Extract from Hansard

[ASSEMBLY - Tuesday, 18 August 2009] p6049b-6049b Mr Frank Alban; Dr Elizabeth Constable

SHACK SITE COMMUNITIES

Petition

MR F.A. ALBAN (Swan Hills) [2.42 pm]: I have a petition from 203 petitioners on the leased shack sites communities. This petition is similar to the petitions on this subject tabled last week; therefore, I will not read out its content.

[See petition 103.]

Petition

DR E. CONSTABLE (Churchlands — Minister for Education) [2.42 pm]: I present the following petition —

Leased Shack Sites Communities, such as Wedge Island, Grey, Donnelly River, Broke Inlet, Dampier Archipelagos, and Israelite Bay have long been the traditional holiday/recreational destination for many thousands of ordinary Western Australians.

Most Shack Site Communities sprung up to accommodate the gathering of farming and town based families to enjoy holidays together in remote and idyllic fishing locations right across Western Australia.

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The petitioners, 156 of them, are asking the Assembly to —

Examine how other States of Australia, including South Australia, Tasmania and New South Wales have retained conforming Shack Site Communities in order to preserve these valuable assets for many Western Australians to have affordable coastal holiday destinations and continue to allow human interaction all but lost in today's society.

[See petition 104.]