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[LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEES A AND B SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION — Thursday,
26 May 2022]
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Mr P.J. Rundle

DIVISION 27: JUSTICE — SERVICES 1 TO 8, ATTORNEY GENERAL —

[Supplementary Information No B14.]

Question: Mr P.J. Rundle asked how many recommendations the Attorney General had received for early release or parole of prisoners who had received a life term; and, of those, how many were approved and how many were rejected.

Answer: The information requested is detailed in Table 1 as follows.

Table 1 – Releases by Governor 1 June 2021 to 2 June 2022

Year	Number of life sentenced prisoners recommended by PRB for release	Number of life sentenced prisoners recommended for release by Attorney General to the Governor	Number of life sentenced prisoners NOT approved for release by Attorney General	Decision of the Attorney General Pending
1 June 2021 to YTD 2 June 2022	24	17	2	5

Table 2 – Releases by the Governor 2012 to 2017

Year	Number of life sentenced prisoners approved for release by the Governor
2012	2
2013	3
2014	12
2015	12
2016	5
2017	5

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(i)–(iii) As below in Table 3.

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Table 3 – Releases by Governor 1 June 2021 to 31 May 2022

Offender	Offence Committed	Date sent to Attorney General's Office	Did AG recommend release to Governor?
Offender 1	Willful Murder	1/10/2021	Pending
Offender 2	Murder	9/11/2021	Pending
Offender 3	Willful Murder	26/11/2021	Pending
Offender 4	Murder	28/01/2022	Pending
Offender 5	Murder	3/03/2022	Pending
Offender 6	Murder	1/10/2021	Yes
Offender 7	Willful Murder	10/06/2021	Yes
Offender 8	Indecent assault and sexual penetration without consent	19/03/2021	Yes
Offender 9	3x Indecent dealings with a child under age 16 years, 2x sexual penetration of a child under age 16 years and 2x indecent dealings with a child under age 13 years	27/07/2021	Yes

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Offender 10	Willful Murder	23/12/2021	Yes
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[Note 2: “Serial Murderers” has been taken to be a reference to Multiple Murderers as defined by s14B of the Sentence Administration Act 2003]