TEACHERS — WAGES AND CONDITIONS — NEGOTIATIONS

229. Mr P.J. RUNDLE to the Premier:

I have a supplementary question. Is the failure to provide teachers with fair pay and conditions indicative of an old, tired and arrogant Labor government that risks driving —

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Order, please!

Mr P.J. RUNDLE: — teachers out of WA due to an inability to survive Labor's cost-of-living crisis?

Mr R.H. COOK replied:

In terms of sequels, that is one of the longest I have ever heard!

Obviously, we reject the entire premise of the member's question. We reject absolutely the suggestion that teachers feel undervalued under our government. We know that they feel valued. We know that by continuing to negotiate with us in good faith, state school teachers will get a good wages and conditions outcome. That is why we are continuing to negotiate in good faith.