

APPRENTICESHIP ORGANISATIONS — COMMONWEALTH FUNDING

603. Hon MARTIN PRITCHARD to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development:

I refer to changes announced by the commonwealth government to the funding of apprenticeship bodies such as WA ApprentiCentres and Group Training Australia.

- (1) As a result of the changes to the funding of group training, how many group training organisations in WA will be impacted?
- (2) Will the state government change the funding of existing WA group training organisations as a result of the commonwealth changes; and, if so, by how much and which Group Training organisations will be impacted?
- (3) As the successful WA tenderer for commonwealth funding of group training, will CCI Learning Solutions receive state funding; and, if so, by how much per annum?

Hon PETER COLLIER replied:

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

- (1)–(2) There are 25 Western Australian-based group training organisations currently in receipt of joint state – commonwealth group training funding. The state government's contribution to the group training funding program will remain at \$2.95 million in 2015–16.
- (3) Funding of the Australian Apprenticeship Support Network is not related to funding of group training organisations. The Chamber of Commerce and Industry currently receives state funding as one of 25 group training organisations. It will continue to be eligible to apply for ongoing state group training funding in 2015–16.