

SHARK DRUM LINE PROGRAM

**461. Hon LYNN MacLAREN to the Minister for Fisheries:**

- (1) Can the minister confirm that under the conditions of exemption 2375, drum line operator Graeme Pateman was required to submit to the Western Australia Department of Fisheries a copy of his log sheet for each calendar month including details of his vessel patrol times and location, baiting times, times drum lines were checked, species caught, condition, and for species listed as dangerous the measurements and sex, by no later than the fifteenth of the following month?
- (2) Was a copy of Mr Pateman's log sheet for the March calendar month submitted to the Department of Fisheries by 15 April?
- (3) If not to (2), what are the legal implications?
- (4) Will the minister table a copy of the March log sheet?
- (5) If not to (4), why not?

**Hon KEN BASTON replied:**

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

- (1)–(5) The south west contractor provided weekly reports on catch which included species, size, sex and condition of catch, bait used, patrol hours, water conditions, location of drum lines, maintenance of drum lines and so on. These reports are not for release.