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PUBLIC HOUSING — EVICTIONS

185. Hon WILSON TUCKER to the minister representing the Minister for Housing:

- (1) In the last 24 months, how many public housing tenancy agreements have been terminated?
- (2) Are terminations recorded by category?
- (3) If yes to (2), in the last 24 months, how many agreements have been terminated for each category?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Housing.

(1)–(3) Eviction is a last resort for the Department of Communities and is often taken to ensure the safety of the community. Communities works with tenants to ensure that they are given every opportunity to rectify the issues impacting their tenancy. This includes making appropriate referrals to supports and programs such as Thrive, which provides support to public housing clients. Bailiff evictions follow when tenants repeatedly and egregiously fail to rectify their behaviour or engage with Communities to sustain their tenancies. The decision to evict a tenancy rests with a magistrate. The rest of the answer is in tabular form. I seek leave to have it incorporated in *Hansard*.

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

Financial Year (as at 30 June)	Public Housing Bailiff Evictions Statewide
2021–22	43
2022–23	47
2023–24 FYTD	31