

VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING

662. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Premier:

I have a supplementary question. Thank you, Premier. I appreciate that. I am asking as a result of not having that clarification, whether the Premier concedes that without resolution of the matter, he is asking the Parliament to pass legislation that would potentially discriminate against regional and remote constituents being able to access that legislation. That is the reason this question is so important to us.

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

Leader of the Nationals WA, we want to work cooperatively, so if there is an issue, obviously we will get the best advice. I want to make sure that regional people will receive the opportunities that will be provided by this legislation in the same way that city people will. It is an extreme situation, obviously, when someone is terminally ill and in pain and I want to make sure that it is fair for everyone across the state. If there are issues, we want to work to ensure that those issues are resolved. But I am afraid I do not have a specific answer to the question before me today.