

STATE BUDGET 2012–13 — GOVERNMENT OFFICE ACCOMMODATION

304. Hon ADELE FARINA to the Minister for Finance:

I refer to the \$31.3 million for government office accommodation in the 2012–13 state budget.

- (1) How much of this amount is for the new Premier's office?
- (2) Is any of this amount for the relocation of government office accommodation to —
 - (a) metropolitan locations; or
 - (b) Bunbury?
- (3) If yes to (2), how much and what is the total amount allocated for this purpose over the forward estimates?
- (4) If no to (2), is any money allocated over the forward estimates for this purpose; and, if so, how much?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question. Perhaps I will give the member a hint that whoever drafted the question for her needs to look at some other parts of the budget to get the information required.

Point of Order

Hon ED DERMER: If there is not a standing order making that type of comment inappropriate, there should be one. I seek the President's advice.

The PRESIDENT: I will take that as a point of view, not a point of order.

Questions without Notice Resumed

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN: And a very interesting point of view it was, too! I provide a simple answer to the member's question.

- (1) None.
- (2) No.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) No.

In the spirit of trying to be helpful, if the honourable member wants to know how much is to be allocated for what she tweely calls "the Premier's office", I suggest she look at the line above the line in the budget that she quoted from, entitled "Cabinet Offices". It is there that Hon Adele Farina will find the expenditure for that purpose in this year. I look forward to seeing her at estimates with any further questions.