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Mr Josh Willie MP
Member for Clark

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Constituency Question of 18 September 2024 – Short Stay Levy

Dear Mr Willie

Thank you for your question on behalf of your constituent regarding the short stay accommodation levy.

The Tasmanian Government is progressing the introduction of a five per cent levy on short-stay rental accommodation as part of our 2030 Strong Plan for Tasmania's Future.

The Short Stay Levy is complex in its development and implementation. Consultation has commenced, and major platform providers have been invited to work with the government as part of the development of the levy.

As you would be aware, Victoria has announced that it will introduce a 7.5 per cent levy on short stay accommodation from January 2025 that it is currently in the process of developing. While the rate in Tasmania will be lower, the Government will review the implementation in Victoria and engage closely with stakeholders ahead of any levy coming into effect in Tasmania.

The levy is expected to raise around \$11 million each year and will be paid by those using short stay accommodation, not the owners of the property.

Yours sincerely

Hon Nic Street MP
Minister for Finance