

PERTH STADIUM — MEMBERSHIPS

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

I refer to reports that the Minister for Tourism wants approximately 10 000 seats at the new Perth Stadium quarantined for tourism purposes.

- (1) Does the minister agree that 10 000 seats should be set aside for tourism?
- (2) Will the minister confirm that there will also be stadium memberships; and what does the government believe will be the maximum number of stadium memberships?

Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:

- (1)–(2) I thank the member for his interest in the new Perth Stadium. It will be a fantastic facility for the state of Western Australia. It will be a 60 000-seat stadium for everyone in Western Australia. It will be absolutely fan first, with large seats. I have had a look at the seats. It will have 1 000 television screens and integrated transport. We have been talking about that with the Minister for Transport. There will also be food options and views across the Swan River. This is a fantastic project. It will provide a stadium. I know the member is interested in the Australian Football League and ongoing negotiations, and my answer today is that those things are being negotiated through the appropriate channels. The Minister for Tourism and the Premier have made previous comments about the number of seats that will be available in that space, and the figure of 10 000 seats has been mentioned. However, as I said, these things are still being negotiated by the most appropriate people to do that. It is ongoing.