

SHARKS — HAZARD MITIGATION — DRUM LINES — OVERSEAS CONTRACT

990. Ms L. METTAM to the Minister for Fisheries:

I have a supplementary question. Why has the minister failed to comply with the Western Australian Jobs Act, which requires Western Australian companies to be put first, or is this an admission that his government's legislation is completely ineffective in supporting Western Australian manufacturers and companies?

Mr D.J. KELLY replied:

We have complied with all the legislative requirements. If the member for Vasse wants to ask the person responsible for the Jobs Act, she knows where she should direct that question. We are very proud of the Buy Local campaigns that we have run in WA. We all know about the Metronet railcars, 50 per cent of which will be produced here in Western Australia compared with the two per cent that the embarrassing bunch there put in place. I look forward to the member for Vasse and especially the member for Dawesville being on the zip-line being built by Western Australian workers instead of being lost somewhere in Malay. We are very proud of the Western Australian jobs that we are creating. For once, the member for Vasse should get on board and stop being so terribly negative.