

BUS SERVICE — ARMADALE TO COCKBURN CENTRAL

4416. Dr A.D. Buti to the Minister for Transport

I refer to the trial bus service from Armadale to Cockburn Central, and ask:

- (a) what are the patronage figures for each day since the trial started for the:
 - (i) morning peak period;
 - (ii) non-peak period; and
 - (iii) afternoon peak period;
- (b) what are the average patronage figures for the:
 - (i) morning peak period;
 - (ii) non-peak period; and
 - (iii) afternoon peak period;
- (c) will the trial continue for longer than the planned three months; and
 - (i) if not, why not;
- (d) why did the trial not include weekends; and
 - (i) is the Minister planning to extend the trial to weekends;
 - (ii) if not, why not; and
 - (iii) if yes, when; and
- (e) when will a decision be made as to whether the bus service becomes permanent?

Mr T.R. BUSWELL replied:

- (a)-(e) The trial has not ended and all information will be made public after completion. A decision on permanency of the route will be made after analysis of the trial is complete.