

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS (PARKING STATIONS) BY-LAW 1997 — PARKING INFRINGEMENTS

829. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:

- (1) Has the Public Transport Authority received legal advice that confirms parking infringements quoting by-law 80 are valid?
- (2) Has the Public Transport Authority received legal advice that confirms parking infringements that do not contain the exact wording outlined in schedule 2, form 1 of the Government Railways (Parking Stations) By-law 1997 are valid?
- (3) Has the Public Transport Authority instructed its authorised officers to stop issuing parking infringements using the form that refers to by-law 80?
- (4) Why has the information for people who require time to pay or have good reason to request the authority to withdraw the infringement notice been removed from the infringement notice itself?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

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

- (1) The Public Transport Authority has received legal advice that supports the PTA's position that a reference to by-law 80 does not render the infringement notice invalid.
- (2) This question is broad; it is not limited to just a change between references to by-law 80 and by-law 1997, so the PTA is unable to provide a direct response to the question as posed.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) This information is not required to be included in the prescribed form of infringement notice. I refer the member to section 53A(3) of the Government Railways Act 1904 and schedule 2, form 1 of the Government Railways (Parking Stations) By-law 1997, with which I am sure the member is familiar.