

PUBLIC TRANSPORT — BUS SERVICES — SOUTH WEST REGION

1928. Hon Adele Farina to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to bus services in the South West and ask, in each 2012–13 and 2013–14, how many new bus services were established and how many bus services were cut in:

- (a) Bunbury;
- (b) Busselton; and
- (c) the South West region?

Hon Jim Chown replied:

- (a) Bunbury regional town bus services:

In 2012–13, no new bus services were established and no bus services were cut, however some existing services were extended. Overall, the number of service kilometres operated in 2012–13 increased by 108 701 kilometres or 10.8 per cent.

In 2013–14, no new bus services were established and no bus services were cut, however there were a number of route modifications in particular to school bus services, to cater for the changing demographics. In addition, some services received frequency improvements with additional trips being operated. Overall, the number of service kilometres operated in 2013–14 increased by 175 962 kilometres or 15.8 per cent.

- (b) Busselton regional town bus services:

No new bus services were established and no bus services were cut in 2012–13 and in 2013–14, however there were a number of route modifications and extensions in particular to school bus services, to cater for changing demographics. Overall, the number of service kilometres operated in 2012–13 increased by 8 258 kilometres or 3.1 per cent and in 2013–14, the number of service kilometres operated increased by 39 559 kilometres or 14.5 per cent.

- (c) Regional town bus services operated in the South West region:

No new bus services were established and no bus services were cut in 2012–13 and 2013–14, however there were a number of route modifications, in particular to school bus services, to cater for changing demographics. Overall, the number of service kilometres operated in 2012–13 increased by 119 774 kilometres or 8.6 per cent and in 2013–14 the number of service kilometres operated increased by 220 689 kilometres or 14.5 per cent.