

LOCAL PROJECTS, LOCAL JOBS PROGRAM — SCOUTS AUSTRALIA

22. Mrs L.M. HARVEY to the Premier:

I have a supplementary question. Will the Premier immediately backflip on this mean-spirited decision to exclude disadvantaged children from accessing the scouts' leadership program?

Mr M.P. Murray: They get \$700 000 now!

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members!

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

I just heard the worthwhile interjection of the two ministers and they indicated that the scouts currently receive \$700 000 per annum from the Western Australian government.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members!

Mr M. McGOWAN: Although I support the scouts, the KidSport program was about sport.

Several members interjected.

The SPEAKER: Members!

Mr M. McGOWAN: As a government, we continue to work with the scouts to resolve issues. We continue to work with the scouts and the guides, and ministers continue to have meetings with the scouts and the guides to resolve issues. I remind members that significant funding from the state goes to the scouts already.