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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 13

Wednesday, June 20 2001

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Notice Given *Tuesday, May 29 2001*

40. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

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47. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

Notice Given *Thursday, May 31 2001*

50. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
51. Hon Peter Foss to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
52. Hon Peter Foss to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts

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55. Hon Barbara Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education
56. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Police
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69. Hon Dee Margetts to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Consumer Affairs
70. Hon Peter Foss to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Justice and Legal Affairs
71. Hon Peter Foss to the Leader of the House

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72. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

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73. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Forestry and Fisheries
74. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

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75. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development

With regard to the report in *The Kalgoorlie Miner* on Friday, June 8 2001 titled 'WMC sulphur fumes hospitalise workers' relating to the WMC Kalgoorlie Nickel Smelter -

- (1) What changes in operating procedures have been implemented at WMC since the recent spate of sulphur fuming hospitalisations to ensure workers are protected from harmful sulphur fumes?
- (2) What role is the Department of Minerals and Energy (DME) playing in ensuring these procedures are implemented?
- (3) Were monitors in place in the crane cabins where workers became overcome by sulphur dioxide fumes on May 28?
- (4) If so, what levels of sulphur dioxide were present at the time?
- (5) What level of sulphur dioxide exposure does the DME consider acceptable to employees working in crane cabins on the site?
- (6) To what extent can the installation of an absorber reduce the level of sulphur dioxide in a crane cabin?

76. Hon Dee Margetts to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

With regard to the *Taxi Act 1994* and regulations, and amendment regulations 1997 -

- (1) What is the outcome of the Ministerial Taskforce which was looking again at the feasibility of the plate buy-back scheme?
- (2) If so, will the scheme include both country and metropolitan taxis?
- (3) Have the Western Australian Country Taxi Operators Association been included in negotiations?
- (4) If not, why not?
- (5) Will the *Taxi Act 1994* be amended to include country taxis?

77. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister for Police

Within the area bounded by Main Street, Wanneroo Road, Amelia Street and Morley Drive, can the Minister advise the number of break-in offences in commercial and residential premises in the financial years -

- (a) 1997-98;

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- (b) 1998-99;
- (c) 1999-00; and
- (d) the nine weeks to March 31, 2001?

78. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- (1) What taskforces or review committees have been established between February 12 2001 and May 31 2001?
 - (2) What is the purpose of each taskforce or review committee?
 - (3) Who are the members of each taskforce or committee?
 - (4) Are sitting fees being paid to members of the taskforces or committees?
 - (5) If so, how much?
 - (6) When do the taskforces or committees report?
 - (7) Will the reports be tabled in Parliament?
 - (8) If not, why not?

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