

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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 Monday, 29 August 2022: Neil Gaughan, Chief Police Officer – ACT Policing took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

**MR BRADDOCK**: Understood, thank you for that clarification. And finally, I know you have offered to demonstrate this point earlier. I just wanted to check, what model of spit hood is actually used in the ACT?

**Dep Commissioner Gaughan:** I will have to take that on notice, I do not know that.

MR BRADDOCK: Thank you.

Mick Gentleman MLA, Minister for Police and Emergency Services: I am advised that the answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

Spit hoods used by ACT Policing are considered safe when used in accordance with the instructions. Any person in custody who is subject to the wearing of a spit hood is personally accompanied by an ACT Policing officer and monitored closely. Once they are placed in a holding cell the spit hood is removed.

ACT Policing has access to two types of spit hoods, the SAFARILAND Spit Net (Code: LP8310-0-2C) and the SAFARILAND Tranzport Hood (Code: LP8320-0-2C).

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By the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Mick Gentleman MLA