LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Education:

Teacher Numbers

- 1. How many school teachers have separated between 1 July 2017 and 31 June 2018? Please break down for primary, middle years and senior years teachers and by type of separation: resignation, termination, retirement, permanent transfer.
- 2. How many new school teachers have commenced on temporary contracts between 1 July 2017 and 31 June 2018? Please break down for primary, middle years and senior years teachers.
- 3. How many new teachers have commenced permanent employment between 1 July 2017 and 31 June 2018? Please break down for primary, middle years and senior years teachers.
- 4. How many teachers have been recruited from interstate?
- 5. How many school teachers on temporary contracts have become permanent between 1 July 2017 and 31 June 2018? Please break down for primary, middle years and senior years teachers.
- 6. How many have been recruited from interstate?

ANSWER:

1. 176 classroom teachers separated between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018.

Separation by school type	Number of staff
Primary school	62
Middle school	12
Senior/high school	30
Combined school	72
Total:	176

Please note, the 'school type' in the above table is based on the list of published schools by region - current as at July 2018. Combined schools include remote schools, small schools, special schools, distance schools, language centres and flexible learning centres.

Separation reason	Number of staff
Resignation	161
Retired	8
Terminated - Probation	2
Terminated - External Workers Compensation	1
Deceased	2
Dismissal	2
Total:	176

2. 378 classroom teachers commenced on temporary contracts between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018. The break-down is as follows:

Commencements by school type	Number of staff
Primary school	154
Middle school	30
Secondary school	70
Combined school	124
Total:	378

- 3. There were five newly recruited classroom teachers that commenced permanent employment between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018. Four were recruited to primary schools and one was recruited to a secondary school.
- 4. Of the five new classroom teachers that commenced permanent employment, two were recruited from interstate.
- 5. A further 23 existing fixed period classroom teachers were appointed to ongoing positions via advertised vacancies between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018.

Since the implementation of the Teacher Permanency Strategy in October 2017, an additional 192 existing fixed period teachers have been appointed as ongoing.

In total, 220 classroom teachers were permanently appointed between 1 July 2017 and 30 June 2018.

Ongoing appointments by school type	Number of staff
Primary school	99
Middle school	13
Secondary school	38
Combined school	70
Total:	220

6. Of the existing teachers that were converted to ongoing, the department does not have data readily available on where they were originally recruited from.