

CORONAVIRUS — INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS

85. Dr D.J. HONEY to the Premier:

I have a supplementary question. Given that the Premier has complete control over vaccination requirements, can he please explain and table the medical advice that differentiates the quarantine requirements for an unvaccinated Western Australian returning from overseas versus someone returning from interstate?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

I just explained the situation to the Leader of the Liberal Party. I note that yesterday in the debate, the Leader of the Liberal Party repeatedly said that he would not pursue these issues on behalf of the anti-vaxxers. He repeatedly said that he would not do that. We have seen an ongoing campaign from him to appeal to the anti-vax movement, because he constantly raises these issues on its behalf. Around 99 per cent of Western Australians have had their first dose, about 97 per cent are double dosed and around 60 per cent have had their third dose, because the government did difficult things and took tough decisions. All the Leader of the Liberal Party has done the whole way along is to whine, whinge and complain, as he has tried to appeal to that group. Here he is again. He said yesterday that he would not do it, but here he is asking these questions again today. He needs to get new staff. He needs to get people who have some brains. I do not understand what the Nationals and Liberals are trying to do or where they are trying to go. The state is doing well because the state government was prepared to do difficult things. All the Leader of the Liberal Party has done over the course of the last two years is to undermine, whinge and whine the whole way through, and he has not stopped. Did he not see what happened in March last year because of the way he acted? He keeps doing it! The public wants the government to lead. All he does is to undermine us every step of the way, no matter what we do.

I do not understand you. I was here with Richard Court and I was here with Colin Barnett. They were completely different from you. We disagreed on many things, but they were formidable, sensible and rational—all qualities that I cannot ascribe to you.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: That is the end of question time.