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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
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Question No. 1564

Asked by Ms Lawder MLA –

1. In relation to random vehicle inspections, for each year from 2018-2019 to 2023-24 (to date), how many (a) inspections were undertaken by ACT Government Vehicle Inspectors and (b) defects were issued, broken down by vehicle category.
2. In relation to passenger carrying vehicles, for each year from 2018-19 to 2023-24 (to date), how many notices were issued and what was the value of the fines (if applicable) for (a) warning, (b) minor defect and (c) major defect.
3. How many ACT Public Servants are currently authorised as vehicle inspectors (excluding police).

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

1. (a) Inspections Undertaken

Timeframe	Total
Jul 2018 – Apr 2019*	48,658
May 2019 – Jun 2019*	6,448
Jul 2019 – Jun 2020	22,051
Jul 2020 – Jun 2021	31,093
Jul 2021 – Jun 2022	6,685
Jul 2022 – Jun 2023	8,176
Jul 2023 – Jan 2024	16,210

(b) Defects Issued

	Jul 2018 – Apr 2019*	May 2019 – Jun 2019*	Jul 2019 – Jun 2020	Jul 2020 – Jun 2021	Jul 2021 – Jun 2022	Jul 2022 – Jun 2023	Jul 2023 – Jan 2024
Passenger Carrying Vehicles							
Major defects	-	-	34	10	4	13	31
Minor defects	-	-	392	325	89	267	476
Warnings	-	-	39	68	16	21	39
Goods Carrying Vehicles							
Major defects	-	-	2	1	1	3	5
Minor defects	-	-	67	39	22	65	147
Warnings	-	-	7	6	1	1	0
Total	-	-	541	449	133	370	698

*The data for 2018-2019 period was recorded in two different systems due to a change of technology. The old system did not report vehicle category. A changeover in systems commenced in April 2019.

The figures do not include the approximately 12,000 booked vehicle inspections annually at Hume Motor Vehicle Inspection station.

2. Vehicle Safety Standards authorised officers are able to issue infringement notices however do not generally issue an infringement notice for vehicles receiving a defect. Registered operators are required to pay to repair the vehicle and pay for an inspection to have the defect cleared to allow for the vehicle to be back on the road. The key focus of the inspection activities is to ensure that safe and roadworthy vehicles are on travelling on our roads.
3. There are currently 18 authorised officers.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

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