

AVONLINK SERVICE — DISCONTINUANCE

Petition

MS M.J. DAVIES (Central Wheatbelt — Parliamentary Secretary) [12.02 pm]: I have a petition from 2 673 petitioners about the *AvonLink* requesting the following —

To the Honourable Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned, respectfully object to the cancellation of the Avonlink train service, the State's first dedicated, long-distance commuter train linking the Avon Valley to the Perth metropolitan area. We believe the decision is short-sighted and will increase traffic on already dangerous roads and leave commuters and visitors without a safe public transport option between the Avon Valley and the Perth metropolitan area.

Now we ask the Legislative Assembly to request the Minister for Transport continue to provide a regular and affordable train service with scheduling that meets the needs of the community, preferably linked to the Transperth Smartrider electronic ticketing system for passenger convenience.

[See petition 72.]

Petition

MR R.S. LOVE (Moore) [12.03 pm]: I have a petition from 906 petitioners about the *AvonLink*. I acknowledge the people from Toodyay who are here today to see its tabling. The petition states —

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