

## Question on Notice

No. 56

Asked on Thursday, 13 February 2014

**MRS MILLER** asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice (MR BLEIJIE) –

### QUESTION:

With reference to the government's announcement that commemorative certificates will be provided on request to parents of babies born in 2013 when they apply for their official birth certificate—

- (1) What is the cost to the Queensland Government of producing the special birth certificate commemorating the birth of Prince George of Cambridge (broken down into all cost components, for example but not restricted to, printing, design, and any licence or copyright sought)?
- (2) How many applications were received from Queensland parents for a copy of the Prince George of Cambridge commemorative birth certificate?
- (3) How many Prince George of Cambridge commemorative birth certificates have been issued by the Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages?

### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Bundamba for her question and would like to take this opportunity to again congratulate the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge on the arrival of their first child.

His Royal Highness Prince George Alexander Louis of Cambridge (Prince George) is the third in line to the throne, after his father, Prince William, and grandfather, Prince Charles. The birth of Prince George marks an important event of 2013 and I am pleased that the Queensland Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages (RBDM) were able to provide children born in the same year with a keepsake of their special bond to the future Sovereign.

- (1) I can advise the Member that the total cost of producing the Prince George of Cambridge Commemorative Certificates (the Certificates) was \$93,886.

The cost can be broken down as follows:

Item	Cost
Design and Printing	\$12,041
Postage	\$70,605
Administration	\$11,240
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$93,886</b>

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- (2) As at 21 February 2014, the RBDM had received 8,628 applications for Certificates.
- (3) Of these applications, RBDM has issued all 8,628 Certificates.