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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**Questions on Notice Paper No 40****22 March 2024****Question No. 1747****MS LEE MLA:** To ask the Minister for Education and Youth Affairs

- (1) For every misconduct assessment for fraud and corruption that was referred to the Integrity Commission for the Education Directorate, for each year since the Integrity Commission was established, how many times did the Integrity Commission provide notice to the Directorate that
 - (a) further investigation is required,
 - (b) the case should be dismissed and
 - (c) the case should be referred back to the Directorate.
- (2) For each answer referred to in part (1)(a), how many of these further investigations
 - (a) are still awaiting a finding and
 - (b) has the Directorate received notice that a finding has been made.
- (3) How many of the findings referred to in part (2)(b), did the Directorate receive notice that fraud or corruption allegations were substantiated.
- (4) For each answer referred to in part (1)(c), how many times did the Directorate then determine that a finding of corruption or fraud was
 - (a) substantiated and
 - (b) not substantiated.

MS BERRY MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- (1) The Directorate cannot know with certainty the number of matters referred to the Integrity Commission. Reporting to the Commission is most often a confidential process where individual people, including managers, may make independent referrals directly to the Commission without informing the Directorate.

Under Division 3.1.4 of the *Integrity Commission Act 2018* the Commission must, subject to certain limitations, keep the complainant, referring entity and notifier informed when they have made a decision



on a matter (including to decline to investigate), or otherwise every three months. However, section 198 of the *Integrity Commission Act 2018* requires the Commission to issue a non-disclosure notice to individuals receiving any information under Division 3.1.4, which may mean that information about the updates and decisions by the Commission cannot be disclosed.

Respecting those provisions, the information the Directorate is able to provide is:

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Number referrals to Integrity Commission	0	0	0	2	1	0	0
(a) Further investigation required	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
(b) Case should be dismissed	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
(c) Case should be referred back to the Directorate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

(2a) 1

(2b) 0

(3) Not applicable

(4) Not applicable

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

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