

ABORIGINAL HERITAGE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT AND REPEAL BILL 2023 —
CONSULTATION

1209. Hon WILSON TUCKER to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

I apologise in advance if this has already been answered as part of the repeal bill debate. Can the minister please provide a list of stakeholders consulted with during the drafting of the Aboriginal Heritage Legislation Amendment and Repeal Bill 2023?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

Targeted amendments to the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 that are included in this bill were drawn from feedback over years of consultation about reforms to the legislation and regulations that protect and manage Aboriginal heritage in Western Australia.

The following organisations have been specifically consulted and directly engaged by the government on this bill, including proposed amendments to the bill, draft regulations and other policy documents that will support the legislation: the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Council; the Amalgamated Prospectors and Leaseholders Association of Western Australia; the Association of Mining and Exploration Companies; Cement Concrete and Aggregates Australia; the Chamber of Minerals and Energy WA; the Department of Finance, in consultation with the Department of Education; the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development; the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's environmental protection services; the Kimberley Land Council; Main Roads Western Australia; the National Native Title Council; Nyamba Buru Yawuru; the Pastoralists and Graziers Association; the Western Australian division of the Property Council of Australia; the State Administrative Tribunal; Tjiwarl Aboriginal Corporation; the Western Australian division of the Urban Development Institute of Australia; the Western Australian Farmers Federation; the Water Corporation; the Whadjuk Aboriginal Corporation; the Western Australian Local Government Association; the Yamatji Marlpa Aboriginal Corporation; and the Yindjibarndi Ngurra Aboriginal Corporation.