

PRISONS — BANDYUP — PREGNANCY-RELATED ISSUES

4136. Mr P. Papalia to the Minister for Corrective Services:

Since the start of this year:

- (a) how many women have been taken out of Bandyup Women's Prison and transported to hospital for pregnancy termination:
 - (i) how many of these women were pregnant on their reception at Bandyup Women's Prison;
 - (ii) how many of these women were sentenced prisoners; and
 - (iii) were any of these women shackled during transportation? If so, how many and what was their security classification;
- (b) how many women have been taken out of Bandyup Women's Prison and transported to hospital for emergency pregnancy-related treatment, i.e. not terminations:
 - (i) how many of these women were pregnant on their reception at Bandyup Women's Prison;
 - (ii) how many of these women were sentenced prisoners; and
 - (iii) were any of these women shackled during transportation? If so, how many and what was their security classification;
- (c) how many women have been taken out of Bandyup Women's Prison and transported to hospital for emergency treatment not related to pregnancy:
 - (i) how many of these women were sentenced prisoners; and
 - (ii) were any of these women shackled during transportation? If so, how many and what was their security classification;
- (d) how many complaints (via ACCESS) have been made by prisoners at Bandyup Women's Prison about officers' conduct;
- (e) how many officers at Bandyup Women's Prison have been suspended due to disciplinary action;
- (f) what are the reasons for this disciplinary action:
 - (i) have these officers returned to work or are due to return to work at Bandyup Women's Prison; and
 - (ii) has the Minister for Corrective Services been informed of any suspensions; and
- (g) how many officers at Bandyup Women's Prison have been dismissed due to misconduct:
 - (i) what was the nature of the misconduct; and
 - (ii) has the Minister for Corrective Services been informed of any dismissals?

Mr J.M. Francis replied:

The Department of Corrective Services advises:

Departmental policy prohibits the use of restraints while escorting pregnant women. Pregnant women are escorted using a 'soft' vehicle, a sedan or station wagon, rather than a secure vehicle.

Since the start of this year:

- (a) One, as at 8 July 2015.
 - (i) One
 - (ii) One
 - (iii) Nil. Departmental policy prohibits the use of restraints while escorting pregnant women. Pregnant women are escorted using a 'soft' vehicle, a sedan or station wagon, rather than a secure vehicle.
- (b) Seven, as at 8 July 2015.
 - (i) Seven
 - (ii) Two
 - (iii) Nil

- (c) 35, as at 8 July 2015.
 - (i) 17
 - (ii) 17. Policy Directive 82 requires the use of restraints for prisoner escorts from Bandyup Women's Prison where the prisoner is not pregnant. The personal security rating of escorted prisoners is not a factor in determining whether restraints are used.
- (d) 24 women, as at 8 July 2015.
- (e) No officers, as at 8 July 2015.
- (f) Not applicable.
 - (i) Not applicable
 - (ii) Not applicable
- (g) No officers, as at 8 July 2015.
 - (i) Not applicable
 - (ii) Not applicable