



INSURANCE, PUBLIC LIABILITY
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Mrs PENFOLD (Flinders): Will the Treasurer advise whether he has made the decision to allow the Insurance Services Unit of Corporate Services to continue to offer interim public liability insurance cover to non-government agencies? Many non-government agencies, including the Eyre Peninsula Women's and Children's Support Centre, have been unable to access public liability insurance cover, despite not having made a claim. The shelter's insurance cover lapses as of close of business tomorrow. The ramifications of closing the shelter are enormous. The women's shelter is responsible for some 16 homes, including emergency accommodation for families at risk of domestic violence. I seek the Treasurer's urgent reassurance that interim cover will continue beyond tomorrow until a long-term insurer is found.

The Hon. K.O. FOLEY (Treasurer): I thank the honourable member for her question. I will get a full and detailed answer for the member this afternoon. I have had discussions on a matter relating to the issue that the member has just raised, and I will obtain a full answer for her and provide it before the close of business today.