

**BANKSIA HILL DETENTION CENTRE — CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE —
UNSENTENCED AND ON REMAND**

5961. Mr S.K. L'Estrange to the Minister for Emergency Services; Corrective Services:

I refer to youth offenders and children under the age of 18 in the years 2017–18 and 2018–19, and I ask:

- (a) How many days on average did children spend on remand at Banksia Hill Detention Centre;
- (b) How many days on average did children, who were subsequently released unsentenced, spend on remand at Banksia Hill;
- (c) How many children, by region, were detained at Banksia Hill and subsequently released unsentenced; and
- (d) How many flights, by region, did the Department of Corrective Services purchase to transport children to/from Banksia Hill Detention Centre:
 - (i) How many of these flights were charter flights; and
 - (ii) How much did the flights cost, by region;
 - (iii) How many of these flights were for children who had been/were subsequently released unsentenced from Banksia Hill Detention Centre?

Mr F.M. Logan replied:

- (a) The average number of days young people spent on remand in BHDC was 17 days for the 2017–2018 financial year and 16 days for the 2018–2019 financial year.
- (b) The average number of days young people spent on remand in BHDC and subsequently released unsentenced was 14 days for the 2017–2018 and 2018–2019 financial years respectively.
- (c) The number of young people remanded in BHDC and subsequently released unsentenced, per region:

WA Region	2017–2018	2018–2019
Mid-West Gascoyne	52	23
Goldfields–Esperance	26	28
Great Southern	62	32
Kimberley	48	45
Pilbara	30	28
Wheatbelt	29	26
Metropolitan	496	520
Address unknown (at time of remand)	13	16
Total	756	718

- (d) There is no data available for the number of flights, broken down by region that the Department purchased to transport young people to and from BHDC.
 - (i) The number of charter flights* purchased in the 2017–2018 financial year was 69 flights and 100 flights for the 2018–2019 financial year.
 - (ii) The Department is unable to provide a cost breakdown per method of transport; the total cost of regional transport to and from BHDC was \$387,821.03 for the 2017–2018 financial year and \$630,320.37 for the 2018–2019 financial year.
 - (iii) There is no data available that can identify how many flights were for young people that were subsequently released unsentenced from BHDC.

** Please note: The number of charter flights includes to and from BHDC.*