

FABIO DI CIANNO, BETTING LIMITS FOR BOOKMAKERS

274. Hon BARRY HOUSE to the Minister for Racing and Gaming:

I refer to the numerous and lengthy e-mail communications from Mr Fabio Di Cianno to the Premier and the minister that were copied to all and sundry, including me.

- (1) Why did it take so long to abolish the telephone and Internet betting limits for bookmakers in Western Australia?
- (2) Is there any reason that Mr Fabio Di Cianno's request to the Premier that the minister be sacked for inaction and incompetence should not be carried out?

Hon NICK GRIFFITHS replied:

- (1) The limits have not yet been abolished. They are proposed to be abolished as at 1 July. We have carried out that process in an appropriate way, ensuring that the revenues that flow to the racing industry are not put at risk.
- (2) Yes. I would have thought that was fairly obvious. The gentleman - at least I think he is a gentleman; I do not know whether I have met him - to whom Hon Barry House referred based his assertions on inaccuracies.