LAMBERT-NORTH GREENBUSHES AND NORTH GREENBUSHES-BUNBURY RAILWAY LINES

Petition

MR P.D. OMODEI (Warren-Blackwood - Deputy Leader of the Opposition) [5.25 pm]: I present the following petition on the closure of the Lambert to North Greenbushes railway line and the suspension of rail movements between North Greenbushes and Bunbury. The petition is in the following terms -

To the Honourable the Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned, say that we are disappointed with the decision to close the Lambert to North Greenbushes railway line and to suspend rail movements on the North Greenbushes to Bunbury railway line. We also wish to express serious concern regarding the subsequent need for a large number of heavy haulage trucks to transport woodchips from Lambert to Bunbury and Lambert to Greenbushes along the South West Highway.

The DEPUTY SPEAKER: Order, members! We are trying to hear petitions. I would like you to give some consideration to Hansard so that they can hear the member with the call. I am sorry, member for Warren-Blackwood, please continue.

Mr P.D. OMODEI: Thank you, Madam Deputy Speaker. The petition continues -

Now we ask that the Legislative Assembly direct the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure to provide greater clarity for concerned road users in the South West by clearly stating the Government's intention in regards to the future of the Lambert to North Greenbushes railway line and the North Greenbushes to Bunbury railway line.

Your petitioners therefore humbly pray that you will give this matter earnest consideration and your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

The petition bears 58 signatures and I certify that it conforms to the standing orders of the Legislative Assembly.

[See petition 18.]