

PRISONS — CORRUPTION AND MISCONDUCT

927. Mr S.K. L'ESTRANGE to the Minister for Corrective Services:

I refer to the Corruption and Crime Commission's current public examinations into how culture contributes to serious misconduct in Hakea and other prisons in Western Australia.

Given the minister was warned of corruption concerns in the CCC's "Report into Misconduct Risks in WA Prisons" in 2018, why are we still reading about corruption and misconduct concerns in the prison system after four years of the McGowan Labor government?

Mr F.M. LOGAN replied:

I thank the member for raising this issue. It is a very important issue. As the member would remember, the matters that were raised by the Corruption and Crime Commission's reports—there were a number of them—related primarily to actions that occurred under the previous Liberal–National government. Most of the recommendations from those reports, which the CCC itself has already reported on, have been implemented. We were congratulated, as a government and a department, for moving so quickly on those recommendations. Regarding the current investigation that has been undertaken by the CCC, if the member goes to the CCC's website and reads the four-page document that relates to the investigation, it is about an incident that occurred in 2018 at Hakea Prison. It does not go back to the issues that the CCC had reported on, which the member is trying allude to. It relates to a particular incident that occurred in 2018. I am not going to make any comment whatsoever about that incident because it is under investigation, as it should be. I look forward to reading the report.