

MICHAEL BURVILL

**522. Mrs M.H. ROBERTS to the Minister for Police:**

I have a supplementary question. Is the minister doing anything at all to change the system that saw someone with Mr Burvill's driving record as a probationary driver still on the road at the time of the crash; and, if so, what is she doing?

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY replied:**

WA Police have a number of actions around targeting recidivist road traffic offenders. One program that they are running at present out of their evidence-based policing model is to go around and target people who are repeat offenders in the road safety space and put some pressure on them. They are sending text messages and they are writing to these people. They are focusing on people who have a poor driving record and poor compliance. It is about putting some pressure on those recidivist offenders because we know that they are disproportionately represented in our road trauma statistics and our road trauma —

*Point of Order*

**Mrs M.H. ROBERTS:** I actually asked the minister whether she was doing anything to change the system, not to get police to be more active. I am hopeful she might answer the supplementary question that I asked.

*Questions without Notice Resumed*

**Mrs L.M. HARVEY:** I was coming to the rest of the supplementary question. What we have done as a government is outstanding with respect to putting pressure on drink-drivers. We have introduced roadside suspension for people who blow in excess of 0.08, we have introduced random roadside drug testing to target drug-affected drivers as well as alcohol-affected drivers, we have introduced mandatory penalties for any drivers charged with reckless or dangerous driving offences when evading police and we have increased the penalties available for dangerous driving causing death. We have done a lot in the road safety space. With respect to this particular case, my understanding is that we are still in a window for an appeals period and it is not appropriate for me to comment further.