

PERTH STADIUM — WESTADIUM CONTRACT — AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT

**709. Ms R. SAFFIOTI to the Minister for Sport and Recreation:**

I have a supplementary question. I again ask: did the Auditor General say, "Accordingly, I am unable to form an opinion whether those decisions" to withhold information "were reasonable and appropriate"?

**Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:**

I think I just said it out loud, member; she is not listening. On four occasions, this government made a decision not to release the information on the grounds of commercial-in-confidence. On three occasions, the Auditor General said that we met each criterion that we were being assessed against and that meant that it was reasonable decision to make. The fourth decision, which related to the payments over the course of 25 years —

**Mr D.J. Kelly** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Sit down, minister. Member for Bassendean, I call you for the first time.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members!

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** Three of the four criteria were met. On the fourth criterion, the Auditor General said that he could not form an opinion because he could not have access information that may have assisted him in forming an opinion.

**Ms R. Saffioti:** You're wrong.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** We will have to agree to disagree because the member's interpretation is different from my interpretation, which is that when we meet a majority of the criteria on a majority of the issues, I say that we have been making reasonable decisions because the Auditor General's report actually demonstrates that.