

Question on Notice
No. 920
Asked on Tuesday, 31 August 2004

Mr MCARDLE asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice (Mr Welford) –

QUESTION:

With reference to the *Peace and Goodwill Behaviour Act 1982* -

Will he provide for 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 (a) the number of contravention applications that have been filed pursuant to Section 10(1) of the Act and (b) how many of the set applications for contravention have resulted in convictions?

ANSWER:

(a)

Applications to the Magistrates Courts are made under section 4(1) of the *Peace and Good Behaviour Act 1982* (the Act). The number of applications is set out below.

	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004
Number of Applications	818	888	723

It is relevant to note that under section 4(3) of the Act, if a magistrate receives a complaint under the Act, the magistrate may refer the matter to mediation under the Dispute Resolution Centres Act 1990, if the magistrate considers the matter would be better resolved by mediation.

(b)

The number of convictions under section 10(1) of the Act is set out below.

	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004
Number of Convictions	25	22	16