

POLICE — STOLEN FIREARMS

1107. Hon RICK MAZZA to the minister representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to Operation Bluesun and the report in today's *The West Australian* that 1 317 firearms were stolen between January 2016 and July 2018.

- (1) What proportion of those stolen firearms were —
 - (a) components of firearms classified as firearms under the current act;
 - (b) paintball guns;
 - (c) firearms other than those in categories A, B, C and H; and
 - (d) firearms owned by government departments or agencies?
- (2) Of those stolen firearms —
 - (a) what proportion were recovered;
 - (b) how many offenders were apprehended;
 - (c) how many charges were laid against apprehended offenders;
 - (d) and of those charges, how many were laid for burglary and how many were for offences under the Firearms Act; and
 - (e) how many convictions were there for offences under the Firearms Act and what penalties were applied?

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.

The Western Australia Police Force advises that it is not possible to provide a response to this question within the required time. If the honourable member puts the question on notice, the minister will seek further information from the Western Australia Police Force.