

Question on Notice
No. 1168
Asked on 26 October 2022

MR N DAMETTO ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

With reference to anecdotal reports that Police officers are being constantly denied requests to pursue stolen vehicles in North Queensland – Will the Minister advise (a) how many requests have been made in the Townsville District to pursue a motor vehicle and (b) of these, how many have been granted in the last five years?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that a manual examination of individual records would be required to obtain data on the number of requests made for police pursuits of a motor vehicle in the Townsville Police District. This is considered by the QPS to be an unjustifiable use of police resources at this time.

I am informed by the QPS that 43 occurrences have been listed as a 'Police Pursuit' within QPRIME in the last five years for the Townsville District.