Extract from Hansard

[ASSEMBLY — Wednesday, 15 August 2012] p5074d-5075a Mr Mick Murray; Mr Terry Waldron

REGIONAL RACING CARNIVALS — PROMOTIONAL FUNDING

8440. Mr M.P. Murray to the Minister for Racing and Gaming

In respect to the promotional funding that has now been made available to the Kalgoorlie Round and Bunbury and Broome racing carnivals, I ask:

- (a) what is the exact amount of promotional monies that has been allocated to each carnival;
- (b) will promotional funding be made available to the Pinjarra and Albany racing carnivals;
- (c) over three years, will there be an increase in the money allocated as marketing costs increase, and if yes, what percentage is being allowed for;
- (d) are there any future plans to promote Harness Racing in the same or similar fashion as the recent promotional funding given to Kalgoorlie, Bunbury and Broome racing carnivals, and if so, what will be the amount of funding provided?

Mr T.K. WALDRON replied:

- (a) \$250,000 per annum to each event for the next 3 years.
- (b) This initiative provides for the 3 prime country racing carnivals on the WA calendar—Kalgoorlie, Bunbury and Broome.
- (c) The funding is set for 3 years.
- (d) Any further racing event funding requests will be considered by Tourism WA if and when an application is received. Racing and Wagering WA will continue to promote all industry events as they currently do.