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Rob Fairs MP
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Via Clerk of the House of Assembly
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Dear Mr Fairs

Thank you for your question in Parliament on 27 October 2026 on behalf of your constituent Mandy regarding assistance with travel costs for junior athletes.

We recognise the cost of representing Tasmania at national competitions can place significant pressure on families. That is why the Tasmanian Government introduced the Junior Travel Assistance Program, which enables eligible junior athletes representing Tasmania at approved national events to claim assistance towards their expenses.

I am pleased to confirm the Government has recently increased this support from $200 to $400 per eligible athlete. This increase recognises the growing cost of competing at national events and reinforces the Government's commitment to ensuring more young Tasmanians have the opportunity to represent their state on the national stage.

This Government remains committed to reducing barriers to participation and ensuring talented young Tasmanians have the opportunity to represent our state on the national stage.

Once again thank you for your continued interest in supporting junior athletes and their families.

Yours sincerely



Hon Nick Duigan MLC
Minister for Sport