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Written Question

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Asked of: Hon. Jeanie Ehaloak

Minister responsible for the Department of Justice

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Subject: Child abuse in Nunavut - Registered Sex Offenders

Purpose: Sexual violations against children and youth in Nunavut is a pressing concern. Children and youth in Nunavut experience sexual abuse at a rate 10 times the national average. Not only do these offences have immediate negative physical, emotional, and psychological impacts, they can also have damaging long-term effects on the children and youth who are the victims of these crimes.

I recognize this is a difficult topic to discuss, but it is our role to stand up for those who cannot stand up for themselves. There is a sense that people in decision making roles are not aware of the wide spread nature of child sexual abuse, and are not putting strategies in place to respond.

I believe that it is in the best interest to make public statistical information and trends related to child sexual abuse to identify areas of concern, in order to properly address them.

1. How many individuals are currently listed as registered sex offenders in Nunavut?

2. How many individuals currently listed as registered sex offenders in Nunavut, and are convicted with a child sex offence?
3. What is the process for determining high-risk child sex offenders?
4. How many individuals currently listed as registered sex offenders in Nunavut convicted with a child sex offence, and listed as high-risk child sex offenders?
5. Of the individuals that are currently listed as registered sex offenders in Nunavut, how many reside in Iqaluit both in correctional facilities and out of correctional facilities respectively?
6. Of the individuals that currently listed as registered sex offenders in Nunavut and have been convicted with a child sex offence, how many reside in Iqaluit both in correctional facilities and out of correctional facilities respectively?
7. Of the individuals that currently listed as registered sex offenders in Nunavut and have been convicted with a child sex offence and listed as high-risk child sex offenders, how many reside in Iqaluit both in correctional facilities and out of correctional facilities respectively?
8. What conditions or court orders are placed on registered sexual offenders?
9. What conditions or court orders are placed on registered sexual offenders convicted of child sexual offences?
10. What conditions or court orders are placed on registered sexual offenders convicted of child sexual offences and listed as high-risk child sex offenders?
11. Is the public notified when registered sex offenders are released from correction facilities?
12. Are there extra precautions taken when releasing a high-risk sex offender from a correction facility?
13. What are the reporting requirements of registered sex offenders in Nunavut?
14. What are the reporting requirements of registered sex offenders listed as high-risk child sex offenders in Nunavut?

15. How often are persons convicted of a sex offence required to provide updates for change addresses or legal name, employment or volunteer activity, and how is this enforced and verified?
16. How often are persons convicted of a sex offence and listed as high-risk child sex offenders required to provide updates for change addresses or legal name, employment or volunteer activity, and how is this enforced and verified?
17. What penalties exist if sexual offenders do not meet the reporting requirements?
18. How often are the penalties for failing to comply with a registration order applied? Please provide the number of failures to comply for the last 5 fiscal years respectively.
19. Are registered sex offenders required to inform the RCMP of any travel out of their listed community? If travel advisory is not required why not?