

QUESTION ON NOTICE

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MR N DAMETTO ASKED MINISTER FOR YOUTH JUSTICE AND VICTIM SUPPORT AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON L GERBER)

QUESTION:

With reference to the LNP's youth crime policy election commitment, Circuit Breaker Sentencing—

Will the Minister provide an update on the delivery and expected timeframe of this alternative incarceration method for youth offenders?

ANSWER:

The Crisafulli Government is delivering a key election commitment to restore community safety through the \$80 million Circuit Breaker Sentencing initiative.

This initiative provides courts with the option to mandate a program of intensive rehabilitation for youth offenders, removing them from the communities they have victimised. The aim is to break the cycle of reoffending and restore safety in Queensland communities.

Circuit Breaker Sentencing will operate across two remote locations in north and south-east Queensland, with capacity to accommodate up to 60 youth offenders. It will offer youth offenders a three-to-six-month alternative to youth detention through intensive, structured, evidence-based rehabilitation at remote, secure sites.

As a key part of the Crisafulli Government's *Making Queensland Safer* plan, Circuit Breaker Sentencing will focus on rehabilitation, education, and reintegration into the community to reduce recidivism and increase community safety. There will be an emphasis on discipline and consequences to facilitate rehabilitation, supported by wraparound social and health services to break the cycle of crime.

The Government is inviting non-Government organisations to express interest in partnering to deliver meaningful rehabilitation services. The market engagement process recently closed on 9 October 2025.

Program delivery is scheduled to commence in 2026.