

Question on Notice

No. 410

Asked on 17 April 2024

MRS L GERBER ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE, MINISTER FOR PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE (HON Y D'ATH)

QUESTION:

Will the Attorney-General detail how often section 159 of the Youth Justice Act is enacted in sentencing in the last 12 months by providing (a) the number of times audio visual links have been used in sentencing and (b) the number of audio links used in sentencing?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

I am advised that between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024 in a Queensland Childrens Court before a Judge or Magistrate there were:

- a) 2,227 appearances where the defendant was sentenced via video conference.
- b) 56 appearances where the defendant was sentenced via telephone.