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Mr David Blunt Clerk of the Legislative Council Parliament House Macquarie Street Sydney 2000

Re: Supplementary Questions for Written Answers: Firefighters Industrial Award

Dear Mr Blunt,

Please find below my answer to the Supplementary Question for Written Answers on the Firefighters Industrial Award asked by the Hon. Damien Tudehope MLC.

ANSWER:

In October last year, the NSW Government delivered firefighters their highest pay rise in over a decade with a 4.5 per cent, one-year agreement. This followed their award expiring under the previous government.

Negotiations are now underway on a new, multi-year agreement between Fire and Rescue NSW and the Fire Brigade Employees Union. Fire and Rescue NSW has proposed key areas of mutual interest to underpin the bargaining process. It will take time to work through these issues and that process should be allowed to continue to ensure shared gains are achieved.

The NSW Government is committed to delivering a modern, fair and sustainable award for firefighters and for the community.

Sincerely,

Anthony D'Adam MLC

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