

BURSWOOD — PUBLIC TRANSPORT AUTHORITY'S ADVICE

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

- (1) Did the Public Transport Authority provide the Minister for Transport with any advice on the number of trains or railcar sets that would be required to move 35 500 people in an hour from the proposed Burswood station before the minister made the recent claim that this would occur?
- (2) If yes, how many trains or railcar sets did the department advise would be necessary for this task?
- (3) If no, on what basis did the minister make the recent claim?
- (4) Can the minister confirm that the signalling systems on the Perth urban rail network are currently designed to allow a minimum three-minute headway between trains?

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:**

I thank the honourable member for notice of the question. The Minister for Transport, whom I know the honourable member feels very close to, advises —

**Hon Ken Travers:** I used to be in the same Labor Party branch as him!

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN:** There you go! You go back a long way! The Minister for Transport advises, and I am pleased to relay the following advice —

- (1) No; only planned passenger numbers were advised.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) The claim was made as per advice received from the Public Transport Authority.
- (4) Yes, although there is potential to reduce the minimum headway.

**Hon Ken Travers:** At a cost!

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN:** Whenever I can be of assistance, Hon Ken Travers should just sing out and I will deal with it.