## Extract from Hansard

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## GEOGRAPHE PRIMARY SCHOOL, COVERED WALKWAYS

- 441. Hon Barry House to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education
- (1) Is the Minister aware of the need for covered walkways to link the library, administration and classrooms at the newly opened Geographe Primary School in Busselton?
- (2) As Busselton experiences very wet and cold winters, why weren't covered walkways included in the original building program?
- (3) Given the urgent need, when will these covered walkways be provided for the Geographe Primary School?

## Hon GRAHAM GIFFARD replied:

- (1) No.
- (2) Covered walkways are not normally provided in new schools. The designs of new schools incorporate verandahs around the various classroom blocks which are located a short distance apart. Covered walkways are relatively expensive to construct, do not provide shelter from wind or driving rain and, in the event of fire, add to the risk of it spreading from one classroom block to another.

(3) It is not proposed that covered walkways will be provided for the Geographe Primary School.