

POLICE — SOUTH WEST REGION

**713. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police:**

I refer to the article “Country cops nabbed for the city” in the *South Western Times* on 28 July 2016.

- (1) Of the 200 officers temporarily reassigned to the metropolitan area, how many are from regional Western Australia and from which regions?
- (2) Can the minister provide a timeframe for the delivery of the extra 38 officers for the south west region?
- (3) Are the 10 positions referred to by a WA Police spokesperson in the article frontline officers?
- (4) Are these positions being advertised internally or are they new recruitments?
- (5) Can the minister provide a time frame for these 10 positions?

**Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:**

On behalf of the Minister for Police, I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) No officers have been reassigned from regional WA to the metropolitan regions.
- (2) It is expected all of the additional positions will be created by March 2017.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) The positions are currently being advertised internally.
- (5) The selection process can take several weeks with time required for officers to make the necessary arrangements to move themselves and their families from their current locations.