Extract from Hansard

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POLICE VEHICLES, SAVINGS ON AFTER HOURS USE

660. Hon Barry House to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

I refer to the Government's recent decision to disallow some senior members of the Western Australian Police Force from taking Police Department vehicles home at the expiry of their shift and the Department's assertion that this move will save the Government \$1.3m per year, and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister give itemised details of the proposed \$1.3m savings?
- (2) Does every Police facility in the State have the capacity to store these vehicles after hours?
- (3) If not, can the Minister advise which Police facilities do not have that capacity and where the vehicles from each of those facilities will be stored?
- (4) As a result of this decision will any Police vehicles now be stored on non Police Department property after hours?
- (5) If so, can the Minister advise the location of those properties and the Police facility responsible for the vehicles being stored there after hours?
- What will be the total cost to the Police Department of the storage of these vehicles on non Police Department property?

Hon N.D. GRIFFITHS replied:

The Western Australia Police Service advises:

- Estimated savings to be made in operating expenses \$850k
 Estimated savings to be made in FBT \$546k
 Total estimated savings (less parking costs) \$1.3m
- 2. No.
- 3. The Police Service advises it does not have the capacity to house all of the their vehicle fleet at police premises, after hours, however, due to operational sensitivity the Police Service does not consider it appropriate to disclose the specific location where these vehicles are parked.
- 4. Refer to 3.
- 5. Refer to 3.
- 6. The estimated annual cost is \$73k.