

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Chief Minister:

Alcohol Statistics Monitoring Group

1. Recently the NT Government met with Hon. Linda Burney and Senator Malarndirri McCarthy, Assistant Minister for Indigenous Australians, to discuss the lifting of the Stronger Future Alcohol Ban during the recent Garma Festival.

Please provide details as to the matters discussed and any agreements reached pertaining to the Northern Territory.

2. Donna Ah Chee, Chief Executive Office of Central Australian Aboriginal Congress, advised on ABC Radio that a “monitoring group” was established at the meeting to collect and collate data on alcohol purchases, consumption and consequences.

Please provide details on the makeup of the “monitoring group”, and whether it will incorporate data and records from:

- a) Department of Health;
 - b) Police, Fire and Emergency Services;
 - c) Territory Families;
 - d) Department of Education; and
 - e) Any other NT Government departments.
3. Will non-government organisations and Aboriginal organisations be asked to provide data to this monitoring group? If so, please list these organisations.
 4. Please provide details as to what data would be provided by each organisation and department, as well as the timeframes for reporting this data.
 5. Will the data being collected include:
 - a) alcohol related presentations at the emergency department;
 - b) alcohol related instances of domestic violence;
 - c) alcohol related sexual assaults;
 - d) alcohol related assaults;
 - e) sale of alcohol statistics taken from the liquor outlets;

- f) changes to the number of ambulance call-outs;
 - g) changes to numbers of school attendance;
 - h) changes to numbers of child protection reports; and
 - i) changes to crime statistics since the lifting of the ban.
6. What are the timeframes for the establishment of this monitoring group?
 7. What funding will be put in place for operation of this monitoring group?
 8. How long will this monitoring group be in place for?
 9. Will this monitoring group track data from all the regions of the Northern Territory?
 10. Will this monitoring group track data from remote communities, outstations and homelands?
 11. Will the collected and collated data be made available to the public? If so, how periodically will this information be released?
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ANSWERS:

1. The Hon Linda Burney MP, Minister for Indigenous Australians, and Senator Malarndirri McCarthy, Assistant Minister for Indigenous Australians, reiterated the willingness of the Albanese Federal Labor Government to cooperate with the NT Government following the cessation of the *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory Act 2012* (Cth).

As part of this cooperation, the Commonwealth and NT Governments are coming together to create an integrated data system across important social determinant areas.

The Department of the Chief Minister and Cabinet (CM&C) and the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) are continuing to work through the details of the data solution, and more information will be released once finalised.

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