

girl of a sum of money, to be decided by the court, for the term of his natural life?

The Hon. A. F. GRIFFITH replied:

The question of compensating victims of criminal violence has been discussed at meetings of the Standing Committee of Attorneys-General but it appears that, in one State only—New South Wales—has experimental legislation been enacted for the purpose. The problem is one of some complexity. Those operating in other places will be evaluated for the purpose of determining whether or not such a scheme would be feasible in this State.

A case such as that referred to by the honourable member would come within the scope of any such scheme and, no doubt, provision would be made to give the State the right to proceed against an offender for recovery of compensation payments made to the victim of his crime.

It might be added that, as the law now stands, although the offender may have paid his debt to society, he is still liable to pay his debt to the victim who may have a remedy in damages at common law.

#### SMOKING

##### *Discouragement Campaign: Support of Minister*

10. The Hon. N. E. BAXTER (for The Hon. T. O. Perry) asked the Minister for Health:

Was the Minister correctly reported in *The West Australian*, dated Tuesday, the 29th August, 1967, when it was stated that he would support any campaign to discourage smoking?

The Hon. G. C. MacKINNON replied:

Yes, especially if such campaign will help those not already victims of the insidious smoking habit.

#### BILLS (2): INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

1. Licensing Act Amendment Bill.
2. Electoral Act Amendment Bill.

Bills introduced, on motions by The Hon. A. F. Griffith (Minister for Justice), and read a first time.

#### BILLS (3): RECEIPT AND FIRST READING

1. Lotteries (Control) Act Amendment Bill.
2. Evaporites (Lake MacLeod) Agreement Bill.

3. Iron Ore (Nimngarra) Agreement Bill.

Bills received from the Assembly; and, on motions by The Hon. A. F. Griffith (Minister for Mines), read a first time.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE

*The Late Mrs. H. Brand: Condolence*

**THE HON. A. F. GRIFFITH** (North Metropolitan—Minister for Mines) [4.59 p.m.]: Mr. President, members are aware that the Premier's mother passed away in Mullewa this morning and, as a mark of respect to the Premier, I request that the House adjourn. Accordingly, I move—

That the House do now adjourn.

Question passed, members standing.

*House adjourned at 5 p.m.*

## Legislative Assembly

Wednesday, the 6th September, 1967

The SPEAKER (Mr. Hearman) took the Chair at 4.30 p.m., and read prayers.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE

*The Late Mrs. H. Brand: Condolence*

**MR. NALDER** (Katanning—Deputy Premier) [4.31 p.m.]: Mr. Speaker, it is with deep regret that I have to announce to the House that the mother of the Premier passed away this morning. I am sure that all members join with me in conveying our sympathy to the Premier in his loss, and, as a mark of respect to him, I move—

That the House do now adjourn.

**MR. TONKIN** (Melville—Leader of the Opposition) [4.32 p.m.]: I second the motion, and in so doing I wish to extend to the Premier and his relatives, in their bereavement, the sympathy of members on this side of the House.

Question passed, members standing.

*House adjourned at 4.34 p.m.*

## Legislative Council

Thursday, the 7th September, 1967

The PRESIDENT (The Hon. L. C. Diver) took the Chair at 2.30 p.m., and read prayers.

#### QUESTIONS (12): ON NOTICE

##### ROYAL PERTH HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR

##### *Objection to Appointment*

1. The Hon. W. F. WILLESEE asked the Minister for Health:

Is it a fact that objections to the recent appointment of an administrator at Royal Perth Hos-