

“TRAINING FOR THE FUTURE” — APPRENTICESHIPS

297. Hon ALISON XAMON to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to “Training for the Future”, which states —

A McGowan Labor Government will create training outcomes that allow apprentices from craft industries with small numbers to still study within TAFE and Western Australia.

- (1) Which specific industries does this statement refer to?
- (2) Has the government begun progressing this commitment?
- (3) If yes to (2), what work has been undertaken?
- (4) If no to (2), why not?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

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

- (1) The craft industries are covered by the following qualifications: certificate III in electronics and communications; certificate III in engineering, fabrication trade; certificate III in automotive and marine trimming technology; certificate III in furniture making, wood machining; certificate III in farriery; certificate III in furniture finishing; certificate III in engineering—mechanical trade; certificate III in flooring technology; certificate III in textile fabrication; certificate III in engineering, fabrication trade; and certificate III in upholstery.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) Discussions have commenced with TAFE colleges to determine the cost and logistics of re-activating the training. In addition, industry peak bodies are being consulted to determine the impact of the proposed changes.
- (4) Not applicable.