Question on Notice

No. 863

Asked on 30 August 2022

MR R STEVENS ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide the number of fines and warnings issued for fare evasion on the South East Queensland Translink network (reported separately for each of the last four financial years)?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Mermaid Beach for the question.

This government understands the importance of providing safe and comfortable public transport services for the people of Queensland. For this reason, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) Translink senior network officers (SNOs) assist with deterring fare evasion and anti-social behaviour on the South East Queensland (SEQ) Translink passenger network.

These SNOs operate from offices located at key locations in the Brisbane CBD and on the Gold Coast and operate alongside:

- Queensland Rail authorised officers
- Queensland Police Service rail squad officers
- G:link customer service officers (CSO)
- Bus Queensland CSOs
- Kinetic CSOs.

To deter potential fare evaders, these authorised persons have powers to issue warning notices (warnings) and penalty infringement notices (PINs). In the past four financial years, all officers across the Translink SEQ Network issued:

- 16,999 PINs and 55,501 warnings in 2018–19
- 15,916 PINs and 45,216 warnings in 2019–20
- 17,097 PINs and 57,315 warnings in 2020–21
- 15,241 PINs and 50,736 warnings in 2021–22.