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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**Questions on Notice Paper No 7****16 May 2025****Question No. 431**

MR CAIN: To ask the Attorney-General — How many tenants have initiated termination of a tenancy agreement by activating Division 4.3A of the Residential Tenancies Act 1997 (a) in 2024-25 (YTD), (b) in 2023-24, (c) in 2022-23 and (d) between 2014-15 and 2021-22.

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

Division 4.3A was inserted in the Residential Tenancies Act 1997 via the Housing and Consumer Affairs Legislation Amendment Act 2024 on 10 December 2024. While the Division did not exist for the financial years requested at (b), (c) and (d), for completeness, the Division does not require the ACT Government to collect this data, due to the Division allowing for the termination to be terminated by way of notice of the tenant to the landlord.



In relation (a) the ACT Government does not hold data in relation to how many tenants have initiated termination of a tenancy under the Division as the ACT Government does not collect or hold data on the reasons why tenancies are terminated. Further, as the Division allows a tenant to terminate their tenancy by way of notice to their landlord and does not require an application to the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) to terminate the tenancy, there are no ACAT records about how frequently the termination provision is relied upon.

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