

MEDICAL CANNABIS — COMPASSIONATE-USE

**1341. Hon SOPHIA MOERMOND to the minister representing the Minister for Police:**

I refer to the New South Wales Department of Communities and Justice's medicinal cannabis compassionate-use scheme, where those registered with the justice department under the scheme and suffering a terminal illness can be compassionately allowed to possess certain amounts of illegal cannabis.

- (1) Does the Attorney General agree that terminally ill patients should not be charged when found with a small amount of cannabis?
- (2) Will the government consider introducing such a scheme in Western Australia?

**Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following information has been provided to me by the Minister for Police. The honourable member referred to the Attorney General a few times; perhaps if she wants to ask the Attorney General a question, she might ask the question of the Attorney General. This answer has been provided by the Minister for Police.

It is not a priority of the Cook Labor to introduce a similar scheme in Western Australia as there are existing laws in place regarding cannabis possession and use.