

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD — PASTORAL LEASES VIABILITY STUDY

526. Hon DARREN WEST to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

- (1) Has the Department of Agriculture and Food undertaken any studies into the viability of pastoral leases in Western Australia?
- (2) If yes to (1), will the minister table a copy of the report and associated documents?
- (3) If no to (2), why not?
- (4) Does the government intend to renew any pastoral leases that are deemed non-viable?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?

Hon KEN BASTON replied:

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

- (1) Yes. Reports have been completed for the northern and southern rangelands.
- (2) Redacted copies of the report will be tabled.
- (3) Redaction of the reports will delete material that will have commercial implications for individual businesses.
- (4)–(5) This question should be redirected to the Minister for Lands.