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SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2022-2023

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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by Andrew Braddock MLA on 1 September 2022: Ray Johnson, Commissioner ACT Corrective Services took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

THE CHAIR: Okay, Mr Braddock, substantive.

MR BRADDOCK: Excuse me. Just a question in terms of how many prisoners are sharing cells which were originally designed for one occupant, but then have been retrofitted for two occupants?

Mr Johnson: I would have to take that on notice, to the exact number. Quite a majority, I would expect.

Mick Gentleman MLA, Minister for Corrections: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

The AMC has made provision for two people to be able to share 132 cells originally provisioned for single occupancy. These changes occurred before 2020. As of 1 September 2022, there were 126 detainees housed in these modified cells.

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By the Minister for Corrections, Mick Gentleman MLA