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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**Questions on Notice Paper No 6****9 May 2025****Question No. 400****MR CAIN:** To ask the Attorney-General —

1. Since 2018, how many cases prosecuted by the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) have drawn adverse judicial comment regarding prosecutorial conduct, delay, disclosure failures, or submissions.
2. What is the DPP's current policy on public access to prosecution guidelines, and when were those guidelines last updated or externally reviewed since 2018.
3. Since 2018, how many formal complaints have been received by the DPP's office from victims, defence counsel, or other stakeholders, and what were the outcomes of those complaints.

TARA CHEYNE MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. The Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) does not record information about the number of cases prosecuted by the DPP that have drawn adverse judicial comment regarding prosecutorial conduct, delay, disclosure failures, or submissions.
2. The *DPP Prosecution Policy of the Australian Capital Territory* is publicly accessible online: [Prosecution-Policy-2021.pdf](#). The guidelines were last issued by the former Director in May 2021. They have not been externally reviewed since they were issued.



3. Justice agency complaints are recorded in the DPP Annual Reports which are available online: [Annual Reports - DPP](#).

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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