

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Senator Cameron asked on 10 April 2015 on proof Hansard page 3

Question

Breakdown of prosecutions by year

Senator CAMERON: So it is a handful of prosecutions every year? You knew there were 38 prosecutions. Can you tell me how many there were in 2006, how many in 2007, going through?

Ms Leon: No, we do not have that with us.

Senator Abetz: We can take that on notice for you.

Senator CAMERON: You cannot tell me if anyone has gone to prison for any of these prosecutions?

CHAIR: In the world? It is a pretty big question.

Senator CAMERON: It is not a big question. It is a question on the prosecutions. There are only 38 of them.

Mr Hehir: There are 38 referrals to DPP. That is the figure we have provided. They then undertake their own process in terms of what they will take forward. Our task is to get an effective referral to the DPP, which is what we do. In terms of the success, there are certainly a handful that I am aware of where there have been findings, but I would much prefer to take an accurate answer to you and give the detail of what the outcomes were for each of the prosecutions that were there. Certainly the prosecutions are publicly available, but we will need to go through and check them.

Answer

For details of prosecutions since 2006, refer to **Attachment A** of EMSQ15-000055.