

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDING — PURCHASE OF STOCK

506. Mr P. PAPALIA to the Minister for Local Government:

How then does the minister explain the advice that I have received from the Western Australian Local Government Association that there is no funding for the purchase of new library stock?

Mr G.M. CASTRILLI replied:

It is very interesting because now I can work out a good pattern of where WALGA is at. My understanding is that the funding is in the arts budget.

Mr P. Papalia: The State Library of Western Australia told WALGA it was not.

Mr G.M. CASTRILLI: I will confirm that and get back to the member.