

TRANSPERTH — CARBON TAX

**1059. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to question without notice 1020.

- (1) Why has the government not been able to make a decision on the timing and impact of the carbon tax removal on the fare structure in the two months since it was repealed?
- (2) Considering there was a specific increase in Transperth fares due to the carbon tax, why are fares not simply being reduced by the same amount?
- (3) Once the government has determined what the reduction in fares will be, will SmartRider users be reimbursed back to 1 July 2014?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?

**Hon JIM CHOWN replied:**

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

- (1)–(4) The government is still considering options to remove the effect of the carbon tax on Transperth public transport fares. This consideration includes the implementation date for the new fare structure, the specific value and the mechanism to return some value to customers.