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FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Tara Cheyne MLA

In relation to: Traffic infringements

1. How many traffic and parking infringements were issued in 2017-18?
2. How many traffic and parking infringements were disputed or was withdrawal sought in 2017-18?
 - a. Of these, how many were withdrawn?
 - b. What were the main reasons for withdrawal?
 - c. What was the average length of time between a withdrawal being sought and an outcome being notified in 2017-18?
 - d. How does this compare to 2016-17 and 2015-16?

Gordon Ramsay MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

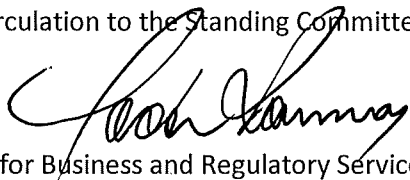
1. 171,766
2. The infringements database records the outcome of the review request.
 - a. 9,426 of the 171,766 infringements issued in 2017-18 were withdrawn.
 - b. The main reasons for withdrawal were:
 - the motorist had a good driving record
 - the person held a valid parking permit that was not correctly displayed
 - the person responsible for the infringement is now living overseas
 - c. This information is unable to be provided because there are a range of factors associated with an infringement withdrawal request which impact on the ability to provide an 'average' time for when an outcome is notified. Each request for

withdrawal must be considered on its individual circumstances and in accordance with the withdrawal guidelines. Often the review process is customer led. For example, a withdrawal application can be made when the customer is accepting liability for the offence, but believes they have a special circumstances that caused them to incur the infringement notice. The customer is required to provide sufficient evidence to Access Canberra to support their claims, which can take time for them to collate. This information then needs to be considered by Access Canberra before a decision is made and the outcome notified.

d. As above.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Justice and Community Safety

Signature:

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Date: 22/11/18

By the Minister for Business and Regulatory Services, Gordon Ramsay MLA