

TRANSPERTH BUS SERVICES — DRIVER WORKING CONDITIONS

3561. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Transport

- (1) Can the Minister confirm that drivers employed by the operators of Public Transport Authority (PTA) bus services are working more than six days without a day off?
- (2) Does this meet the PTA standards for Occupational Health and Safety?
- (3) How many continuous days can a driver work before the PTA considers it unacceptable?

Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:

The Public Transport Authority advises:

- (1) In some circumstances drivers may choose to work voluntary overtime.
- (2) Yes
- (3) WorkSafe has audited Transperth contractors with regard to this matter and found that they all comply with the requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act and that the fatigue management systems used are appropriate for these operations.