

WESTERN AUSTRALIA POLICE FORCE — KIMBERLEY

**280. Hon KEN BASTON to the minister representing the Minister for Police:**

I refer to an article in *The Kimberley Echo* dated 5 April 2018 regarding the spike in crime occurring in Kununurra. Will the minister be providing a permanent increase in resources for the Kimberley police force in the upcoming budget?

**Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following information has been provided to me by the Minister for Police. All information about police appropriations will be contained within the 2018–2019 state budget to be tabled on Thursday, 10 May 2018. However, it should be noted that decisions regarding the deployment of officers to individual stations are made by the Commissioner of Police.