Mineral Resources Tasmania – Forced Redundancies

Ms JOHNSTON question to PREMIER

My question is from Sally in Sandy Bay. She says that as recently as September, the Premier said the Government would not consider forced redundancies as a means of achieving its desired job cuts, yet almost a third of positions at Mineral Resources Tasmania have been identified as surplus. Affected staff must attend work and wait for a case manager. If no duties are found, they can be terminated without their consent after six months. She asks, how is termination after six months consistent with that commitment? How many Mineral Resources Tasmania positions are affected and how many case managers are assigned? What psychosocial risk assessments have been done for affected and remaining staff? What savings did the Government assume from these cuts, and what modelling supports that figure? Finally, are Mineral Resources Tasmania's voluntary separation payouts funded from its own budget rather than centrally? If so, why and what are the costs to date?