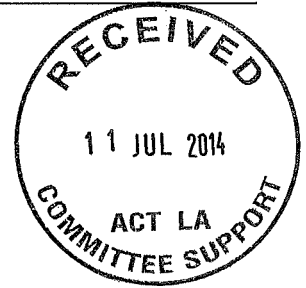




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**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**  
**DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Asked by Mrs Giulia Jones MLA on 26 June 2014: Mr Simon Corbell MLA took on notice the following question(s):

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(JACS #5)

In relation to: Inspections of licensed premises

**MRS JONES:** Yes. How often are these process regularly inspected by those other organisations and by the police?

**Mr Corbell:** Well, I am happy to give you a complete breakdown on the number of inspections that have taken place—

**MRS JONES:** Maybe the last 12 months.

**Mr Corbell:** —both by police and by our liquor licensing inspectors. I do not know whether we have that immediately to hand. It does not appear so, but I am happy to provide that information to you, and I will have to take that on notice.

**MRS JONES:** And they are some—so, there is a regular attendance as well as callouts?

**Mr Corbell:** Yes. There is a proactive inspection regime both by our liquor licensing inspectors as well as by police.

**MRS JONES:** Thank you.

Mr Simon Corbell MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The number of liquor inspections conducted by the Office of Regulatory Services during 2013-14 financial year to May 2014 is 1,020. Statistically the Office of Regulatory Services does not distinguish between proactive and reactive inspections.

In relation to the breakdown of proactive and reactive inspection activity conducted by ACT Policing, the statistics for the period 1 July 2013 to 30 April 2014 were reviewed on 1 July 2014 and the updated recorded inspections totalled 1422, broken down as follows;

| Proactive Inspections                                                                                         | Number of Inspections |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Walkthroughs (high visibility inspections engaging with patrons of licenced premises)                         | 746                   |
| Education (includes specific education activity around legislative compliance)                                | 10                    |
| Engagements (high visibility inspections engaging with licencees and staff in relation to general compliance) | 399                   |

| Reactive Inspections                                                                 | Number of Inspections |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Enforcements (investigation of an alleged or perceived breach of liquor legislation) | 86                    |

ACT Policing have identified that 181 incidents were recorded as 'Others' which includes visits to premises where no patrons present or the premises is closed, interactions with external security staff but not entry or direct inspection of a premises and other miscellaneous interactions with licencees or licenced premises. In relation to the 'Others' category ACT Policing has implemented changes to the recording methodology which will ensure that future activities will be more accurately reflected as outlined in the Proactive and Reactive Inspections tables above.

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By the Attorney-General, Mr Simon Corbell MLA