

SCHOOL EDUCATION ACT, REGULATIONS

**148. Hon HELEN HODGSON to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education:**

- (1) Are regulations currently being drafted for the School Education Act 1999?
- (2) Has the department conducted any consultation about the drafting of these regulations with any groups prior to drafting; and, if so, with whom?
- (3) If no consultation has been conducted, will any consultation with education interest groups occur before the gazettal of the regulations; and, if so, with whom?
- (4) Have home educators or a representative body of home educators been consulted, or will they be consulted, with regard to the drafting of regulations that are applicable to home schooling?

**Hon BARRY HOUSE replied:**

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Yes. Consultation has occurred with the State School Teachers Union, the Western Australian Council of State School Organisations, associations representing senior school administrators in government schools, and representatives of the non-government education sector. The regulations will be made available for a brief period of public comment before they are finalised.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) No regulations are required to support the home education provisions of the Act.