

GOATS — GRAZING IMPACT

1040. Hon ROBIN CHAPPLE to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the environmental impact of grazing by goats in Western Australia.

- (1) Is excessive grazing considered to be clearing?
- (2) If yes to (1), what is being done to —
 - (a) monitor the impact of goats on pastoral leases; and
 - (b) prevent clearing of native vegetation by goats?
- (3) What is the impact of grazing by goats in WA?
- (4) Is this impact increased by the practice of, in effect, farming feral goats?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?

Hon DONNA FARAGHER replied:

I thank the member for his question. Unfortunately, I have not seen that question. I have a question on dog-proofing, but not on goats.