

FAMILY COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA — CUSTODY DISPUTES

436. Hon COLIN TINCKNELL to the Leader of the House representing the Attorney General:

- (1) How many couples passed through the Western Australian Family Court in the last 12 months?
 - (a) Of those couples, how many had children under the age of 18 years of age?
 - (b) Of those couples with children under the age of 18, how many were involved in the Western Australian Family Court with custody disputes?
 - (c) Of those children under 18 involved in the custody disputes, how many were directed by the courts to spend equal time with both parents?
 - (d) Of those children under 18 involved in the custody disputes, how many have been required to have supervised contact with one of the parents?
- (2) How many child contact services are approved by the Family Court of WA?
 - (a) What is the average cost per hour of using court-approved child contact services?
 - (b) What is the cheapest cost per hour of using court-approved child contact services?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. Given the nature of the question and the resources required to provide this information, I request that the member place the question on notice.

I say by way of assistance that if the member will sign the question now and hand it to one of the clerks, it will be placed on notice straightaway.