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- 30** Ms *Badger* to ask the Minister for Primary Industries and Water, in relation to industry funding, in the last financial year, has any public money been given to the aquaculture, mining, forestry and gambling industries, and if so, how much for each? (17 October 2024)
- 31** Ms *Burnet* to ask the minister for Transport – In relation to public transport usage:
 (1) What percentage of Tasmanians used public transport in the last year?
 (2) What percentage of Tasmanians have used public transport each month since the half-price fare program was brought in? (17 October 2024)
- 32** Mr *Bayley* to ask the Minister for Finance, in relation to industry taxation, in the last financial year, how much in state taxes and fees did the aquaculture, mining, forestry and gambling industries pay? (17 October 2024)
- 33** Dr *Woodruff* to ask the Premier – In relation to the allocation of money to community groups during the 2024 election campaign:
 (1) Please provide a full list of the community grants awarded during the 2024 election campaign.
 (2) Both the Integrity Commission and the Auditor-General have made recommendations for the proper use of public money. Will you implement these recommendations, and if so, when? (17 October 2024)
- 34** Dr *Woodruff* to ask the Minister for Business, Industry and Resources, in relation to salmon biomass in Macquarie Harbour, what was the peak reported biomass in Macquarie Harbour between December 2023 and March 2024? (17 October 2024)
- 37** Dr *Woodruff* to ask the Minister for Energy and Renewables – In relation to climate change mitigation in the transport sector:
 (1) Has any progress been made on the electric bus trial, and if so, what is this progress?
 (2) What are the next stages of the electric bus trial, and when is it expected to be completed?
 (3) When will you move bus electrification out of the trial phase and start electrifying the whole fleet, like other states and territories are doing?
 (4) Are there any electric rebates left, and if so, how many?
 (5) Why has no further funding for electric rebates been provided in the final sectoral plan for transport emissions?
 (6) What percentage of the Government fleet has been converted to zero emissions vehicles in the last year?
 (7) What percentage of the Government fleet have been converted to zero emissions overall, in line with your 2030 target for the fleet to be 100% zero emissions vehicles?
 (8) Heavy vehicles equate to a large proportion of our transport emissions. Will you extend your target for 100% EV's in the government fleet to include other government vehicles, such as buses and rubbish trucks?

- (9) In your transport sector emissions reduction plan, you commit to further electric vehicle charging grants. When will the next grant round open? (17 October 2024)
- 43** Ms *Badger* to ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management in relation to the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area (TWWHA) Fire Management Plan 2022:
- (1) Have the following Management Actions contained in the TWWHA Fire Management Plan been completed:
 - (a) the Cradle Mountain Fire Management Strategy;
 - (b) developing strategies for any of the 11 priority Ecological Management Zones identified by the TWWHA Fire Management Strategy;
 - (c) the Reserve Values Fire Protection Plan for Cradle Mountain and Cradle Valley; and
 - (d) a system for the prioritisation of multiple new ignitions on PWS managed land, and its incorporation into the PWS Bushfire Season fire Action Plan?
 - (2) If the above actions have been completed, please provide the applicable documents.
 - (3) If the above actions are underway but not completed, please provide an update on their progress.
 - (4) If the actions are neither completed nor underway, please provide an explanation as to why this is the case and when they are likely to be progressed? (6 March 2025)
- 44** Ms *Badger* to ask the Minister for Parks in relation to the Maria Island National Park and Ile des Phoques Nature Reserve Management Plan:
- (1) To date, how much has been spent on the cost of consultants for the Maria Island Management Plan Review?
 - (2) What is the forecasted spend on consultants for the Maria Island Management Plan Review? (11 March 2025)
- 45** Ms *Badger* to ask the Minister for Parks in relation to the Next Iconic Walk and measures to prevent the spread of phytophthora:
- (1) Please provide a map of known locations of phytophthora along the proposed route of the Next Iconic Walk.
 - (2) What measures, if any, are proposed to prevent the spread of phytophthora both during track construction and when the walk is operational?
 - (3) What is the cost of the measures proposed to prevent the spread of phytophthora both during track construction and when the walk is operational? (11 March 2025)
- 46** Ms *Badger* to ask the Minister for Parks, in relation to rescues in Tasmania's national parks, broken down by year and by national park, have there been any rescues in Tasmania's National Parks in the years 2018 to 2024, and if so, how many? (11 March 2025)
- 47** Ms *Badger* to ask the Minister for Skills and Training in relation to TasTAFE – Please detail, in the past five years, with an annual breakdown on how many:
- (a) TasTAFE employees are on stress leave?
 - (b) bullying complaints have been lodged; and
 - (c) worker compensation claims have there been and what for? (12 March 2025)
- 48** Ms *Rosol* to ask the Minister for Children and Youth, in relation to third party guardianship, have any children been transferred to third party guardianship in the last five years, and if so, how many by each year? (13 March 2025)
- 49** Ms *Rosol* to ask the Minister for Arts and Heritage, in relation to the Heritage Tasmania northern office move:
- (1) Are there plans to relocate Launceston Heritage Tasmania staff from their current location in 53 St John Street, Launceston to government offices in Prospect, and if so, when is this move scheduled to occur?
 - (2) Have any other relocation spaces been considered for this move, including potential sites within the Launceston CBD, and if so, where?
 - (3) Please provide information on the proposed space in Prospect, including available parking spaces?
 - (4) Has an analysis of the ongoing costs of this move been undertaken? And if so, what is the difference in the cost of rent between the current Heritage Tasmanian offices at 53 St John Street, Launceston and the proposed Prospect office?

- (5) What are the anticipated travel and parking costs for onsite service provision?
- (6) Have northern Heritage Tasmanian staff been consulted on this move, and if so, how, and have their views been taken into consideration during the decision-making process? (13 March 2025)

50 Ms *Burnet* to ask the Minister for Health in relation to illegal tobacco:

- (1) Are there any identified illegal unlicensed tobacco sellers, associated with identified organised crime organisations, operating in Tasmanian selling illicit tobacco and vapes, and if so, how many?
- (2) What enforcement steps, if any, are the government taking to prosecute these operations?
- (3) If there are such unlicensed tobacco sellers in Tasmania, where are they located, by Local Government Area?
- (4) Are there currently any vacancies in tobacco control enforcement officer positions, and if so, how long have there been vacancies?
- (5) If there are vacant tobacco control enforcement roles, when will these positions be filled in public health?
- (6) Are tobacco control enforcement officer positions subject to a recruitment freeze?
- (7) Is Public Health affected by the cuts to 'non-essential' public service non 'frontline positions,' and if so:
 - (a) which positions will be cut? and;
 - (b) do these cuts affect staff involved in the implementation of the Tobacco Action Plan, the Tobacco Coalition and legislation needed to close loopholes in the tobacco legislation and for illegal vape sales? (13 March 2025)

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