

TRAIN STATIONS IN SOUTHERN SUBURBS — PRIORITY PARKING

784. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport

- (1) What percentage of vehicles parked at Gosnells, Seaforth and Thornlie Station car parks arrive with only one passenger?
- (2) Why has the Government not instigated a system that gives priority parking at Perth metropolitan train stations to cars that have more than two passengers?
- (3) By requiring cars parked at train stations to have more than two passengers, will the capacity of train station car parks be at least doubled?

Mr W.R. MARMION replied:

- (1) The percentage of vehicles parked at Gosnells, Seaforth and Thornlie stations that arrive with only one passenger is unknown.
- (2) The Public Transport Authority has not implemented a system to give priority to multiple occupancy vehicles because of the difficulty with administration and the extra costs that would be associated with policing such a system.
- (3) No, the capacity of train station car parks will not be doubled by car pooling. Not all passengers will want to or be able to arrange to share their journey to the station.