

ELECTRICITY PRICES, REDUCTION

**1258. Mr R.F. JOHNSON to the Minister for Small Business:**

I ask a supplementary question. Is the minister saying that it will take 20 years from the implementation of the reforms to achieve that 8.5 per cent saving?

**Mr R.C. KUCERA replied:**

I have already stated that the impact will be immediate, as soon as the reform package kicks in. The main impact will be over a four-year period, with a full reform package over 20 years. I cannot spell it out any clearer than that. It will mean that the impact of 22 per cent on small business -

Mr R.N. Sweetman interjected.

The SPEAKER: I call the member for Ningaloo to order for the first time.

Mr R.C. KUCERA: I will not go away. Until we get this reform package through, I will continue to remind small business what the Leader of the Opposition's policies have meant to this State.

Mr C.J. Barnett interjected.

The SPEAKER: Order, Leader of the Opposition!

Mr R.C. KUCERA: Has the Leader of the Opposition finished his economic spiel? People in shopping centres are paying 22 per cent more for electricity because of the Leader of the Opposition's failed economic policies.