

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AMALGAMATIONS — COMMENTS BY MINISTER FOR LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT AND PREMIER

**259. Mr P. PAPALIA to the Minister for Local Government:**

As a supplementary question, did the minister threaten to force amalgamations?

**Mr G.M. CASTRILLI replied:**

I have answered that question. WALGA is on board, the industry has moved on and everybody has moved on. It is a totally voluntary process.