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McHale, Sheila Margaret

(1953 -)

Born	19530901, Yorkshire England
Occupation	Parliamentarian

Summary

Sheila McHale was a Western Australian parliamentarian (Australian Labor Party) and member of Legislative Assembly from December 1996 – September 2008.

Details

Sheila McHale was born in Yorkshire in 1953, and first came to Australia in 1978, eventually settling in Western Australia. McHale has a Bachelor of Arts with Honours in Sociology, and a Graduate Diploma in Social Science. She held research posts in the United Kingdom with Nottinghamshire Social Services and the Equal Opportunity Commission, and in Australia for the State School Teacher's Union. McHale joined the Labor Party in 1984, and served as Vice President and Treasurer for the Labor Women. She was elected to the Thirty–fifth Parliament of Western Australia for Thornlie on 14 December 1996 in succession to Hon. Yvonne Daphne Henderson (retired). McHale was re-elected 2001, and after the electorate was abolished in a redistribution in 2003, was elected to the Thirty-seventh Parliament for Kenwick (new seat) on 26 February 2005. Again the electorate was abolished in a redistribution in 2007, and McHale did not contest the general election of 6 September 2008.

She was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 2024 for significant service to the people and Parliament of Western Australia, and to the community.

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