

NURSES AND MIDWIVES — DOUBLE SHIFTS

652. Hon STEVE MARTIN to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the practice of double shifts being undertaken by WA nurses and midwives.

- (1) Over the last week, how many nurses undertook a double shift at Queen Elizabeth II Medical Centre?
- (2) Over the last week, how many nurses undertook a double shift at Fiona Stanley Hospital?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I am sure that the honourable member is seeking information for entirely reasonable purposes, but if he thinks about the logistics of it, hundreds of shifts would have been performed over those two hospitals in the past week. Expecting that information within four hours is not a reasonable request and so the minister has requested that the member place his question on notice.