

MINISTERIAL EXPERT COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL REFORM

328. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Minister for Electoral Affairs:

Thank you, Madam Speaker. We were informed just before coming into the chamber that that was the case. We will do our best to put those questions that we have for the Premier and the Minister for Health to the bottom of the list. As it happens, the first question of the day is to the Attorney General.

I refer the minister to his government's plan to reduce regional representation in state Parliament and to the ministerial expert committee he has commissioned to review and report on the system used for the election of members to the Western Australian Legislative Council.

- (1) Have the review and report been concluded?
- (2) Does the minister have a copy of the report?
- (3) When will the government table the report in Parliament?

Mr J.R. QUIGLEY replied:

- (1) Yes, the report has been concluded—finished by the ministerial expert panel.
- (2) Yes, I do have a copy of it. It was delivered cabinet-in-confidence to me by the chairperson of the ministerial expert panel.
- (3) The report is currently before cabinet for its consideration. As soon as that process is concluded, I undertake to have it tabled in this Parliament for community and parliamentary discussion.