

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

**891. Dr A.D. BUTI to the Minister for Police:**

I have a supplementary question. The minister said in December 2013 that she had excluded certain familial relationships. Last Thursday, the minister said that she had expanded the definition of familial relationships. If the minister expanded the definition, when did she expand it?

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY replied:**

I was saying that there was a spike in 2012–13 because there was an expanded definition of domestic violence.

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Members!

**Dr A.D. Buti** interjected.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** If the member wants to answer his own question, answer it. I am giving my answer.

**Mr W.J. Johnston:** Don't tell lies.

*Withdrawal of Remark*

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Cannington, withdraw that, please.

**Mr W.J. JOHNSTON:** Mr Speaker, I said, "Don't tell lies."

**The SPEAKER:** Please withdraw that.

**Mr W.J. JOHNSTON:** All right, do tell lies.

**The SPEAKER:** Please withdraw that!

**Mr W.J. JOHNSTON:** I did. The opposite of "don't tell lies" is "do tell lies".

**The SPEAKER:** Please do not add anything; just withdraw it! Thank you.

**Mr W.J. JOHNSTON:** I withdraw.

*Questions without Notice Resumed*

Several members interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** I do not want any more noise. I do not want any comment. If you withdraw something, you withdraw it, and then it is over.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** Thank you, Mr Speaker. I will go back and get a specific time line of exactly when these changes were made, because we have been in a process that predates my appointment as Minister for Police.

**Dr A.D. Buti** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Armadale! Can you just let the minister answer.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** Thank you, Mr Speaker. This is a really important issue and I think we need to —

Several members interjected.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** Perhaps it would be appropriate if I could answer the question. I will endeavour to go back through the time line. The key performance indicators are for a wide range of areas that measure police performance —

**Dr A.D. Buti** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Armadale, I call you to order for the first time. I want a quick answer.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** The KPIs for —

**Dr A.D. Buti** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Armadale!

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** Since 2011, which predates my appointment as police minister, police have been engaged in a process of looking at all their KPIs and the way that they measure their performance and the way that they measure crime.

**Dr A.D. Buti** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Armadale, I call you to order for the second time.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** Thank you, Mr Speaker. I said in the context of my comments on domestic violence that the definition of domestic violence had changed —

**Mr W.J. Johnston** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Cannington!

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** What I will —

**Mrs M.H. Roberts** interjected.

**The SPEAKER:** Member for Midland, I call you to order for the first time. I am trying to bring this to a conclusion.

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** I will go back through the time line and get for the member the specific times when those changes occurred and furnish the house with that information.