

PERTH MARKET — SALE

**1431. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:**

I refer to the minister's silence regarding the impact of the sale of Perth market on the fruit and vegetable industry in Western Australia.

- (1) Has the minister identified any personal conflict or potential conflict of interest due to family relationships in the sale of Perth market?
- (2) If yes to (1) —
  - (a) has the minister notified the Premier of the conflict;
  - (b) did the minister absent himself from any cabinet discussions on the sale of Perth market;
  - (c) why has the minister not handed over responsibility for the Perth market to another minister;
  - (d) how is the minister managing the conflict; and
  - (e) why has the minister not made any public disclosure of this conflict or potential conflict?

**Hon KEN BASTON replied:**

I thank the member for the question.

- (1) The answer is, first, yes.
- (2) The answer to the question about the Premier is yes; and I have removed myself from all cabinet meetings whenever the discussion has taken place.