work Contractors Act 1995.

On 17 May 2023, CBS imposed a condition on Felmeri's building work contractor's licence (the licence) to prevent it entering into new contracts and to provide reports on its progress with current projects.

Felmeri Homes entered administration on 19 May 2023, ceased trading on 25 May 2023 and entered liquidation on 17 July 2023. Felmeri Homes' licence will be surrendered as a result of the liquidation.

Now that the company has entered liquidation, both directors will be ineligible to hold a building work contractor's licence or to be the director of a licensed building company for five years.

Despite the liquidation, the investigation will continue with the end date of the investigation currently unknown.

#### GOVERNMENT FUNDING

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

This work has commenced and will be implemented in due course.

#### STATE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

In response to your question on procurement, please refer to the department's response to omnibus question 18.

#### WOMEN IN BUSINESS

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

To register for the Women in Business Foundations Program, a person needs to:

- Identify as a woman.
- Own a small business in South Australia with a current registered ABN and employ less than 20 people. This includes sole traders, partnerships, proprietary limited companies and trusts.

**WOMEN IN BUSINESS**

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

The Office for Small and Family business has subsidised the Women in Business Advisory Program 'Behind closed Doors' to provide a series of scholarships that help women business owners. Eligible participants pay a contribution to access the program.

**EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS**

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department:

Since 1 July 2022, the following executive appointments have been made.

Role Title	Classification
Director Customer Service and Business Transformation	SAES1

This was a new appointment to an existing vacant position.

Individual executive total remuneration package values (TRPV) as detailed in schedule 2 of an executive employee's contract will not be disclosed as it is deemed to be unreasonable disclosure of personal affairs.

**EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department:

Since 1 July 2022, there have been no executive positions abolished.

**EXECUTIVE POSITIONS**

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department:

Since 1 July 2022, there have been no termination payments made.

**CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS**

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department:

As required by the Department of the Premier and Cabinet Circular PC013—Annual Reporting Requirements for 2022-23, information relating to expenditure on consultants and contractors including the vendor, total cost and nature of work undertaken, will be detailed in annual reports published by agencies.

**CONSULTANTS AND CONTRACTORS**

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department:

Expenditure on consultants and contractors in 2023-24 is expected to be approximately \$75,000 (excluding temporary labour hire costs).

Engagements over \$10,000 are listed below:

Consultancies	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
John Dunnery	OneCBS project governance and procurement assistance.	\$30,000

Consultancies	Purpose	Total Estimated Cost
Susan Bates	Leadership coaching and facilitated sessions/workshops.	\$15,000
Peoplebank	Senior Business Analyst working on the OneCBS project.	\$30,000
Temporary labour hire agencies (various)	Short-term engagements to assist with managing vacancies and turnover in the workforce.	TBC

### GOODS AND SERVICES

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department:

The budgeted expenditure on goods and services for the financial year 2023-24 and each of the years of the forward estimates period is as follows:

	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Consumer and Business Services	5,592	4,202	3,603	3,626
Office of the Small Business Commissioner	689	707	724	741

Note that the 2023-24 and 2024-25 budgets include expenditure in relation to the OneCBS project.

### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised:

The Attorney-General's Department (AGD) Strategic Communications Unit undertakes communication and promotion activities for all AGD business units.

As the business units under my responsibility (Consumer and Business Services and the Office of the Small Business Commissioner) are within AGD, they receive support for communication and promotion activities from the AGD Strategic Communications Unit where needed.

Table 1 shows the total budgeted FTE to provide communication and promotion activities for the Strategic and Communications Unit of the Attorney-General's Department (including the Public Trustee) for 2023-24 and the forward estimates:

Table 1: FTE employed in communication and promotion activities

Unit/Branch		2023-24 Budget	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	2026-27 Budget
Attorney-General's Department	Est. FTE	9.25	9.25	9.25	9.25
	\$m	1.216	1.206	1.178	1.189

### GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department:

As an open and transparent government, marketing communications activity reports and annual media expenditure details are proactively disclosed. The reports list all marketing campaigns over the cost of \$50,000 and budgeted expenditure for approved campaigns and are disclosed on the DPC website: <https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/about-the-department/accountability/government-marketing-advertising-expenditure>.

### GRANT PROGRAMS

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised:

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Controlled:



Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
Consumer and Business Affairs				
Anglicare SA—Financial Counselling and Advocacy Service	Financial counselling and advocacy services for tenants with low financial literacy.	146	149	153

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, or any commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

Grant program/fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	Value \$
Consumer and Business Affairs			
Financial Counselling and Advocacy Service	Anglicare SA	Financial counselling and advocacy services to assist tenants with low financial literacy.	146

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Administered:

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
Consumer and Business Affairs				
Harm Minimisation Fund	For programs that support health and safety education and rehabilitation services.	226	205	210
Australian Institute of Conveyancers (SA) – Professional Development Program and Public Advisory Service	Provide an advice service and educate conveyancers or members of the public about conveyancing matters or issues.	387	397	407
Real Estate Institute of SA – Professional Development Program and Public Advisory Service	Provide an educational program and advisory service for the benefit of agents, sales representatives and members of the public.	495	507	520

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, or any commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	Value \$
Consumer and Business Affairs			
Harm Minimisation Fund	Encounter Youth Hindley Street Program	To support volunteers in patrolling the Hindley Street area offering a safe presence.	131
Australian Institute of Conveyancers (SA) – Professional Development Program and Public Advisory Service	Australian Institute of Conveyancers (SA)	Provide an advice service and educate conveyancers or members of the public about conveyancing matters or issues.	387
Real Estate Institute of SA – Professional Development Program and Public Advisory Service	Real Estate Institute of SA (REISA)	Provide an educational program and advisory service for the benefit of agents, sales representatives and members of the public.	495

#### REMOTE WORK

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for units under my responsibility within the Attorney-General's Department:

The percentage of the total AGD budget allocated specifically to the management of remote work infrastructure is estimated at less than 0.17, as it has been in previous years.

**GRANT PROGRAMS**

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised that for the Department for Industry, Innovation and Science:

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Controlled:

Payments into the program/fund are identified as a negative.

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
<b>Small and Family Business</b>				
Business longitudinal analysis data environment (BLADE) project	Contribution to the BLADE project being administered by DPC.	25	—	—
Centre for Business Growth	Support the creation of a new position, the Playford Professor of Business Growth, and provide continued support for outreach activities included in the centre's Growing South Australian Companies program.	320	275	—
Flood Recovery Grants	Provides up to \$50,000 to pay for costs of clean-up and reinstatement of small businesses and not-for-profit organisations that have experienced damage as a result of the River Murray flood event.	1,650	—	—
Small Business Strategy	The Small business strategy seeks to increase the skills, capability and capacity of small business owners, and support them to create jobs and build the economy.	1,500	1,437	1,267
Women in Business	The funding provides a suite of programs to South Australian female-owned businesses and boost our economy, creating jobs and supporting local entrepreneurs. Through the provision of upskilling, capability development and support, the Program will build resilience and strengthen innovative female-owned businesses in South Australia.	1,000	1,000	1,000
<b>Arts (Creative industries)</b>				
Adelaide Film Festival	Operational funding for Adelaide Film Festival (AFF), including support to the AFF Investment Fund.	2,133	2,140	2,149
Jam Factory	Operational Funding for the Jamfactory.	1,279	1,158	1,187
Music Development Office (MDO)	Facilitate the development of South Australia's music industry by supporting both creative and business development. Funding from the Community Development Fund as per the <i>Gaming Machines Act 1992</i> .	1,626	1,636	1,649
SA Film Corporation	Operational funding for the SA Film Corporation, including the screen production fund.	-850	-850	-850
SA Film Corporation – ABC Partnership	Operational funding for the SA Film Corporation, including the screen production fund.	5,021	5,125	5,179
SA Film Corporation – Post-production, Digital and Visual Effects (PDV) Rebate Scheme	Funding provided to the SA Film Corporation to support its three-year production partnership between with the ABC to create a pipeline of work in South Australia.	2,021	1,163	715
SA Film Corporation – Post-production, Digital and Visual Effects (PDV) Rebate Scheme	PDV Rebate Scheme to support the screen industry.	6,381	6,000	6,000

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, for any commitments relating to contracts (excluding MOAAs) executed on or before 30 June 2023 and funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer for contracts with a total value of \$200,000 and above. Grant commitment data is subject to change (pending the provision of commitment data to the Auditor-General on 11 August 2023).

Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/ Recipient	Purpose	Value \$
<b>Small and Family Business</b>			
Centre for Business Growth	University of South Australia	Refer purpose of grant program above.	595,000
Small Business Strategy	Australian Cyber Collaboration Centre	Refer purpose of grant program above.	200,000
Small Business Strategy	South Australian Employers Chamber of Commerce and Industry (trading as Business SA)	Refer purpose of grant program above.	75,000
Small Business Strategy	City of Salisbury (trading as Polaris Centre)	Refer purpose of grant program above.	75,000
Small Business Strategy	Social Traders Ltd	Refer purpose of grant program above.	162,500
Women in Business	Adelaide Business Hub	Refer purpose of grant program above.	249,000
Women in Business	DW Behind Closed Doors Pty Ltd	Refer purpose of grant program above.	99,900
<b>Arts (Creative Industries)</b>			
Music Development Office (MDO)	Australian Independent Record Labels Association	Refer purpose of grant program above.	192,000
Music Development Office (MDO)	Beer & BBQ Pty Ltd	Refer purpose of grant program above.	110,000
Music Development Office (MDO)	Nexus Multicultural Arts Centre Inc	Refer purpose of grant program above.	167,416
Music Development Office (MDO)	City of Playford	Refer purpose of grant program above.	114,159
Music Development Office (MDO)	South Australian Contemporary Music Company Limited (trading as MusicSA)	Refer purpose of grant program above.	747,688

#### GRANT PROGRAMS

In reply to **Mr BATTY (Bragg)** (4 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised:

The following table provides the requested information on grant program/funds under my responsibility for the 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26 financial years—Controlled:

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
<b>Arts South Australia</b>				
Major Arts Organisations	Annual operating funding to major arts organisations	98,220	95,458	95,252
Arts Organisations Program	The Arts Organisations Program provides funding to vibrant arts organisations that contribute to a sustainable and thriving arts culture in South Australia. Includes \$1 0m from the Grants Boost funding	6,353	6,531	6,721
Arts and Culture Grants Program	Grant funding for Individuals, Groups, Organisations from the Arts and Culture Grants Program, for a broad range of activity under the categories of Development, Projects and Major Projects	2,661	2,631	2,689
Community Arts & Cultural Development Project Funding for Organisations	This program invests in projects with professional practicing artists that provide greater community awareness of, and participation and engagement in, arts and culture	450	337	331
Richard Llewellyn Deaf and Disability Arts Program	The Richard Llewellyn Deaf and Disability Arts program supports projects and initiatives by South Australian practising professional deaf and disabled artists	280	280	280

Grant program/fund name	Purpose of grant program/fund	2023-24 Estimate \$000	2024-25 Estimate \$000	2025-26 Estimate \$000
Arts South Australia				
ATSI Arts Development Program	Grant funding towards arts and arts projects produced by Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people or involving or incorporating Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander people and cultures as the focus or presenters of work	700	530	520
Aboriginal Art Development (SICAD)	The initiative supports Aboriginal leadership, project ownership and community wellbeing through the arts	105	100	100
Grant for artists leading to sustainable careers	Increase funding for existing funding programs and the establishment of new grant categories allocated in the 2018-19 State Budget process \$0.750m from the Grants Boost funding	1,000	1,000	1,000
Other Arts Assistance	Funding towards Festivals Adelaide, Fringe Honey Pot, DreamBig, Adelaide Festival Awards for Literature, Theatre Presenters' initiative, community initiatives, regional development programs, arts capacity building, international engagement and Recognition	769	1,213	677

The following table provides details, including the value and beneficiary, or any commitments already made to be funded from the program or funds mentioned in the previous answer.

Grant program/fund name	Beneficiary/Recipient	Purpose	2023-24 \$	2024-25 \$	2025-26 \$
Arts South Australia					
Major Arts Organisations	Art Gallery Board of South Australia	Operating grant	8,544,000	8,403,000	8,384,000
Major Arts Organisations	Carrick Hill Trust	Operating grant	994,000	999,000	995,000
Major Arts Organisations	Museum Board of South Australia	Operating grant	10,795,000	10,865,000	10,861,000
Major Arts Organisations	Libraries Board of South Australia	Operating grant	33,853,000	33,910,000	33,721,000
Major Arts Organisations	Adelaide Festival Centre Trust	Operating grant	14,665,000	14,840,000	14,808,000
Major Arts Organisations	Adelaide Festival Corporation	Operating grant	8,806,000	8,908,000	8,928,000
Major Arts Organisations	Country Arts SA	Operating grant	4,424,000	4,435,000	4,409,000
Major Arts Organisations	State Theatre Company	Operating grant	2,462,000	1,731,000	0
Major Arts Organisations	State Opera of South Australia	Operating grant	1,531,000	1,117,000	0
Major Arts Organisations	Adelaide Symphony Orchestra	Operating grant	2,643,000	1,082,000	0
Major Arts Organisations	Australian Dance Theatre	Operating grant	1,244,000	0	0
Major Arts Organisations	Tandanya	Operating grant	856,000	0	0
Major Arts Organisations	Adelaide Fringe	Operating grant	4,333,000	4,333,000	4,333,000
Arts Organisations Program	Access2Artst	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	141,750	145,294	148,926
Arts Organisations Program	ActNow Theatre	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	136,688	140,105	143,607

Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/ Recipient	Purpose	2023-24 \$	2024-25 \$	2025-26 \$
Arts South Australia					
Arts Organisations Program	Adelaide Chamber Singers	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	129,600	132,840	136,161
Arts Organisations Program	ACE	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	359,438	368,423	377,634
Arts Organisations Program	APY Art Centre Collective	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	140,000	0	0
Arts Organisations Program	Artlink	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	118,463	121,424	124,460
Arts Organisations Program	ANAT	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	131,625	134,916	138,289
Arts Organisations Program	Australian String Quartet	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	364,500	373,613	382,953
Arts Organisations Program	Brink Productions	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	455,625	467,016	478,691
Arts Organisations Program	Chamber Music Adelaide	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	167,063	171,239	175,520
Arts Organisations Program	Feast	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	185,288	189,920	194,668
Arts Organisations Program	Guildhouse	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	293,625	300,966	308,490
Arts Organisations Program	Ananguku Arts	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	283,500	290,588	297,852
Arts Organisations Program	Nexus	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	348,886	368,815	387,624
Arts Organisations Program	No Strings Attached	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	141,750	145,294	148,926
Arts Organisations Program	OSCA	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	129,600	132,840	136,161
Arts Organisations Program	Restless Dance Theatre	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	374,239	395,402	415,568
Arts Organisations Program	SALA Festival	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	243,000	249,075	255,302
Arts Organisations Program	Slingsby Theatre	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	471,644	498,818	524,258
Arts Organisations Program	The Mill	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	141,750	145,294	148,926
Arts Organisations Program	Tutti Arts	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	212,625	217,941	223,389
Arts Organisations Program	Vitalstatistix	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	445,500	456,638	468,053
Arts Organisations Program	Writers SA	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	219,713	225,205	230,835

Grant program/ fund name	Beneficiary/ Recipient	Purpose	2023-24 \$	2024-25 \$	2025-26 \$
Arts South Australia					
Arts Organisations Program	Gravity and Other Myths	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	47,500	0	0
Arts Organisations Program	COMA	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	25,000	0	0
Arts Organisations Program	Lewis Major Projects	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	25,000	0	0
Arts Organisations Program	Soundstream	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	25,000	0	0
Arts Organisations Program	FELTspace	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	25,000	0	0
Arts Organisations Program	Theatre Republic	Operational and core activity funding for the organisation	25,000	0	0
Arts Organisations Program	Dance Hub SA	Transition Funding	40,000	0	0
ATSI Arts Development Program	Umoona Community Art Centre	Year Two Operational Funding (former Premier commitment)	100,000	0	0
Arts and Culture Grants Program – Biennial Project	Astrid Pill	Major Projects—grant funding for a range of art making and presentation activity	50,000	0	0
Arts and Culture Grants Program – Biennial Project	Gray Street Workshop	Major Projects—grant funding for a range of art making and presentation activity	50,000	0	0
Arts and Culture Grants Program – Biennial Project	Post Office Projects	Major Projects—grant funding for a range of art making and presentation activity	51,118	0	0
Arts and Culture Grants Program – Triennial Project	Matthew Briggs	Major Projects—grant funding for a range of art making and presentation activity	40,000	0	0
Arts and Culture Grants Program – Triennial Project	Flying Penguin Productions	Major Projects—grant funding for a range of art making and presentation activity	40,000	40,000	0
Other Arts Assistance	Festival City Adelaide	Strategic Partnership	130,000	0	0
Other Arts Assistance	Holden Street Theatres	Theatre Presenters Initiative	50,000	50,000	0
Other grant payments	Carrick Hill Trust	Commonwealth funding under the Adelaide City Deal—To construct a pavilion at Carrick Hill to accommodate a visitor centre	1,500,000	0	0
Other grant payments	Hans Heysen Foundation	Commonwealth funding under the Adelaide City Deal—Construction of the Heysen Gallery at Hahndorf	6,000,000	0	0

**ELECTION COMMITMENTS**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

Our election commitments are on track and will be completed prior to the next state election, where our government will present South Australians with a bold leadership plan for the future of our state.

**TARRKARRI, ABORIGINAL ART AND CULTURES CENTRE**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

The expenditure includes early works construction costs, consultancy fees and the associated design and benchmarking fees to support the project review.

The balance of the 2022-23 estimated result will then be carried over into 2023-24.

**TARRKARRI, ABORIGINAL ART AND CULTURES CENTRE**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

The cost of the review was paid for from within existing resources of the Department of the Premier and Cabinet and not the Tarrkarri investing expenditure budget line.

**ARTS SA**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

\$500,000 was allocated to the department. The savings did not impact funding agreements that were in place.

**EFFICIENCY DIVIDEND TARGETS SAVINGS**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

\$2.89 million in savings saw \$500,000 attributed to the Department of Premier and Cabinet. The remaining \$2.39 million was split across statutory authorities and organisations.

**ADELAIDE FRINGE**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

The Adelaide Fringe was one of the organisations provided the supplementation.

**ARTS FUNDING**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

Seven organisations have been successful in being approved to receive the supplementation.

**ADELAIDE FESTIVAL CENTRE**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. A. MICHAELS (Enfield—Minister for Small and Family Business, Minister for Consumer and Business Affairs, Minister for Arts):** I have been advised of the following:

An additional \$200,000 has been provided to support the Festival Centre in its 50<sup>th</sup> year celebrations, to be used towards various celebration activities planned over the second half of the 2023 calendar year.

**HOPGOOD THEATRE**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (4 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The Department for Education provided \$295k in funding to Country Arts SA to manage the Hopgood Theatre until 30 June 2023. The City of Onkaparinga has a 25-year lease over the Hopgood Theatre commencing 1 July 2023. The Department for Education has also provided a \$6m grant to the City of Onkaparinga for the development of the Hopgood Theatre, with the development estimated to be completed by 31 May 2025.

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Calculation of indexation

As outlined in the Australian Education Act 2013 the Schooling Resource Standard (SRS) is calculated via the following formula:

- $(0.75 \times \text{the movement in the Wage Price Index as of the June quarter between the current and previous calendar year}) + (0.25 \times \text{the movement in Consumer Price Index as of the June quarter between the current and previous calendar years})$
- Noting that the current legislation includes a minimum indexation rate of 3.00 per cent.

The June quarter Wage Price Index (WPI) and Consumer Price Index (CPI) are calculated by the ABS.

In December 2022, the Australian Government released projected growth in the Consumer Price Index and the Wage Price Index across the forward estimates. This information has been used to inform the SRS indexation for the 2023-2027 calendar years.

The estimated 2023 SRS indexation of 4.30 per cent.

As the underlying data required for the calculation of the actual 2023 SRS indexation will not be available until July/August 2023, this is expected to be reflected in the 2023 quarter 3 Funding Estimation Tool released in October 2023. Any adjustments to indexation will be reflected in the 2023-24 MYBR.

**OPERATING EXPENSES**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

As outlined in the 2023-24 state budget, there is an estimated \$381.7 m increase in operating expenditure for the department over the period 2022-23 estimated result and the 2026-27 budget.

The increase of \$381.7m relates mostly to:

- Investments announced in the 2023-24 State Budget relating to the expansion of the school breakfast program and funding the Smith Family to support an additional 700 students per annum in the Learning for Life program in government schools.
- Funding for the government's election commitments for:
  - autism support in schools



- 5 new technical colleges
- mental health and learning support in schools
- Midyear intake
- Employee related and goods & services indexation.
- Increase in depreciation expense mainly as a result of the additional investment in infrastructure for the year 7 to high school initiative.
- Additional funding for the early learning strategy supporting developmentally vulnerable children by increasing the reach and frequency of early childhood developmental health checks and related activities.

#### EDUCATION FUNDING

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Midyear intake into schools is a new policy position that delivers on this government's election commitment and offers parents greater choice.

At the time of preparing this advice, discussions with the Australian government are continuing about their funding arrangements of reception students, noting that the Australian government has issued advice that midyear intake reception students will not be counted in the August census and will therefore not be eligible for funding.

The state government is committed to delivering our election commitment to introduce a midyear intake in government schools from term 3 2024.

The precise financial figure is subject to actual enrolments and policy outcomes regarding how midyear intake students are supported by the Australian government.

#### EDUCATION FUNDING

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The 2022-23 state budget papers last year reflected the cost to the state government of the midyear intake in government schools.

Final funding amounts is dependent on Australian government policy and enrolments.

#### EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ASBESTOS REGISTER

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The department's asbestos register identified asbestos within the buildings being demolished at Seaview Downs Primary School and Pimpala Primary School prior to the works commencing. These buildings have gross building areas of 3060m<sup>2</sup> and 2055m<sup>2</sup> respectively and the extent of the rebuilds and extensive presence of asbestos have contributed to the significance of the early planning process with complex staging programs required to ensure that schools remain operational, and the asbestos removed safely, with minimal impacts to service delivery and learning programs.

#### ADELAIDE BOTANIC HIGH SCHOOL

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The department is currently updating its enrolment forecasts.

**EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

As part of the annual horizon year budget process, the department received \$64.1m as additional capital for 2026-27, exclusive of annual program funding e.g. modulars.

This annual amount is indexed in accordance with Treasury indexation parameters.

**COUNTRY EDUCATION STRATEGY**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The number of teachers that have exercised their right of return after teaching in the country:'

- 46 (2022)
- 58 (2021)
- 60 (2020)
- 73 (2019)
- 49 (2018)

**SCHOOLS AUTISM FUNDING**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The funding to schools in 2023 for the Autism Inclusion Teacher initiative is \$3.962 million.

**CHILDREN IN CARE, EDUCATION PATHWAYS**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** The Minister for Child Protection and I regularly engage on matters related to the education of children and young people in care. I have been advised of the following from the Department for Education:

The Department for Education and the Department for Child Protection (DCP) continue to work together through an interagency working group on initiatives to support educational outcomes for children in care. The most recent 2023-24 work plan includes key actions relating to:

- promoting and supporting preschool participation;
- improved data sharing;
- ensuring timely enrolment;
- early identification of children at risk of disengagement;
- improving mentoring and tutoring programs;
- celebrating the educational achievements of children in care;
- supporting preschools and schools with trauma-informed practice capacity building; and
- working with DCP NGO partners to build their capacity to support participation in learning by children in care.

Previous actions supporting children in care that have been delivered through this working group and the previous two joint plans of action include:

- updated policy on safeguarding children;

- the establishment of Education Champions within DCP;
- improved communications to foster and kinship carers;
- induction resources for key staff working with children in care; and
- staff guidance on processes and responsibilities related to enrolments, personalised education planning, attendance, behaviour and other supports.

The Department for Education also has ongoing initiatives to support the educational outcomes of children in care, with engagement with DCP as the legal guardian on individual students, including:

- early entry to preschool education from three years of age;
- school card financial assistance is provided automatically to all children in government schools fostered through the Department of Child Protection (under the guardianship of the chief executive);
- the trauma-informed practice in education approach to support educators' understanding of education strategies for children and young people impacted by trauma, in particular those in care;
- the Children in Care Service within Student Support Services, supporting schools and preschools to deliver education to children in care;
- student engagement reforms focussed on reduced use of exclusionary discipline and greater inclusion of students in their learning in South Australian government schools (including particular considerations for children in care);
- the school retention program providing mentoring, tutoring and social/emotional learning programs for children in care;
- transition funding provided to preschools and schools when a child enters care or when a child in care starts at a new preschool or school, to support their smooth transition;
- the One Plan personalised learning approach, which supports students to achieve their potential, including children in care; and
- regular children in care school enrolment and attendance monitoring to identify and ensure timely action.

#### CHILDREN IN CARE, EDUCATION PATHWAYS

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

2,419 children attending SA government schools are reported as under guardianship as at term 1 2023.

#### PRESCHOOL FUNDING

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

2021-22 actual income included a one-off \$4 million funding contribution from the Australian government for the purpose of reform project implementation for the 4-year Preschool Reform Agreement ('agreement') that commenced from the beginning of 2022.

#### PRESCHOOL FUNDING

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

This funding does not impact on funding to non-government services.

#### LITERACY AND NUMERACY PROGRAMS

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The Smith Family has advised that its literacy and numeracy programs Student2Student program, Let's Read program and Let's Count program will be continuing.

#### EARLY LEARNING STRATEGY

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The Department for Education has a data sharing agreement with Child and Family Health Service (CaFHS) to collate and share data in relation to the number of children who have had health and development checks in South Australia.

The first five years of a child's life are very important for lifetime development as this is when children's brains develop connections faster than at any other time in their lives.

CaFHS provides a range of health and development services to parents and their children aged 0—5 years.

Regular health and development checks are strongly recommended for all babies and young children to support the foundations for learning, health and behaviour.

Number of individual health and development checks via a CaFHS service in South Australia:

	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23
1-4 weeks	16331	16475	14003	16164	16066	16012
8 weeks	368	220	194	326	4782	12222
6-9 months	4847	4625	3568	3311	3776	7428
18-24 months	2854	2709	2053	1711	1359	1822
3 years	708	655	473	507	595	1061
4-5 years	11186	10683	6756	6794	4992	7149
Total	36294	35367	27047	28813	31570	45694

#### EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STAFF

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following as at 19 July 2023:

- 25 schools are recruiting a principal.
- 18 schools have an acting principal and will soon be recruiting.
- 17 principals are in their last year of appointment.
- Reappointments are currently underway and will be finalised before the end of the 2023 school year.

#### EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STAFF

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following as at 19 July 2023:

- 14 preschools are recruiting a preschool director.
- seven preschools have an acting director and therefore will soon be recruiting.
- eight preschool directors are in their last year of appointment.
- Reappointments are currently underway and will be finalised before the end of the 2023 school year.

#### EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STAFF

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

My department is intending to deliver the early years specific autism related professional development through its online learning portal.

The autism related professional development will be targeted towards early childhood teachers and early childhood workers. However, all department staff will have access to the training via the department's online learning portal and participation rates will be recorded. The exploratory work will confirm this option.

#### **NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS FUNDING**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I wrote to the commonwealth Minister for Education advocating for the continuation of the Non-Government Reform Support Fund. I am advised that, as the terms of the agreements will now expire on 31 December 2024, the Australian government has revised the date by which non-government sector representative bodies must spend or commit funding allocated under the fund to 31 December 2024.

I am advised that this decision was to provide non-government sectors sufficient flexibility to continue to implement the existing reform commitments with Australian government funding before the expiration of the current national and bilateral agreements at the end of next year.

#### **NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOL LOANS**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

As part of the 2022-23 Mid-Year Budget Review, the government approved that the school loans scheme would revert to its previous terms, offering low interest loans at SAFA's borrowing rate plus an administration fee over the entirety of the loan term. As interest charged on loans is related to market conditions, an actual figure cannot be provided at this time.

#### **SCHOOL FUNDING**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Since the last state election, the following schools have been approved loans through round 2 of the scheme:

- Trinity College; and
- Portside Christian College.

Round 3 applications are currently being assessed.

#### **SCHOOLS CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

\$1.05m.

#### **SCHOOL FUNDING**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Planning for 2024 is currently underway.

**INDIGENOUS APPRENTICESHIPS AND TRAINEESHIPS**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Completions data is available through NCVER.

**FINDON TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Enrolments and Expressions of Interest have grown rapidly since the beginning of term 3. As of 7 August, 43 students have enrolled and 96 Expressions of Interest have been received.

It is expected that Findon Technical College will meet its targeted enrolment for 2024.

**FINDON TECHNICAL COLLEGE**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Applicants may be unsuccessful for various reasons. Firstly, year 11 students must meet minimum core skills standards to be accepted into the VET qualifications and technical college program. If they don't meet these standards, they will receive feedback and support to improve their core skills through engagement with their home school. They can reapply the following year and participate in the year 2 program.

Secondly, year 10 students may not be granted placement based on their core skills assessment and/or interview. To be successful, students must demonstrate a genuine desire to pursue a specific industry pathway. They will receive feedback and encouraged to engage in career education programs and industry immersion opportunities with their school throughout the year. They can reapply the following year and participate in the year 2 program.

Lastly, if all placements in the Industry Training Program are full, eligible students will be placed on a waitlist. They will be offered enrolment at the requested technical college when a placement becomes available. The opportunity to attend at one of the other technical college will be available, subject to availability.

Any students who apply for the technical college and are determined unsuccessful will be provided with feedback that will identify areas of the individual student's strengths and areas for improvement. The feedback will accompany various suggested strategies relating to the outlined areas for improvements which will assist in supporting students in their future career pathway and equip students with solutions to work through a process to reapply.

**SCHOOL-BASED APPRENTICES AND TRAINEES**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

This data is publicly available through NCVER.

**TAFE SA**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The price of a qualification can vary depending on the level and duration of the qualification as well as the delivery location. For fee free TAFE/VET places, Skills SA pay the provider a subsidy plus the fee that would usually be paid by the student.

**SKILLING SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

There are currently no active subsidy review applications being considered by Skills SA. Since March 2022, one subsidy review assessment was finalised and there was no change to the subsidy.

**TAFE SA ENROLMENTS**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Completions and dropout data is not currently finalised for semester one.

**TAFE SA MINISTERIAL CHARTER**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** As per the Public Corporations Act 1993 a copy will be laid before both houses of parliament within six sitting days of its amendment.

**TAFE SA**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I am satisfied that TAFE SA is meeting the objectives in the performance statement.

**TAFE SA WHYALLA**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

There are two hairdressing qualifications taught at TAFE SA's Whyalla campus, the Certificate II in Salon Assistant and the Certificate III in Hairdressing.

As at 20 July 2023, 13 students had commenced in the Certificate II in Salon Assistant and 6 students had commenced in the Certificate III in Hairdressing, during the 2023 academic year.

**TAFE SA WHYALLA**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023).  
(Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

There are two qualifications taught at Whyalla TAFE SA in relation to hairdressing, the Certificate II in Salon Assistant and the Certificate III in Hairdressing.

As at 20 July 2023, 13 students commenced in the Certificate II in Salon Assistant in the 20-23 academic year. The lecturer responsible for the course does not reside in Whyalla and travels from another regional location to provide delivery.

In addition, TAFE SA collaborates with the local secondary schools in the area to offer the Certificate II in Salon Assistant to school students. On-line components of the course are supported by the student's local schoolteacher specialising in VET studies. In addition, TAFE SA lecturing staff remotely provide program specific assistance.

As at 20 July 2023, 6 students commenced in the Certificate III in Hairdressing as apprentices in the 2023 academic year. The lecturer responsible for the course does not reside in Whyalla and travels from another regional location to provide delivery.

**AUTISM SA**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

The department has an agreement with Autism SA for the period 1 January 2022 to 31 January 2025 to deliver the Early Intervention Program and School Support Program in government and non-government schools and preschools. Autism SA delivers both programs within the agreement and the funding provided.

Notwithstanding this, some children's centres, preschools and schools may have individual arrangements with Autism SA.

**EDUCATION FAMILY CONFERENCES**

In reply to **the Hon. J.A.W. GARDNER (Morialta—Deputy Leader of the Opposition)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

Education family conferences continue to be an important part of the department's strategy to improving attendance. Education family conferences utilise a strengths-based, family-led approach to empower families to improve their children's attendance at school. It can be an effective mechanism to re-engage families in education when other approaches have been unsuccessful.

Offers and participation in education family conferences

	2021	2022	2023 Term 1 and 2	Total
Department offers of EFC to family				
Number of families	31	40	21	92
Number of students impacted	51	74	23	148

**NON-GOVERNMENT TRAINING PROVIDERS**

In reply to **the Hon. D.G. PISONI (Unley)** (5 July 2023). (Estimates Committee A)

**The Hon. B.I. BOYER (Wright—Minister for Education, Training and Skills):** I have been advised of the following:

In 2022-23 the state government invested \$105.2m in accredited training delivery by non-government training providers. In 2021-22 the state government invested \$84.8m in accredited training delivery by non-government training providers.