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FREMANTLE HOSPITAL, NURSES, COMMUTED ON-CALL ALLOWANCES

- 2519. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- (1) Is there an arrangement to pay commuted on-call allowances to nurses at Fremantle Hospital?
- (2) If so, how many Fremantle Hospital nurses receive this payment?
- (3) Which hospitals have arranged to commute on-call allowances for senior nurses?
- (4) Does the Government support all public hospitals in Western Australia commuting all-call or availability allowances for its nursing staff?
- (5) Does the on-call allowance come from the same revenue stream as standard salaries?
- (6) If not, from what source is it drawn?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

- 1. No.
- 2. Not applicable.
- 3. Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital and Osborne Park Hospital.
- 4. The current awards and agreements provide for salaries and conditions of employment for nurses in all locations in the public health system. Commuted allowances may be appropriate depending on the operational requirements of the facility.
- 5. Yes.

6. Not applicable.