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BUNBURY HEALTH CAMPUS, TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

111. Hon J.A. COWDELL to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the traffic problems being experienced at the Bunbury health campus.

- (1) Is the minister aware of the dangerous traffic situation at the exits to the new hospital?
- (2) Was the Health Department warned that there would be traffic problems when the hospital was constructed?
- (3) Will the hospital contribute to a study to find a solution to the problem?
- (4) If not, what steps will the minister be taking in liaison with the Minister for Transport to relieve this dangerous situation?

Hon PETER FOSS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) I am advised that the Minister for Health was not aware of any dangerous traffic situation at the South West Health Campus.
- (2) No. Main Roads Western Australia advised the project control group, as part of the project planning phase, that it did not see a traffic problem associated with the location of the South West Health Campus.
- (3) The hospital has been involved in discussions with Main Roads and others to address the potential to modify the speed limit outside the health campus from 80 kilometres per hour to 60 kilometres per hour. The hospital has contributed information on traffic flow onto the South West Health Campus.
- (4) Not applicable.