

SCHOOLS OF THE AIR — CLOSURE

Petition

HON KEN BASTON (Mining and Pastoral) [2.03 pm]: I present a petition with 660 signatures couched in the following terms —

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned, are opposed to the Government's decision to close Schools of the Air throughout Western Australia. We believe that the closure of these schools will have an adverse effect on the learning, social interaction and wellbeing of geographically isolated children.

We therefore ask the Legislative Council to recommend the Government rescind this decision and keep Schools of the Air open beyond 2018.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

[See paper 1183.]