

SINGLE-USE PLASTICS

960. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the minister's fast-tracked Plan for Plastics, or the plan.

- (1) Will all single-use plastic items listed at stage 1 be phased out by the end of 2021 as announced?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following answer has been provided to me by the Minister for Environment.

- (1) All items listed in stage 1 of Western Australia's Plan for Plastics will be phased out through regulations that will be in place from 1 January 2022. The regulations are being developed with advice from the single-use plastic working group, representing retailers, suppliers, hospitality, health, aged, disability, community and environment sectors, and through stakeholder forums held in July and August. As outlined in the plan, the regulations will ensure that people who require plastic straws and other single-use plastic items for their life needs can continue to access these.
- (2) Not applicable.