

Question on Notice

No. 244

Asked on 17 March 2021

MR M BERKMAN asked the Minister for Children and Youth Justice and Minister for Multicultural Affairs (HON L LINARD)—

QUESTION

With reference to the trial of electronic monitoring devices for young people on bail— Will the Minister advise (a) how many orders for one of these devices have been made to date, (b) how many and what proportion of the orders have been in relation to an Indigenous young person and (c) in each situation where young persons have been found unsuitable for the electronic monitor, what were the reasons given?

ANSWER

- (a) As at 24 March 2022, following court orders, three young people were granted bail with an electronic monitoring device (EMD) condition. There are currently no young people subject to an EMD condition.
- (b) Two of the three young people granted bail with an EMD condition identified as Aboriginal (66.67 per cent).
- (c) The reasons given where the young person was found unsuitable included lack of support from a parent or other adult, unwillingness to comply, lack of capacity to understand an EMD condition, and withdrawal of request from the legal representative.