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The President, Mr Farrell, took the Chair at 11 a.m., acknowledged the Traditional People and read Prayers.

[excerpt...]

School Bus Services - Consideration of Extending Kingston Route

Ms WEBB question to MINISTER for INFRASTRUCTURE and TRANSPORT, Mr VINCENT

[2.47 p.m.]

To follow up on the previous question, I appreciate that information provided by the minister, but I wasn't asking about public transport to those suburbs - although it's good to hear that that's going to be looked at under the review. The specific question was about the school buses, which you did reference in your answer, that currently provide transport to school. It's a private bus company that transports children to school, going to Kingston Primary and Kingston High, and I believe what there's one for Hobart College.

The question relates to adjustments that have been requested to those Wisby Bus service routes to also be able to drop kids to school at St Aloysius and Tarremah Steiner School, which has been requested and apparently would comply with the State Growth school bus service eligibility guidelines. The parents, the schools and the bus company are all looking to make the change, but that hasn't necessarily been progressed by State Growth. I'm asking will you look at that and give it consideration ahead of the 2026 school year, to see if that can be accommodated with those existing school bus contracts?

ANSWER

Mr President, I thank the member for clarification on that. I probably should have expanded on that last little bit some more, about the newness of the information received and I am happy to progress that through. I can't say that I'm fully across how that works, other than that State Growth handle those contracts as well and we will progress that. I am happy to come back to you, it won't be immediately because we've got to find out a little bit more information, which is what I hinted at, that we are working through it at the moment. I should note, the letters myself and the member for Huon received were very well written, in a lot of detail. It really was, it was very well done. We don't always see the level of detail it had in it. We have taken it very seriously