Question on Notice

No. 173

Asked on Tuesday, 28 February 2006

Mr ROWELL asked the Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for State Development, Trade and Innovation (MS BLIGH) –

QUESTION:

How much revenue did the State Government receive from the GST on the excise of fuel sold in Queensland in 2004-05 and what is the GST revenue anticipated on fuel excise that will be sold in 2005-06?

ANSWER:

Unfortunately it is not possible, based on data supplied by the Commonwealth Government relating to the Goods and Services Tax (GST), to determine the GST revenue received by the State Government from the excise on fuel sold in Queensland.

Further, GST collected in Queensland is not passed directly to the State Government, but is pooled with GST receipts collected in other states and territories and distributed by the Commonwealth Government according to an assessment made by the Commonwealth Grants Commission.

Fuel excise is a tax on fuel imposed by the Commonwealth Government. The State Government does not impose any tax on fuel, but does provide an 8.35 cent per litre subsidy to Queensland motorists. This subsidy largely offsets the GST paid by Queensland motorists.