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QUESTIONS

No. 50

Wednesday, April 2 2003

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- 402. Hon Peter Foss to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 405. Hon Peter Foss to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 406. Hon Simon O'Brien to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Disability Services
- 412. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

- 413. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- 414. Hon George Cash to the Minister for the Midwest, Wheatbelt and Great Southern
- 415. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Housing and Works
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- 425. Hon George Cash to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Public Sector Management
- 426. Hon George Cash to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Science
- 427. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Deputy Premier
- 428. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for Energy
- 429. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- 430. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Treasurer
- 431. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Attorney General
- 432. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Consumer and Employment Protection
- 433. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs
- 434. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Justice and Legal Affairs
- 435. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 436. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education and Training
- 437. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs

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- 438. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 439. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 440. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Small Business
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- 442. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Tourism
- 443. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Community Development, Women's Interests, Seniors and Youth
- 444. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts
- 445. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Disability Services
- 446. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

Notice Given Thursday, March 6 2003

- 462. Hon Norman Moore to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Deputy Premier
- 463. Hon Norman Moore to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for Energy
- 465. Hon Norman Moore to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Treasurer
- 473. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

Notice Given Tuesday, March 11 2003

- 482. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 483. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
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- 486. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- 491. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Treasurer
- 492. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 493. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

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- 524. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts
- 525. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Disability Services
- 526. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- 527. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 529. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- 530. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- 531. Hon Christine Sharp to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Notice Given Wednesday, March 12 2003

- 533. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 535. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
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- 548. Hon George Cash to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- 549. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
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- 552. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

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- 553. Hon Dee Margetts to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Treasurer
- 554. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Notice Given Wednesday, March 19 2003

- 556. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 557. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

Notice Given Thursday, March 20 2003

- 558. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development
- 562. Hon Norman Moore to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- 563. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 564. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
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- 585. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Consumer and Employment Protection

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- 586. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 587. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- 588. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
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- 590. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- 591. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 592. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- 593. Hon George Cash to the Minister for the Midwest, Wheatbelt and Great Southern
- 594. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Housing and Works
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- 604. Hon George Cash to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Public Sector Management
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- 620. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts
- 621. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Disability Services
- 622. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- 623. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 624. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Justice and Legal Affairs
- 625. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- 626. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 627. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- 628. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 629. Hon Barry House to the Minister for Government Enterprises
- 630. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- 631. Hon George Cash to the Minister for the Midwest, Wheatbelt and Great Southern
- 632. Hon George Cash to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Attorney General

QUESTIONS ASKED TODAY

Notice given

633. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Justice and Legal Affairs

Regarding the trial of the Biometric Identification System in prisons in Western Australia, I ask the Minister -

- (1) Has the Department for Justice received independent research findings that attest to the effectiveness of the BIS in reducing drug trafficking and prison escapes?
- (2) If no to (1), what source is the Department using to justify trialling this new system in Western Australia?
- (3) Is there evidence to suggest that there has been an increase in prisoners using false identification escaping from maximum security prisons in Western Australia in recent years?
- (4) If no to (4), what is the most common form of escape from maximum security prisons?
- (5) How are prisoners without ID able to get through current security?

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- (6) Is there evidence to date to suggest that any Prison Visitors have entered into a maximum or medium security setting with false ID?
- (7) If yes to (6), how many have done so and how were they known to be using false ID?
- (8) How will the effectiveness of the BIS be measured?
- (9) If the BIS does not perform as expected, will the Department continue its usage?
- (10) What security measures will be taken to eliminate staff as a potential source of drugs to prisoners?
- 634. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development
- (1) Who are the members of the newly appointed Animal Welfare Unit?
- (2) For each member of the unit, please detail the expertise and/or experience that led to his/her appointment on this unit?
- (3) What was the selection process for this unit?
- (4) Is the Animal Welfare Unit's work proceeding on schedule to enable the new *Animal Welfare Act* to be proclaimed in April 2003?

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635. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development

Which Western Australian local governments have local laws governing the control and welfare of cats?

636. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development

Further to question without notice No. 750 of March 20 2003, regarding applications to convert leases over known uranium deposits into mining tenements -

- (1) When were these applications made?
- (2) What is the location of the leases that are subject to these applications?
- 637. Hon Norman Moore to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- (1) Will the Premier provide, in respect to all Ministers, details of all Ministerial air charter flights engaged in since February 2001, and in particular the -
 - (a) date of each flight;
 - (b) destination and duration of each flight;
 - (c) type of aircraft used for each flight;
 - (d) names of passengers on each flight; and
 - (e) cost to the Government of each flight?
- (2) If not, why not?

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Clerk of the Legislative Council