

## Fishing - Bluefin Tuna Stocks

### **Mr SHELTON question to MINISTER for BUSINESS, INDUSTRY and RESOURCES**

My question is to the minister in his responsibility for the fishing industry. Although I have heard some good news this morning on this issue, I have committed to asking the question.

I understand the southern bluefin tuna population had previously been placed under considerable pressure from fishing. However, I have been contacted recently by fishers on the west coast who believe the status of the southern bluefin tuna has changed. Can you advise if the southern bluefin tuna stocks are recovering and continue to increase, and that the Tasmanian fishers can confidently enjoy this blue-water sport?