

HEMP INDUSTRY

759. Hon SOPHIA MOERMOND to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to the iHemp awards gala dinner on Saturday 9 September, followed on Sunday, 10 September by the iHemp WA Expo at Valley Social in the Swan Valley, a weekend showcasing Western Australia's growing hemp industry.

- (1) Will the minister be attending the awards or sending a delegate to see the amazing work being done in the growing hemp industry in Western Australia?
- (2) Would the minister, in her role as Minister for Small Business, consider presenting the award for hemp business of the year 2023, or sending a delegate?
- (3) Would the minister consider giving an overview of the government's perspective on the future of industrial hemp in WA at the event?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

- (1)–(3) I will be leading a primary industries delegation to Indonesia during this time as part of the state government's Indonesia Connect mission. The offer of a representative has been sent to the organisers.