

POLICE — GEL BLASTERS — LEGAL STATUS

890. Hon RICK MAZZA to the minister representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to gel blasters, which are plastic toy guns that shoot water-filled gel balls at around 250 feet per second.

- (1) What is the legal status of gel blasters in Western Australia?
- (2) If gel blasters are classified as firearms, is any consideration being given by the WA Police Force to change their status?

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 Police.

- (1) The Western Australia Police Force advises that gel blasters are not legal in Western Australia.
- (2) The Western Australia Police Force is reviewing the legal status of gel blasters, taking into account their status in other states and territories.