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“Government Goes Live!”

FORMER parliamentarian and lobbyist Julian Grill has become the first Western Australian ordered to make a public apology to State Parliament following his wrought dealings over a leaked report.

Mr Grill was found to be in contempt of Parliament earlier this year over a draft committee report in 2004 involving former minister John Bowler.

Mr Grill will front the Legislative Assembly on August 14.

The apology is set to be made at the beginning of question time in the Legislative Assembly and will be broadcast in its entirety on Perth's local television station, ACCESS 31.

The telecast will be a first for WA television, not only in the way of an apology to the Parliament, but also for Perth audiences to witness an entire sitting of State Question Time.

For the first time to Perth viewers, ACCESS 31 will continue to broadcast State Question Time during Parliament sitting days, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 2pm until approximately 3pm.

ACCESS 31's Chair of Program Committee Gerry Gannon said the move was indicative of ACCESS 31's strong commitment to producing local program content for Perth Audiences.

“State Parliament is an important institution and Question Time is the only opportunity that back-benchers from all parties have of asking questions of Ministers,” Mr Gannon said.

“ACCESS 31 sees it as core business, if you will, to bring this vital element of our democratic system to a wider audience.

“We feel that question time will attract a keen audience from the thousands of people who do take an interest in the affairs of our State.”

Question time is regarded as an important avenue to ensure government accountability.

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