



# Aircraft noise Bill rejected

■ **Geoffrey Thomas**

Federal Parliament yesterday defeated a WA-sponsored private member's Bill that would have created the position of an aircraft noise adviser to give impartial advice to residents and guarantee public consultation processes.

The Bill was introduced by Judi Moylan and Steve Irons last year after the Federal Government rejected the recommendations of the Senate inquiry into Perth aircraft noise.

It would have reopened the planning process for Perth's flight paths.

Ms Moylan, the member for Pearce, said the Government had voted against consultation, ignoring the genuine concerns of the public.

"We've seen the effects of no consultation: hundreds of complaints and a damning Senate inquiry, yet the Government thinks there is nothing wrong," Ms Moylan said.

Mr Irons, the member for Swan, said the vote was a bitter disappointment for his constituents and a final indication that Labor and the Federal Government would do nothing to address aircraft noise in Perth.