

INSURANCE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT
(MOTOR VEHICLE CLAIMS HARVESTING) BILL 2023

46. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the minister representing the Treasurer:

I refer to the Insurance Legislation Amendment (Motor Vehicle Claims Harvesting) Bill 2023.

- (1) Can the minister absolutely guarantee that should this bill pass, no future genuine insurance claimant will be denied the opportunity, or will have their claim unfairly obstructed, in their attempt to obtain adequate compensation for injuries sustained due to the negligence of other drivers?
- (2) If yes to (1), on what basis does the Treasurer guarantee that future genuine claimants will be not be left worse off?
- (3) If no to (1), what is the Treasurer's justification for causing the bill to be introduced in its current form?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following information has been provided to me by the Treasurer.

- (1)–(3) There will be no change to the basis on which compensation is payable under the motor injury insurance scheme or a claimant's ability to pursue compensation for injuries sustained. It will remain the same. The bill seeks to curtail claims harvesting in motor vehicle injury insurance claims in Western Australia including the sale of personal details and unethical proponents prey on vulnerable Western Australians. The bill seeks to curtail the predatory practice of claims harvesting in motor vehicle injury insurance claims in Western Australia, which is estimated to cost taxpayers \$14 per vehicle premium paid.