Question on Notice

No. 508

Asked on 23 March 2010

MR DEMPSEY asked the Minister for Child Safety and Minister for Sport (MR REEVES)—

QUESTION

With reference to the statement on page 1 of the Department of Child Safety Annual Report 2007–08 that '99 percent feel safe in their foster care placement'—

- (1) Will the Minister advise (a) how many children were surveyed, (b) the zone in which they resided in at the time of the survey and (c) their age (reported separately)?
- (2) Was the survey repeated in 2008–09 and, if so, will the Minister provide the same details requested in (1)?

ANSWER

As part of their ongoing monitoring role, the Commission for Children and Young People and Child Guardian regularly undertake and publish results from surveys of children and young people involved with child safety and youth justice.

The statistic quoted by the Member for Bundaberg '99 per cent feel safe in their foster care placement' was sourced from the Commission's report published in 2008, titled, 'Views of Children and Young People in Foster Care Queensland 2008'.