

DEFENCE WEST — CONTRACTS FUNDING

2200. Mr S.K. L'Estrange to the Minister for Tourism; Racing and Gaming; Small Business; Defence Issues; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:

- (1) Can the Minister please confirm that \$3.45 million in funding allocated to the Office of Defence West is the same funding that has been brought forward to pursue defence contracts this financial year?
- (2) If no to (1), can the Minister please outline what funding has been brought forward?

**Mr P. Papalia replied:**

- (1)–(2) An additional \$320,000 was allocated in the 2017/18 budget over three years for the promotion and representation of Defence West at defence industry trade shows/conferences. The balance of the funding for Defence West is the same funding as previously allocated for defence industry activities.