

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE  
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS

**Question No. 155**

**Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 31 October 2005:**

- a) For the years 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, and 2005, could you indicate:
- (i) How many charges were laid against government employees in relation to drug offences?
- b) Could you provide a breakdown based on:
- (i) The agency or department which the person worked for?
  - (ii) The charges that have been laid against the person;
  - (iii) The alleged value of the drugs;
  - (iv) Charges have been laid?
  - (v) Has the prosecution commenced?
  - (vi) What stage are the trials at?
  - (vii) How many of the trials have concluded and, in how many of the trials was a conviction recorded,
  - (viii) The severity of the conviction.

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

None for Commonwealth offences so far as the CDPP can ascertain. (a) - (b) Prosecutions relating to drug use generally involve State or Territory offences and in the normal course are prosecuted by State authorities rather than the CDPP.