

LIBRARIES — INTERLIBRARY LOAN SERVICE

646. Mr A. KRSTICEVIC to the Minister for Local Government:

I have a supplementary question. I am not sure that answered the question. Will the minister confirm that the cuts to the interlibrary loan service will put more financial pressure on local governments to fund the purchase of top-up books, since councils, not the state government, fund 88 per cent of WA public library costs?

Mr D.A. TEMPLEMAN replied:

I thank the member for the supplementary question. I am very confident that local governments, as one of the primary providers of library services throughout the state, will continue to deliver quality services to their populations, which will include access to the library resources that they seek, and that that will be done in an efficient and economically viable manner.

The SPEAKER: That is the end of question time.