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(Paper No. 893)

- * 9789 SKILLS AND TRAINING—TAFE RESOURCES—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Minister for Skills and Training, Minister for Science, Innovation and Technology, Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, and Minister for Sport—
- (1) What are the names of all third-party companies contracted by TAFE NSW to develop TAFE resources, including assessments and course materials from 1 April 2019 to 16 December 2022?
 - (2) For each third-party company provided in question (1), by individual contract (in the case a company has had more than one contract):
 - (a) What was the value of each contract?
 - (b) What were the types of resources required to be produced for each contract?
 - (c) What were the required number of resources to be produced in each contract?
 - (d) How many of these resources were received on time?
 - (e) How many resources were sent back to the contractor for rework?
 - (f) How many resources had to be reworked by TAFE NSW staff before they could be used?
 - (g) How many resources are still outstanding?
 - (3) How many TAFE NSW staff are required to:
 - (a) Manage the contracts, including budget allocations?
 - (b) Monitor the receipt and quality of the resources received in each contract?
 - (4) Does TAFE NSW produce any of its own resources?
 - (a) If so, are these sold to other registered training organisations to provide income for TAFE NSW?
 - (b) If not, when did TAFE NSW stop producing its own resources?

Answer—

All TAFE NSW assessments and teaching and learning resources are developed in collaboration with TAFE NSW teachers, subject matter experts (including TAFE NSW employees or specialist educators), learning designers and assessment designers, who provide critical input into the design and development of the assessment resources and course materials to help ensure they meet student, teacher, community and industry needs.

TAFE NSW has a panel of external partners who work in collaboration with TAFE NSW staff on assessments and teaching and learning resources. Third party specialists are engaged to produce specialist components of assessments and teaching and learning resources, such as digitisation of content. These engagements are managed under strict quality assurance mechanisms to ensure TAFE NSW standards are met. All assessments and teaching and learning resources developed undergo rigorous quality checks to ensure they meet national quality standards and are ready for delivery to students.

Details of all major third-party companies contracted by TAFE NSW to develop TAFE resources (including assessments and course materials) can be found on the Government's eTendering website.

TAFE NSW does produce its own resources. Where appropriate, these resources are licenced to other registered training organisations.

* 9790 ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE—MOUNT MAE ROAD—The Hon. Penny Sharpe to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, Minister for Regional Youth, and Minister for Tourism representing the Minister for Environment and Heritage—

- (1) What is the current status of the Environment Protection Authority's investigation into land clearing in areas where threatened and endangered species have been identified at 768 Mount Rae Road, Taralga New South Wales 2580?
- (2) What actions have been taken to prevent any further clearing of protected habitat at 768 Mount Rae Road, Taralga New South Wales 2580?
 - (a) If none, why?

Answer—

- (1) The Department of Planning and Environment investigated this matter as the appropriate regulatory authority. It was established that the clearing was lawful, but had caused minor damage to the habitat of a threatened orchid species. The investigation was closed on 5 August 2021.
- (2) The landholder was reminded of their legal responsibilities and encouraged to contact Local Land Services before any further clearing. The Department of Planning and Environment will continue to monitor vegetation change in the area.
 - (a) Not applicable.

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(Paper No. 898)

* 9801 TRANSPORT—DRIVERS LICENCE SUSPENSIONS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence representing the Minister for Transport, Minister for Veterans, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) For each year since 2011, could the Minister please provide the total number of drivers licences suspended?
- (2) For each year since 2011, could the Minister please provide the number of drivers licences suspended after the loss of all demerit points?

Answer—

I am advised:

This is a matter for the Minister for Metropolitan Roads.

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9809 CUSTOMER SERVICE AND DIGITAL GOVERNMENT—SERVICE NSW OVERPAYMENTS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government, Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—

- (1) What was the outstanding amount of overpayments delivered by Service NSW as of:
 - (a) 30 June 2022?
 - (b) 31 December 2022?
- (2) What was the outstanding amount of unpaid invoices owed to Service NSW as of:
 - (a) 30 June 2022?
 - (b) 31 December 2022?
- (3) What was the outstanding amount of overpayments under Fraud Check by Service NSW as of:

- (a) 30 June 2022?
 - (b) 31 December 2022?
- (4) What was the total amount of overpayments delivered by Service NSW in the 12 months leading to:
- (a) 30 June 2022?
 - (b) 31 December 2022?

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