

BANKSIA HILL DETENTION CENTRE AND UNIT 18, CASUARINA

**534. Hon Dr BRAD PETTITT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Corrective Services:**

I refer to youth justice and the answer to my question without notice 449 for which information on unfulfilled shifts over multiple months was provided without issue or request to place the question on notice.

- (1) On a typical day, how many youth custodial officer shifts are required to be filled at Banksia Hill Detention Centre and unit 18 respectively to avoid program disruption and staff-related lockdowns?
- (2) What was the total number of YCO shifts that went unfulfilled at each facility during April 2023?

**Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following answer has been provided to me by the Minister for Corrective Services.

- (1) Generally, a day's program at Banksia Hill can be run with 35 to 40 youth custodial officers and a day's program at unit 18 can be run with 15 YCOs. These numbers are inclusive of up to three prison officers in assisting roles. This can be impacted by the level of critical incidents, site damage and detainees' particular medical, behavioural or other issues. The numbers fluctuate depending on those factors.
- (2) The table below outlines the number of unplanned absences among YCOs for the month of April 2023. Please note unplanned absences, or "unfulfilled shifts", includes instances in which YCOs did not attend their rostered shift. This would include reasons such as sick leave, personal leave and all other unplanned leave. Please also note, in addition to the below absences, Banksia Hill's staffing is impacted by workers compensation, placements, officer training and vacancies.

I seek leave to have the table incorporated into *Hansard*.

[Leave granted for the following material to be incorporated.]

BHDC														
1-Apr	2-Apr	3-Apr	4-Apr	5-Apr	6-Apr	7-Apr	8-Apr	9-Apr	10-Apr	11-Apr	12-Apr	13-Apr	14-Apr	15-Apr
3	3	5	1	0	3	2	4	6	3	7	4	4	5	3
Unit 18														
1-Apr	2-Apr	3-Apr	4-Apr	5-Apr	6-Apr	7-Apr	8-Apr	9-Apr	10-Apr	11-Apr	12-Apr	13-Apr	14-Apr	15-Apr
2	3	0	1	0	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	3	0	3

BHDC														
16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr	23-Apr	24-Apr	25-Apr	26-Apr	27-Apr	28-Apr	29-Apr	30-Apr
5	4	2	2	1	7	3	0	3	5	2	3	3	4	4
Unit 18														
16-Apr	17-Apr	18-Apr	19-Apr	20-Apr	21-Apr	22-Apr	23-Apr	24-Apr	25-Apr	26-Apr	27-Apr	28-Apr	29-Apr	30-Apr
8	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	0	1	1	2