

WEST AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL COMMISSION

**336. Mr P.B. WATSON to the Minister for Sport and Recreation:**

I have a supplementary question. During the minister's answer she referred to cricket. We had a briefing with the Western Australian Cricket Association and it said that it has done a deal. Why is the minister trying to hide how much money will be paid to the WA Football Commission to support grassroots football once the stadium is opened?

**Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:**

I am going to pick the member up on cricket. The state government has agreed commercial terms with the Western Australian Cricket Association. It needs to finalise that contract with the stadium operator. That contract is yet to be finally executed. All I can say to the member, and he will have the opportunity in estimates next week to drill down —

**Mr P.B. Watson:** Are you turning up this year?

**The SPEAKER:** Carry on through the Chair.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** Fair crack, Mr Speaker. I would like to tell the member where I was last year for estimates. I was actually in hospital. That was why I was not in this place doing estimates. My colleague who sits next to me handled it on my behalf very well, as did the parliamentary secretary.

**The SPEAKER:** Let us move on, minister.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** No, I am not going to take pot shots from the member over there. This was his question. If he is going to interject, I am going to respond. He is wasting his own time.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** This is a good example of how things can go off track, member for Albany.

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** This state government can be very proud of the investment it has made to support football. I look forward to the member turning up to estimates and we can then have a discussion about exactly how we intend to do that going forward.