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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE Questions on Notice Paper No 6 9 May 2025 Question No. 397

MR CAIN: To ask the Attorney-General —

- 1. Since 2018, how many criminal matters have been prosecuted by the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), and what was the conviction rate at first instance and on appeal.
- 2. What has been the median time between a matter being referred to the DPP and a prosecution decision, since 2018, broken down by offence category (e.g. indictable vs summary).
- 3. Since 2018, how many prosecutions have been discontinued or resulted in a nolle prosequi, and what proportion of those were due to evidentiary issues.

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

- 1. Information regarding the numbers of matters finalised are contained in Annual Reports and ROGs data. Data is not kept in relation to the conviction rate, with the exception of Supreme Court trial outcomes, which is also reported in the Annual Reports, available online: Annual Reports DPP.
- 2. It is unclear what a 'prosecution decision' refers to.

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3. The DPP does not collect data about the number of prosecutions discontinued or that resulted in a nolle prosequi, or the proportion of such cases that were due to evidentiary issues.

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