

WESTERN AUSTRALIA POLICE—DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING — LIVESTOCK

250. Hon RICK MAZZA to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to the minister's response to part (3) of my question without notice 225 yesterday in which he advised that livestock compliance unit inspectors assist Western Australia Police with livestock crime investigations and maintain a presence at points of livestock aggregation in Western Australia to deter stock theft and encourage industry compliance with stock identification and movement legislation. How many investigations has the livestock compliance unit referred to WA Police for each of the years 2011 to 2014?

Hon KEN BASTON replied:

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

The livestock compliance unit has referred three matters relating to a stock theft investigation to WA Police: one in 2012, one in 2014 and one in 2015. WA Police have carriage of stock theft investigations and the LCU assists WA Police with investigations when requested.