

**Question on Notice**

**No. 614**

**Asked on 23 May 2023**

**MR R MOLHOEK** ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—

**QUESTION:**

Will the Minister advise for each tilt train currently in service with Queensland Rail (a) the date that it entered service and (b) the forecast date of retirement?

**ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for Southport for the question.

To provide customers with the opportunity to experience the wonders that Queensland has to offer, Queensland Rail operates five tilt trains along its North Coast line.

The two Electric Tilt Trains (ETTs) that operate between Brisbane and Bundaberg and Brisbane and Rockhampton entered service in November 1998. The ETTs underwent an overhaul in 2015 and are scheduled for mandatory maintenance works to ensure their ongoing safety and reliability commencing from 17 July 2023. Following these mandatory works, the ETTs will continue operations through to their forecasted retirement between 2034 and 2038.

There are also three Diesel Tilt Trains (DTTs)—known as the *Spirit of Queensland*—that operate between Brisbane and Cairns. Two DTTs entered into service in June 2003, with the third in 2014. It is currently forecasted that following overhaul works to extend their service life, the first two DTTs will be retired in 2043 and the third in 2044.