

Question on Notice
No. 135
Asked on 6 February 2020

MR T WATTS ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

With reference to answer to Question on Notice No. 11 of 2019 asked on 12 February 2019—

Will the Minister advise since 12 February 2019 (a) the number of reportable offenders subject to an offender prohibition order under the Child Protection (Offender Reporting and Offender Prohibition Order) Act 2004 required to wear a tracking device for a stated period and (b) the period for which every reportable offender is required to wear a tracking device (reported separately)?

ANSWER:

Queensland has the strongest laws in the nation to protect the community from child sex offenders and this government has made these laws even stronger.

Further, we backed these tough laws with a \$27 million funding boost for the ongoing monitoring of reportable offenders.

I am advised that in all instances where the Queensland Police Service (QPS) determined a tracking device was necessary, those offenders were already being monitored by a tracking device fitted due to another legislative mechanism such as a bail condition issued by the courts, a condition under the *Dangerous Prisoners (Sexual Offenders) Act* or as a condition of a parole order managed by Queensland Corrective Services.

As such, the QPS has advised that, since 12 February 2019, no circumstances have arisen requiring police to apply to the courts for a tracking device condition as part of an Offender Prohibition Order (as at 11 February 2020).