

KALEEYA HOSPITAL

401. Ms S.F. McGURK to the Minister for Health:

I refer to Kaleeya Hospital in East Fremantle, which provides maternity and elective surgery services.

- (1) Is it true that the department is in discussions with a private operator for the sale of the hospital?
- (2) If yes to (1), why has the government not informed the people of Fremantle that it intends to sell the hospital?

Dr K.D. HAMES replied:

- (1)–(2) Under the Labor Party–initiated Reid review, Kaleeya Hospital was scheduled to close on the opening of Fiona Stanley Hospital. That position has not changed and I am not aware of any negotiations being undertaken at this time. I assume that when Fiona Stanley Hospital opens that that is likely to occur, although the government has not yet made that decision and will look at what other options are available for not only maximising the best use of that hospital, but also the configuration of hospitals in that region.