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## CLOSING THE GAP PROGRAMS

## 1297. Hon SOPHIA MOERMOND to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

I refer to the ongoing discussion in the media, following the failure of the Voice to Parliament campaign, about the poor performance of Closing the Gap programs across Australia.

- (1) What are the main Closing the Gap programs of the Western Australian government?
- (2) How is the government measuring the performance of these?
- (3) Is the government planning any substantive reviews of Closing the Gap programs in light of this discussion in the media?

## Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

(1) The *Closing the Gap implementation plan 2023–25* outlines the strategic priorities and activities of the WA government. The plan can be accessed from the WA government's website, and I table a copy of that plan.

[See paper <u>2729</u>.]

- (2) Under the National Agreement on Closing the Gap, all parties are required to publicly report information on their progress on the implementation of the national agreement through annual reports.
- (3) The government's priorities are not determined by discussions in the media.