

RAILWAYS — THORNLIE SPUR LINE EXTENSION

**241. Hon LINDA SAVAGE to the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to a report by Syme, Marmion and Co on the possible extensions of the Thornlie spur line to Nicholson Road and beyond.

- (1) Does the minister agree that there is no case to extend the rail line in the short to medium term?
- (2) Does the minister agree that the estimated additional 500 passengers a day who would use a new station at Nicholson Road would be grossly inadequate to justify the construction of the station?
- (3) Does the minister agree that the construction of a station at Nicholson Road would dilute patronage at Thornlie and Murdoch?

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1)–(2) Yes.
- (3) Thornlie station—yes; Murdoch station—probably.