

TAXIS — DRIVER BEHAVIOUR

**104. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the letter recently sent by the general manager of the Department of Transport's passenger services business unit to all taxidriver, advising them that the department has a very firm view of behaviour that does not meet the character test, and this includes committing any form of criminal activity.

- (1) Will drivers charged with possession of a smoking implement have their T extension—taxi extension—on their drivers' licence immediately suspended or cancelled?
- (2) Will drivers charged with trespass have their T extension immediately suspended or cancelled?
- (3) What process does the Department of Transport have in place to ensure it is aware of a taxidriver being charged with any form of criminal activity?
- (4) If no to (1) or (2), what does the department consider to be criminal activity?

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:**

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

The Department of Transport advises —

- (1)–(2) Each charge is reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
- (3) The Department of Transport has processes in place with Western Australia Police.
- (4) Not applicable