

**HON MARK MCGOWAN AND HON JIM CHOWN**

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**HON SIMON O'BRIEN (South Metropolitan)** [5.31 pm]: In a spirit of bipartisanship, I would like to thank Hon Darren West for his point of clarification. I think I speak for all of us on this side when I say that we are delighted to decline his purported offer that we should have Mark McGowan.

**Hon Ken Travers:** I thought you were declining Jim Chown!

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN:** No. We love Jim. We will keep Jim.

**Hon Ken Travers:** You know the rules about misleading the house, don't you?

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN:** The thought that members opposite might have lost him has clearly upset them! So they can keep Mark McGowan, and good luck to them! And now, Mr President, I intend to do something that will make me popular on all sides of the house, and sit down.

*House adjourned at 5.32 pm*

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