

SHARK DRUM LINE PROGRAM — ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY REPORT —
PREMIER'S COMMENTS

683. Mr D.J. KELLY to the Premier:

I refer to the Premier's statement on 11 September 2014 following the Environmental Protection Authority's decision to recommend against his shark cull, when he said, "I want to focus on catching rogue sharks."

- (1) What exactly is a rogue shark and on what basis does the Premier say these rogue sharks exist?
- (2) Why does the Premier not accept the expert advice, including from his own Department of Fisheries, that there is no such thing as a rogue shark, except in Hollywood movies?

Mr C.J. BARNETT replied:

- (1)–(2) I anticipated that that question would be asked. We are not talking about the Hollywood movie *Jaws* or anything like it, and the member opposite knows that. It is a common usage term relating to a large shark that frequents a popular swimming location.

Mr P.B. Watson: We've got one, Premier.

Mr C.J. BARNETT: Maybe there is one in Albany.

It is a silly question. The public understands what I was referring to.