

JUVENILE OFFENDERS — MIDAIR INCIDENT

994. Hon NEIL THOMSON to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Corrective Services:

I refer to recent events in Broome where allegedly, juvenile offenders were sent via charter aircraft that had to be diverted due to a reported attempt to rush the pilot.

- (1) How many juvenile offenders were on board the aircraft?
- (2) How many corrections staff or contractors were on board the aircraft?
- (3) Why were these juveniles being sent to Perth?
- (4) Was a risk assessment undertaken by the Department of Corrective Services prior to flying the alleged offenders by air charter?
- (5) What changes are being made to procedures because of the midair incident?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

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

- (1) There were three.
- (2) There were five corrective services staff.
- (3) They were remanded to Banksia Hill Detention Centre by order of the Children's Court.
- (4) Yes.
- (5) Security is constantly being reviewed and adapted as required.