

RSPCA — PREMIER'S COMMENTS

Question without Notice 502 — Supplementary Information

HON KEN BASTON (Mining and Pastoral — Minister for Agriculture and Food) [5.05 pm]: Last Thursday Hon Lynn MacLaren asked question without notice 502. In my answer I advised the member that I would try to find out why there has been only one successful prosecution since the beginning of the financial year in 2013. I now have the information to provide.

Of all the investigations undertaken by the Department of Agriculture and Food Western Australia, not all resulted in prosecutions. On advice from the State Solicitor's Office, DAFWA has raised three prosecutions since the beginning of the financial year 2013. To date, one has been successful, one has been unsuccessful, and one has been discontinued.