

LANDGATE — COMMERCIALISATION

491. Mrs L.M. HARVEY to the Minister for Lands:

Can the minister explain why a company would pay \$650 million to the government for the commercialisation of Landgate if it is not selling something of value or privatising some aspect of Landgate? What exactly will the new contract enable the new owner to make a profit from?

Ms R. SAFFIOTI replied:

Again, the member for Scarborough put something in the preamble that is false. She put a number to a potential commercialisation. That is what she has done. I am not going to justify her ridiculous preambles with answers on this issue. That preamble again is false and incorrect. If the member does not know the difference between —

Mrs L.M. Harvey: It is in your press release.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: If the member does not know the difference between commercialisation and privatisation, I am sorry.

Dr M.D. Nahan: What is it?

The SPEAKER: Leader of the Opposition!

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: If the member does not know the difference between commercialisation and privatisation, I am sorry.

Dr M.D. Nahan: There is none.

The SPEAKER: Leader of the Opposition!

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: You ask a question.

Dr M.D. Nahan: What is the difference?

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: The Leader of the Opposition should stand up and ask a question on this matter. His first question was on bunting!

Several members interjected.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: He walked in and his first question of the day was about bunting and then he chooses —

Dr M.D. Nahan: It is about WA jobs, or don't you care?

The SPEAKER: Leader of the Opposition! Look, I care. I gave you four warnings. I call you to order for the first time. Minister, get to the point.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: Now the Leader of the Opposition is worried about our workers. He said WA workers were not going to do a good job on the bridge. He said that the bridge would be inferior because it was being built in WA. That is what the Leader of the Opposition said.

As I said, if the member for Scarborough wants to learn about commercialisation versus privatisation, she can. I will give the member a hint. Privatisation is when we sell an asset.

Mr D.C. Nalder: What are you doing? You are not selling anything?

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: We are not selling an asset. We are not selling Landgate. No.

Several members interjected.

Mr S.K. L'Estrange: What are they buying?

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: We are not selling an asset.

The SPEAKER: Members! Minister, through the Chair, please.

Ms R. SAFFIOTI: We are not selling an asset. Again, I am not sure in what language I need to say that. I look forward to the supplementary question.