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Hon Louise Kingston; Hon Stephen Dawson

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41. Hon LOUISE KINGSTON to the minister representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to the minister's response to question on notice 1752 regarding reported incidents involving a firearm, to which the minister did not provide information on incidents involving unlicensed firearms.

- (1) Of the 517 incidents reported in 2023, how many involved an unlicenced firearm?
- (2) How many of those offences were committed by a person without a firearms licence?

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.

(1)–(2) The Western Australia Police Force advises that the firearms licence status of the firearms involved in the recorded incidents are unable to be provided due to recording limitations, and that the firearm or firearms involved are not always recovered by police for every incident.