

TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE — FUNDING

720. Hon SUE ELLERY to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:

I ask this question on behalf of Hon Ken Travers who is out of the chamber on urgent parliamentary business.

How much of the cost of each of the following projects is funded by borrowings —

- (a) the \$240 million extension of the railway line to Butler;
- (b) \$50 million on new car bays on Joondalup and Mandurah rail lines; and
- (c) \$164 million for new railcars?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

I thank the honourable member for notice of the question.

The projects outlined are funded via borrowings, which the Liberal–National government has the capacity to repay, as is evidenced by the state's AAA credit rating.