

ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE ACT — REGULATIONS

200. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

I have a supplementary question. Can the minister please provide a time line, given stakeholders are keen to make sure that they are ready for the commencement date, for the release of the regulations; and, if not today, when?

Dr A.D. BUTI replied:

There has been nonstop consultation for the last few years, from the time it was envisaged that we would have a new Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act. The regulation is a co-design process. There has been an extensive and exhaustive consultation with all stakeholders, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal—resources, farming, pastoralists and so forth. With regard to the regulations, there will be a targeted consultation before the commencement of the act on 1 July.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: That concludes question time.