

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**Question on notice**

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**Tuesday, 19 June 2012**

5736. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health.

I refer to nuclear waste storage, and the recent passage of the National Radioactive Waste Management Bill 2010 through the Commonwealth Senate, and answer to question on notice No. 273 asked of the Minister for Mines, and I ask --

- (1) Has the Minister sought legal advice about the impact of this legislation on the operation of the Western Australian Nuclear Waste Storage and Transportation (Prohibition) Act 1999?
- (2) Will the Minister table the advice or provide an explanation to the Council?
- (3) What, if anything, will the Minister do to uphold the intent of the Western Australia Nuclear Waste Storage and Transportation (Prohibition) Act 1999?
- (4) Will the Minister take immediate action to convey to the Commonwealth Government this State's clear and legislated opposition to the storage and transportation of nuclear waste in Western Australia?

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**Answer**

(1) No.

(2) Not applicable.

(3 - 4) Not applicable. I do not believe it is the Commonwealth's intention to site the repository in Western Australia.