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FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

**QON No. 48**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY**

Mr Jeremy Hanson MLA (Chair), Dr Marisa Paterson MLA (Deputy Chair),  
Ms Jo Clay MLA

**Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22**  
**QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Elizabeth Kikkert: To ask the Attorney General

Ref: Attorney General, Budget paper D, page number 28 output class 3.1

In relation to: Line item “More support for families and inclusion – Drug and Alcohol Court” on page 28

1. Can the Minister provide a more detailed description of what this line item entails?
2. Can the Minister provide an itemised list of what this line item will be used for and at what cost for each item?
3. Why was the \$70,000 intended for the 2020-21 financial year not spent and why has it been pushed back to this financial year?

Shane Rattenbury MLA: The answer to the Member’s question is as follows: –

1. This line item relates to funding allocated for the evaluation of the Drug and Alcohol Court (DAC) to provide deeper insights into the outcomes and impacts of the DAC across all its components (from justice to therapeutic).
2. The total sum of \$70,000 will be used for the evaluation of the DAC.
3. The final report of the DAC evaluation was due to be completed in 2021. The timeframe for undertaking and delivering the report has been impacted by the COVID-19 situation in the ACT including the public health emergency lockdown in early 2020 and more recently, in 2021. Funding totalling \$70,000 for the FY2020-2021 has been rolled over to FY2021-2022 and the final report of the DAC evaluation is now due for completion by 30 June 2022.

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

Signature:

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Date: 15/11/21

By the Attorney General, Shane Rattenbury MLA