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Mr Howard Hobbs MP Chair Transport, Housing and Local Government Committee Parliament House BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Hobbs

Please find attached the response to two questions taken on notice as part of the Transport, Housing and Local Government Committee Estimates Hearing on 18 October 2012.

If you require any further information, please don't hesitate to contact me on telephone 3234 1870.

Yours sincerely

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David Crisafulli Minister for Local Government

2 Attachments

Question on Notice

No. 1

Asked on 18 October 2012

Tim Mulherin MP asked the Minister a question on MOHRI data (Hansard, page 66-7)

"Mr MULHERIN: Thanks. I refer the minister to the MOHRI, which is the Minimum Obligatory

Human Resource Information, which outlines at page 84 of Budget Paper No. 2 that 15 jobs are being removed from your department. How many of these positions were classified as front-line in the MOHRI data under the definition applied at 28 March 2012 compared with the definition that is now applied by the LNP government?

(p.67) Mr MULHERIN: So, Minister, you will take it on notice to provide that MOHRI data?

Mr CRISAFULLI: We may have to. My apologies.

Response:

Nothing highlights the absurdity of Labor's definition of front-line services more than the role of the Department of Local Government. The way the definition was interpreted by the former government, two-thirds of the staff from the Department of Local Government were classified as front line.

You will find no person more passionate about local government than me, but I do not believe you have a lot of people picking up the phone and ringing to speak with somebody from the department to fix a pothole or a hedge. Our role is to provide a framework to allow local government to get on with the job.

While I maintain that there were no front line positions lost, under this absurd definition there were 12 front line positions abolished.

Attachment 2

Question on Notice

No. 2

Asked on 18 October 2012

Tim Mulherin MP asked the Minister a question re corporate boxes (Hansard, page 66)

"Mr MULHERIN: Thanks very much. No doubt as minister you have been invited to private corporate boxes at facilities owned and operated by Stadiums Queensland. Would you be prepared to table who invited you to what events, what invitations you accepted and who was in attendance?

Mr CRISAFULLI: Yes"

Response:

I have not been able to confirm whether I have received any invitations from Stadiums Queensland but I can confirm I have not attended any events hosted by Stadiums Queensland.

Ends.