

Legislative Council

Hansard

Wednesday 25 March 2026

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

[excerpt...]

Government Car Fleet - Transition to Electric Vehicles

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

[2.48 p.m.]

My question relates to the government car fleet transition to EVs. It goes to the ramifications of remaining fossil fuel dependent and an urgent need for Tasmania to genuinely move to a zero-carbon future. Minister, the Tasmanian Government has a policy to transition its passenger and light commercial fleet to 100 per cent electric by 2030. Yet by early 2025 only 1 per cent of the fleet had been converted to EVs, and now with four years to go to meet that 2020 deadline. Minister, what percentage of the state vehicle fleet is currently 100 per cent electric, and what's the projected EV uptake required annually for the state to meet its 2030 deadline?

ANSWER

Mr President, that part of transport doesn't come under my ministry, but I will just check on something there for you, to give you a partial answer.

We'll put that whole question on notice to the Leader to get that right information for you. I can say that the pool drivers have been quite excited over the last few months about some of the work they've been doing in testing various vehicles to see how they work distance-wise and operate. They have had some trials. It's not technically available knowledge for me, but I know the drivers have been quite excited about some of the testing they've been doing. We'll find out the rest of that for you, though.

Ms Webb - I'll send it through, and I had a follow-up accompanying question as well, so I'll send them both through. Thank you.