

ROE HIGHWAY

**490. Hon DERRICK TOMLINSON to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:**

- (1) Did the Commonwealth Government make a grant of \$76 million to Western Australia for the construction of Roe Highway as a road of national importance; if yes, what were the conditions of the grant?
- (2) What was the total cost of the contract completed by Leighton Contractors Pty Ltd for the design and construction of stage 4 of Roe Highway between Welshpool Road and the Kenwick link?
- (3) What is the estimated total cost of stage 5 of Roe Highway between the Kenwick link and Nicholson Road, now under construction by Leighton Contractors Pty Ltd?
- (4) What portion of the total amount met or to be met for stages 4 and 5 will be expended from the commonwealth grant?
- (5) What portion of the total cost of the design and construction of stages 4 and 5 by Leighton Contractors Pty Ltd has been or will be met from state funds independent of the commonwealth road of national importance grant?
- (6) What is the projected cost of stages 6, 7 and 8 of Roe Highway?

**Hon GRAHAM GIFFARD replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Yes, for Roe Highway stages 4,5, 6 and 7. The approval was granted in accordance with the Australian Land Transport Development Act 1988 with the requirement that Main Roads liaise with the relevant environmental agencies in accordance with the Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.
- (2)-(3) Roe Highway stages 4 and 5 were let as a single contract with an award price of \$62 million. The total project cost is \$83 million.
- (4) \$31 million.
- (5) \$52 million.
- (6) Roe Highway stage 6 will cost \$40 million and stage 7 will cost \$58 million. The Government is not constructing stage 8.