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BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY — SUPPLY CHAIN

1168. Hon SOPHIA MOERMOND to the Minister for Commerce:

I refer to the ongoing supply chain crisis in the construction industry in Western Australia.

- (1) Is the minister aware of the financial challenges faced by small and medium-sized building companies and the families for whom they are building homes?
- (2) Has the minister seen and heard media reports that some builders are being forced to sell family assets to keep trading?
- (3) Has the minister met with the Home Builders Action Group; and, if yes, can the minister inform the house of the outcome of those discussions?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

(1)–(3) I do indeed acknowledge the challenges faced by the building and construction industry and people building their new homes. I meet with a range of industry stakeholders on a regular basis. I have met with the Home Builders Action Group, I have asked the agency to meet with it as well, and I have committed to the Home Builders Action Group to continue to engage with it.