

DIEBACK SPREAD — PROSECUTIONS

**798. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Environment:**

- (1) What powers do the minister and/or the Department of Environment and Conservation have to prosecute a person or company whose actions result in the spread of dieback?
- (2) Does the minister consider that these powers are sufficient?

**Hon DONNA FARAGHER replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) The Department of Environment and Conservation has a range of powers under the Conservation and Land Management Act 1984, Forest Management Regulations 1993 made under that act, the Wildlife Conservation Act 1950 and the Environmental Protection Act 1986 that may apply to a person or company whose actions result in the spread of dieback.
- (2) Yes.