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ROAD SAFETY, CROSSWALK ATTENDANTS

118. Hon HELEN HODGSON to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police:

- (1) Of the \$55m the Government is putting into road safety projects,
 - (a) will any amount be used to retain crosswalk attendants;
 - (b) will any amount be used for insurance of the Class B crosswalk attendants and students?
- When schools were invited to provide extra information, what steps did the Education Department take to confirm the reported usage of crosswalks?
- (3) Did the department consider the number of children residing in proximity to the crosswalk in assessing the usage of the crosswalks?
- (4) Did the Premier say on 27 August this year that if one life could be saved, it would be worth every cent?

Hon PETER FOSS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Some \$55m relating to black spot funding is provided to Main Roads WA. Crosswalk attendants will not be funded from black spot funding.
- (2) No additional information has been provided to the Police Service at this time. Crosswalk usage is confirmed prior to making any decision relating to traffic wardens.
- (3) Surveys are conducted to determine the actual usage of the children's crossing. When children in proximity to a crossing it does not necessarily mean that they will use the service.
- (4) Yes.