

POTATO MARKETING CORPORATION — LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

239. Hon COLIN HOLT to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:

I refer to the Premier's recent decision to cease a damages claim on behalf of the industry against Mr Tony Galati.

- (1) Will the state government compensate the industry for costs already incurred by the industry for the legal action?
- (2) Will the state government now return all industry funds held in trust on behalf of the potato growers for the purpose of civil action?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(2) I request that the member refer his question to the Minister for Agriculture and Food as she is the minister responsible for Department of Agriculture and Food Western Australia, which holds the funds in trust.