

HEALTH — E-CIGARETTES

**1011. Hon Dr BRIAN WALKER to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Health:**

I refer the minister to the Department of Health's website and specifically to the page headed "Electronic cigarettes in Western Australia", which until recently contained a section entitled "E-Liquid/E-Juice/Vape Juice and nicotine".

- (1) When was the information on e-liquids removed from the website?
- (2) Who instigated that removal and was the minister or anyone in her office involved in the decision?
- (3) Was any new legal advice received by the department or the minister prior to the removal that might have informed the decision?
- (4) If no to (3), are the previous statements about e-liquids that did not contain nicotine being exempt from the 2016 Supreme Court ruling still valid; and, if they are, why does the department no longer offer public advice on that aspect of vaping?

**The PRESIDENT:** Before I give the call to the Leader of the House, I think the final part of that question seeks a legal opinion. Again, I refer the member to standing order 105, but I will give the call to the Leader of the House to attempt to answer the question.

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. To allow for a fulsome and accurate answer, I request the honourable member to please place the question on notice.