

CONTAINER DEPOSIT LEGISLATION

721. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Environment:

- (1) Following the decision by the Environment Protection and Heritage Council to develop a regulatory impact statement in relation to container deposit legislation, what engagement has been held with key stakeholders in Western Australia?
- (2) What options other than CDL are being considered by the RIS?

Hon DONNA FARAGHER replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) The Environment Protection and Heritage Council resolved on 5 July 2010 to develop a consultation regulatory impact statement as the first step in determining what additional action is warranted at a national level on packaging waste impacts. The EPH standing committee is currently preparing a detailed project plan for consideration by ministers. The project plan will outline the range and timing of engagement with key stakeholders in all jurisdictions, together with the other elements of the project.
- (2) One of the key purposes of the consultation regulatory impact statement is to determine what options are relevant to consider in a national approach that addresses the impacts of packaging waste. A range of options, including deposit refund schemes and an advanced disposal fee, will be included in the consultation regulatory impact statement.