



STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

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Inquiry into Community Corrections
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
16 March 2022

Asked by Dr Marisa Paterson MLA on 16 March 2022: Dr John Boersig took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

DR PATERSON: I was just wondering, can you speak to numbers of clients that would be in that situation?

Dr Boersig: I certainly can in relation to family law and Federal Circuit Court; around 10 per cent of our clients are from out of state in that sphere. In relation to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, Corrective Services I would think would have those figures and I would not be able to put an actual figure on it, but if I do, I can take that question on notice and I can find the number of people who—the question would be really, in criminal matters, who are the non-residents we assist? And we will have a look at what kind of figure we can provide you in relation to that.

Dr John Boersig, Chief Executive Officer, Legal Aid Commission (ACT):

The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

Legal Aid ACT has provided legal assistance to non-ACT residents with criminal matters:

- 158 non-ACT residents in 2019-2020;
- 166 non-ACT residents in 2020-2021; and
- 89 non-ACT residents in 2021-2022 (YTD).

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Signature:

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By the Chief Executive Officer, Legal Aid Commission (ACT)