

RECREATIONAL FISHING — BIRD ENTANGLEMENTS

Petition

MR C.J. TALLENTIRE (Thornlie) [9.01 am]: I have a petition that has been certified as conforming with the standing orders of the Assembly. The petition has 330 signatures, and reads —

Stop the cruel entanglements with fishhooks and fishing lines killing our Pelicans, Cormorants, Darters, Swans and other waterbirds.

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

We, the undersigned, want our beautiful Pelicans, Cormorants, Darters, Swans and other waterbirds to live their lives free of cruel and frequently lethal entanglements with fishhooks and fishing lines used by recreational fishers.

Now we ask the Legislative Assembly to urge the State Government to use its powers to require that action be taken to stop the cruel entanglements with fishhooks and fishing lines.

I note that this follows a petition in similar terms, tabled by the member for Cockburn, bearing 440 signatures.

[See petition 37.]