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[ASSEMBLY — Wednesday, 18 February 2015] p351c-351c Ms Josie Farrer; Mr John Day

PRIMARY BEHAVIOUR CENTRES — KIMBERLEY REGION

- 3199. Ms J. Farrer to the Minister representing the Minister for Education:
- (1) Have any Primary Behaviour Centres been established at any Primary Schools in the Kimberley?
- (2) If yes to (1), what is the location of each centre?
- (3) If no to (1), why are there no Primary Behaviour Centres in the Kimberley?
- (4) If yes to (1), is there a waiting list for a child to be enrolled in a Primary Behaviour centre?
- (5) If yes to (4), what has been the average waiting time for enrolment in each of the past five years for each centre?
- (6) If yes to (1), have any resources been cut from any centre due to the State Government's education funding cuts?
- (7) If yes to (6), what are the details of all cuts to all centres?

Mr J.H.D. Day replied:

- (1) No
- (2) Not applicable
- (3) The location of regional Behaviour Centres was primarily based on the size of the student population. There are 12 Behaviour Centres in Western Australia; eight in the metropolitan area and four in regional locations. Specified metropolitan Behaviour Centres provide an outreach service for the Kimberley and Wheatbelt Education Regions.
- (4) Not applicable. However it should be noted that students do not enrol at Behaviour Centres. Behaviour Centre staff work in schools with primary students and their teachers on corrective strategies to address complex and challenging behaviours.
- (5) Not applicable
- (6) Not applicable
- (7) Not applicable