

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 846

asked on 12 August 2020

MS F SIMPSON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS AND MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (HON S FENTIMAN) —

QUESTION:

With reference to the Small Business COVID-19 Adaption Grant Program—

Will the Minister provide the number of businesses that had to apply twice to receive a potential grant because they did not hear back from the first round that closed six weeks ago?

ANSWER:

As of 19 August 2020, a total of 27,016 applications had been received across both Round 1 and 2 of the Small Business COVID-19 Adaption Grant Program. Of those 3486 businesses submitted applications in both rounds. A number that had been declined in Round 1 subsequently submitted amended applications to Round 2 that were able to address reasons for being declined in the first round

Prior to Round 2 opening on 1 July 2020, businesses that had submitted applications in Round 1 and who had been declined or not yet been approved, were given advance notice of Round 2 opening on 1 July 2020 and invited to submit an application.

All Round 1 applications were assessed by 31 July 2020.