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[ASSEMBLY - Tuesday, 11 September 2001] p3608b-3608b Mr John Bradshaw; Mr Kucera

PERTH DENTAL CLINIC, NAME CHANGE

- 904. Mr Bradshaw to the Minister for Health
- (1) Is the Perth Dental Clinic changing its name to the Oral Health Centre?
- (2) If yes, is this to confuse people so they do not know where to obtain dental treatment and so help reduce the waiting list?
- (3) Why can't the Government keep plain speak language so people know what the Clinic does?
- (4) What cost is involved in the name change?

Mr KUCERA replied:

- (1) No. There is however a new Oral Health Centre of WA being established adjacent to the QEII campus, as a joint University of Western Australia and Department of Health initiative, that will undertake some of the clinical work current being undertaken at the Perth Dental Hospital.
- (2) Not applicable.
- Oral health is a broader concept that relates to the health and well being of the mouth, including gums, lips and soft tissues and is not just limited to teeth as the word dental implies.
- (4) Not applicable.