

CONSTITUTIONAL AND ELECTORAL LEGISLATION  
AMENDMENT (ELECTORAL EQUALITY) BILL 2021

**740. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs:**

I refer to the Constitutional and Electoral Legislation Amendment (Electoral Equality) Bill 2021.

- (1) When did cabinet approve the drafting and printing of the bill?
- (2) Whose instructions and assistance did the Parliamentary Counsel's Office rely upon when drafting the bill?
- (3) What involvement, if any, did the Western Australian Electoral Commission have in drafting the bill?
- (4) What involvement, if any, did members of the Ministerial Expert Committee on Electoral Reform have in drafting the bill?

**Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following answer is provided on behalf of the Minister for Electoral Affairs.

- (1)–(4) The drafting of bills is a decision of cabinet and is cabinet-in-confidence.

Several members interjected.

**The PRESIDENT:** Order! Thank you, honourable members. Cross-chamber chat is discouraged.