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VIOLENT SEX OFFENDERS — PAROLE

1223. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the minister representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to the minister's answers to my questions without notice in August and September regarding return to prison warrants.

- (1) Does the minister recall informing the house that as at 31 August 2023 there were 47 outstanding prison warrants, with 41 of them being either in prison in other jurisdictions or located outside Western Australia?
- Does the minister recall informing the house that of those remaining six warrants, three were still outstanding as at 12 September 2023 and had been for 48, 55 and 2 147 days respectively?
- (3) Does the minister recall informing the house that the return to prison warrant that had been outstanding for 2 147 days as at 12 September 2023 was for an offender who is in custody in New South Wales?
- (4) Which of these three questions are inaccurate and require a prompt correction and apology to the house?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following information has been provided to me by the Minister for Police.

(1)–(4) The Western Australia Police Force advise that return to prison warrants are relevant to circumstances at the point in time of reporting. Further, specific locations for an offender subject to an RTP warrant is dynamic due to actions taken by individuals to avoid apprehension.