3.11 Deputy C.F. Labey of Grouville of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services regarding the retirement age for bus drivers:

Could the Minister inform Members of the age at which bus drivers have to retire and could he also explain at what age bus drivers of school buses have to retire, and if there is a difference explain why?

Deputy K.C. Lewis (The Minister for Transport and Technical Services):

Liberty Bus drivers retire from full-time driving at the normal retirement age of 65. This is consistent with the practice of the previous bus operators. Anyone over the age of 65 wishing to continue driving school bus services on a part-time basis may do so providing that they maintain a current public service vehicle badge. This obliges the individual to pass the annual medical examination to ensure their fitness and applies equally to coach drivers. As long as a driver is assessed as fit to drive a P.S.V. (public service vehicle) with a doctor, they will be employable.

The Deputy of Grouville:

I thank the Minister for his reply.