

VASSE LEEUWIN HEALTH SERVICE, BUDGET

115. **Mr B.K. Masters** to the Minister for Health

- (1) What new health service or services have been opened or announced in Busselton in the past year, as claimed in the Minister's media statement of 30 April 2002?
- (2) What are the annual operating and/or capital costs of these new services?
- (3) Did the budget for the Vasse Leeuwin Health Service increase by the regional Western Australia average of 11% in line with the claimed increase to \$397 million for regional health service funding in the 2001-2002 financial year?
- (4) What is the budget allocation for the Vasse Leeuwin Health Service for the 2002-2003 year and how does this compare in both actual and percentage terms to the previous four years?

Mr R.C. KUCERA replied:

1. · The Salaried ED service at Busselton District Hospital in August 2001.
Increase in additional funding for PATS in January 2002.
Opening of Hospice on Busselton District Hospital site.
Child Health Nurse and Allied Health hours increased in Community Health area.
2. \$870 000.
3. Yes.
4. As the services previously provided by Vasse Leeuwin Health Service are now incorporated into the South West Health Service no budget has been specifically allocated.