

4.11 Senator S. Syvret of the Minister for Economic Development regarding the employment of non-‘(j)’ category staff employed in his Department:

Will the Minister state whether all non (j) category staff employed in his department in any period from January 2008 until the present are, or were, qualified to undertake such work under the 5-year rule?

Senator A.J.H. Maclean (The Minister for Economic Development):

The department employed non-locals in temporary positions to provide the Beach Lifeguard Service for the 2008 summer season.

4.11.1 Senator S. Syvret:

Is the Minister informing the Assembly that no junior clerk was employed within his department itself who did not qualify under the 5-year rule?

Senator A.J.H. Maclean:

I am advised that that is the case.

4.11.2 Senator S. Syvret:

Is he really, really sure?

Senator A.J.H. Maclean:

I have been really, really advised, and I trust that advice. **[Laughter]**

Senator S. Syvret:

I thank the Minister for his answers and I will provide him with the name later.