Question on Notice

No. 1355

Asked on 10 November 2022

MR D PURDIE ASKED TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR TRADE AND INVESTMENT (HON C DICK)—

QUESTION:

With reference to recent media reports that Queensland Treasury expect to issue 23,000 land tax letters to land owners over the next twelve months but 60 percent of those are 'expected to be granted a principal place of residence exemption' and given that the Queensland Government already has knowledge of a person's residential address through both ECQ enrolment records and TMR drivers licence records—

Will the Treasurer advise why simple data matching cannot be used to reduce the number of Queenslanders who unnecessarily are contacted about a potential land tax bill that they do not need to pay?

ANSWER:

I am advised that Section 76 of the Land Tax Act 2010 requires that an application for land to be exempt must be made in the approved form. I am advised that this provision applied during the period of Liberal National Party Government, and no attempt was made to amend this.

I am advised that additional information is provided through the form that is not available through administrative data sets.