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Mr Tom Stephens; Hon Murray Criddle

MAIN ROADS WA, AUTO CARE TOWING SERVICE CONTRACT

67. Hon TOM STEPHENS to the Minister for Transport:

- (1) Can the minister confirm that Auto Care Towing Service has recently been awarded towing contracts by Main Roads Western Australia?
- (2) If yes, what are the terms of those contracts?
- (3) Did Main Roads perform police checks on the principals of that company who own the business?
- (4) If yes, what was the outcome of those checks?
- (5) If not, why not?

Hon M.J. CRIDDLE replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Yes. Contract No 03/00 was awarded on 24 July 2000.
- (2) To remove broken down or abandoned vehicles from the Graham Farmer Freeway tunnel and its approaches. The contract is for a fixed fee for each removal, and is for 12 months with options for two 12-month extensions.
- (3)-(5) Auto Care and its tow truck operators are licensed to operate tow trucks under the provisions of the tow truck regulations of 1975. This includes police checks being carried out to ensure individuals are fit and proper persons to perform this work.