

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Senator:** Senator the Hon Jan McLucas

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**Question:**

Senator McLUCAS: I would be interested to know if anyone has been evicted because their children were not at school.

Senator Scullion: I do not think that is the indication. I think the indication with housing is that nobody is getting evicted. Instead of putting people in houses as, perhaps, they conventionally do, they are saying, "If your kids are going to school, you are on a waiting list. If you want to really get into a house early, put yourself higher up on the list by getting your kids to school." So I do not think the notion of eviction is part of it, but we will try to get that information to you.

**Answer:**

Under current reporting arrangements jurisdictions do not report on evictions or the reason for evictions. Tenancy Management and the details of implementation of tenancy policies (including eviction process) is a matter for jurisdictions.