

BUS DRIVERS — TRANSDEV WA

**753. Mrs L.M. HARVEY to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the bus drivers' strike today. Given that the dispute at Transdev has been ongoing for eight months, culminating in strike action today that affected thousands of commuters, what actions did the minister take to prevent the Transport Workers' Union of Australia strike this morning?

**Ms R. SAFFIOTI replied:**

As the member would know, the dispute is between Transdev, a company that runs the bus services for particular districts, and the TWU. My office was alerted to the proposed action and there were conversations, but an agreement could not be reached by the appropriate time. I do not like when action is undertaken and I did not like the disruption that occurred this morning, but the disruption was not as bad as predicted. I congratulate everyone at Transperth for the work they did to manage the scenario this morning and I also acknowledge the TWU in its role in advocating for its workforce.