

CORONAVIRUS — CONTACT TRACING SYSTEM AUDIT

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

I have a supplementary question. Premier, yes or no: can the public have any faith that their personal information will be properly protected by the Premier's government?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

The answer to that is that I now have what Health provided the Auditor General —

The Department and HSS accepts all recommendations and note the report highlights many historic items that have largely been previously addressed or were issues where existing controls were strengthened. No breach of privacy has occurred in relation to the system, continuous data cleansing and quality checking is undertaken ...

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Order, please. The Premier is giving the answer.

Mr M. McGOWAN: I will read it out again. This is what the Department of Health has advised, and it apparently advised the Auditor General —

The Department and HSS accepts all recommendations and note the report highlights many historic items that have largely been previously addressed or were issues where existing controls were strengthened. No breach of privacy has occurred in relation to the system, continuous data cleansing and quality checking is undertaken, no inaccuracies in case status impacting management were found and no inappropriate use of the system was recorded. This demonstrates the robustness of PHOCUS and that the data is well managed and secure.

That is what the Department of Health advised the Auditor General and I am totally comfortable that that is correct. The member was sniping from the sidelines while this was going on. We put in place things that worked and saved countless lives and jobs in Western Australia. Now the member continues to snipe and undermine.