

Question on Notice

No. 1000

Asked on 2 September 2021

MRS L GERBER asked the Minister for Children and Youth Justice and Minister for Multicultural Affairs (HON L LINARD)—

QUESTION

With reference to the 202 proven offences committed by one child confirmed during the 2021 22 Youth Justice Estimates Hearings held on 13 August 2021 (p. 73 of Hansard)—

Will the Minister advise of those offences how many (a) were indictable offences, (b) times the child was granted bail and (c) offences were committed before the child was sentenced to detention?

ANSWER

- (a) 173 of the 202 proven offences were indictable offences.
- (b) The 202 proven offences were committed over a period of almost three years between June 2018 and March 2021. During this period the young person was granted bail on six occasions. All of the offending occurred prior to legislative amendments introduced on 30 April 2021 to strengthen accountability for serious repeat youth offenders.
- (c) 186 of the 202 proven offences were committed before the offences that resulted in the child being sentenced to a detention order. The young person spent 136 nights in pre-court custody and remanded in custody during the offending period.