

KWINANA FREEWAY ON-RAMPS — LINE MARKINGS

1141. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the trial of new line markings on Kwinana Freeway on-ramps, and ask:

- (a) under the *Road Traffic Act 1974*, are vehicles using the selected northbound on-ramps changing lanes or merging;
- (b) who is liable in the event of an accident;
- (c) what road rule will be applicable to on-ramp roads with the new line markings;
- (d) what education campaign is being run to advise people of changes to the rules that apply;
- (e) what is the cost of the education campaign; and
- (f) what criteria will be used to assess whether the trial is a success?

Hon Jim Chown replied:

- (a) Changing Lanes.
- (b) The driver using the on-ramp.
- (c) WA Road Traffic Code 2000 regulation 126.
- (d) The Kwinana Freeway on-ramp line marking trial is for six weeks. Information about the trial, including the rules for vehicles moving from the on-ramps to the freeway lanes, is provided on Main Roads' website. Motorists are alerted to the changed road conditions with signs saying "Modified Merge Layout".
- (e) The cost of the signs is \$2 190.
- (f) A video survey was undertaken prior to the new line markings being installed. Another video survey will be undertaken after the line markings have been in place for four weeks. The success of the trial will be determined if the video survey shows improved driver behaviour. Road user comments via telephone and email will also be used to assess the success of the trial.