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*2246 TAFE FEES—Mr Richard Amery asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

- (1) Has the New South Wales Teachers Federation expressed concerns about the latest round of increases in TAFE fees?
- (2) What impact has the increase in TAFE fees had on enrolments at TAFE colleges?
- (3) With the new fee structure, how do New South Wales TAFE fees compare to fees charged in all other Australian States?

Answer—

In response to discussions with the NSW Teachers Federation, the Iemma Government introduced a fee refund as an incentive to help TAFE students complete the Higher School Certificate or its equivalent, the Tertiary Preparation Certificate. The refund, worth \$2 million a year, commenced in 2008 and is payable on completion.

As at 30 March 2008 the overall enrolment figures have increased by 2.7% in a year-to-date comparison with 2007.

Fees in other jurisdictions can vary from student to student and qualification to qualification, depending on the course duration and the choice of subjects taken. TAFE NSW fees are based on qualification level, rather than elective choice, length or delivery mode. This means that students know in advance what their fee will be.

There is a great variation in the fees charged by public and private providers across Australia and each State operates under a different model. This makes direct comparisons difficult.

TAFE NSW has an extremely generous concession and exemption policy.

*2248 ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICERS—Mr Greg Aplin asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

In addition to the Albury LAC, which three other Local Area Commands in NSW will be allocated Aboriginal Community Liaison Officers through funding from the Commonwealth Department of Family and Community Services and Indigenous Affairs?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that the three Local Area Commands are Lower Hunter, Lachlan and Tweed/Byron.

*2249 PATIENTS TRAVELLING ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT—Ms Gladys Berejiklian asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

In relation to concerns raised by Dr Jean Lennane regarding the difficulties involved with patients travelling on public transport from Rozelle to Concord:

- (1) When does the Minister intend to respond to the correspondence which your office indicated in writing would be forthcoming back in October 2007?
- (2) What is the response to the concerns raised?
- (3) What action will be taken to address this important issue?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (3) A response was sent to Minister Firth in regards to this issue on 3 April, 2008.

*2250 COMMUTER SURVEY CONSULTANCY—Ms Gladys Berejiklian asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

Who were the other tenderers for the commuter survey consultancy secured by the Boston Consulting Group which the Minister said would be at a cost of \$10 million?

Answer—

I am advised:

Boston Consulting Group was engaged in accordance with NSW Premier's Department Guidelines for the Engagement and Use of Consultants (July 2004).

*2251 CHATSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL UPGRADE—Ms Gladys Berejiklian asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

- (1) What is the status of upgrades to Chatswood High School?
- (2) Will the Minister ensure the broader community that there will not be further unnecessary delay to the much needed capital works program?

Answer—

Stage one of a project to upgrade Chatswood High School was completed at the end of 2007 at a cost of \$4.8 million.

Funding for the second stage of the upgrade was approved in the 2007/2008 Major Capital Works Program. Planning for the project is proceeding in accordance with projected milestones.

*2252 CHATSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL UPGRADE—Ms Gladys Berejiklian asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

What is the status of the application by Chatswood Primary School in relation to vital capital works upgrades at the school?

Answer—

The Department of Education and Training has noted the need to carry out a major upgrade at Chatswood Primary School.

The project is being considered against competing statewide priorities for inclusion in a future Major Capital Works Program.

*2255 DR REEVES—Mr Andrew Constance asked the Minister for Health—

Why did Southern Area Health Service fail to contact the medical board in relation to Dr Reeves' credentials when he revealed to the health service that he had conditions placed upon him by the medical board?

Answer—

The Member is referred to statements provided in the Parliament in relation to this matter on 28 February 2008, Tuesday 4 March 2008 and Thursday 6 March 2008.

As stated, the matter regarding Dr Reeves' employment at the former Southern Area Health Service has been referred to the Special Commission of Inquiry established to inquire into and report upon matters concerning the delivery of acute care services in public hospitals in New South Wales.

Additionally the Health Care Complaints Commission has commenced an investigation concerning the employment of Dr Reeves by the Greater Southern Area Health Service.

*2256 "CLEANER NSW GOVERNMENT FLEET"—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

In relation to the "Cleaner NSW Government Fleet" announcement on 17 November 2004 and the Minister's response to Question 1607:

- (1) Compared with the performance of the StateFleet in the "base year" of 2004-05, what has been the subsequent reduction in the StateFleet's:
 - (a) fuel costs;
 - (b) running costs;
 - (c) greenhouse gas emissions?
- (2) Which Government agencies have not yet submitted a "Fleet Improvement Plan" "by end of 2006-07"?
- (3) Which Government agencies have not achieved the required "Environment Performance Score Target" "by end of 2006-07"?
- (4) Which Government agencies have not achieved the required "Greenhouse Reduction Target" "by end of 2006-07"?

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- (5) Given that "Table 5" of the "Fleet Improvement Plan" records the "number of vehicles (less than 3.5 tonnes GVM by fuel type" for each Government agency, what is the total "number of vehicles (less than 3.5 tonnes GVM)" using each of the following fuel types in the StateFleet in 2006-07:
- "Petrol";
 - "E10 petrol";
 - "Auto diesel";
 - "LPG";
 - "Ethanol";
 - "Bio-diesel";
 - "CNG";
 - "Other"?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government has initiated policies aimed at changing the composition of the state's vehicle fleet to improve its overall environmental performance. Policies already implemented in support of these goals include:

- the removal of V8 powered vehicles from the NSW Motor Vehicle Contracts (where this does not impair operational requirements);
- the Cleaner Fleet Initiative; and
- move to more fuel efficient vehicles.

These policies have encouraged the use of smaller, cleaner and less polluting vehicles within the fleet, reduced fuel, running costs and greenhouse gas emissions; and delivered savings on vehicle lease and fuel costs.

The NSW Government is continuing to promote the use of E10 in Government fleet vehicles and is in discussions with major retailers to increase uptake in the future.

*2257 PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS AND PEDESTRIAN REFUGES—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

In relation to pedestrian crossings and pedestrian refuges:

- (1) What road rules apply specifically to pedestrian crossings?
- (2) What road rules apply specifically to pedestrian refuges?
- (3) What road rules apply specifically to the combination of pedestrian crossings and pedestrian refuges?
- (4) Is the Minister aware that previous pedestrian safety surveys have found "confusion over the status of pedestrian refuges" (p. 11) (Rouse, R., 2002. "Pedestrian Safety in New South Wales - Trends, Attitudes and Key Issues")?
- (5) Given that the "Roads and Traffic Authority Annual Report 2002" states, "the RTA conducted qualitative and quantitative research into pedestrian safety" (p. 26) in 2002, is this research publicly available?
- (6) Does the Roads and Traffic Authority have accident and injury data related to the comparison of pedestrian crossings, pedestrian refuges, and combined pedestrian crossings and refuges?
- (7) What research has the Roads and Traffic Authority conducted in relation to the safety implications of pedestrian crossings combined with pedestrian refuges and resulting motorist confusion?

Answer—

I am advised:

The rules relating to pedestrian crossings are contained in the Australian Road Rules, which can be found online at www.rta.nsw.gov.au/rulesregulations/downloads/pts1-21.pdf

The RTA is currently conducting a study of pedestrian and driver behaviour on a range of different pedestrian facilities. This study will provide valuable information on how pedestrians and drivers behave at pedestrian facilities including traffic lights, crossings and pedestrian refuges.

The results of this study will inform public policy and guide the development of strategies for improving pedestrian safety around crossings.

*2258 SYDNEY FERRIES—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

In relation to Sydney Ferries and the Minister's responses to Questions 0377, 1120 and 1958:

- (1) Given the Minister's response to Question 1958 that Sydney's Ferries "passenger data is publicly available on Sydney Ferries Corporation website", where on the website domain www.sydneyferries.info is monthly "passenger data" available?
- (2) If monthly "passenger data" is not available on the website domain www.sydneyferries.info, can the Minister make that unpublished monthly data available, as has been the case with previous questions to the Minister, for the following wharves between July 2004 to February 2008:
 - (a) Darling Point;
 - (b) Double Bay;
 - (c) Rose Bay;
 - (d) Watsons Bay?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Sydney Ferries Corporation reports on passenger journeys as required in its annual report.

*2259 PUBLIC RESERVE MANAGEMENT FUND—Mr Andrew Fraser asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

- (1) What is the amount of money currently held in the Public Reserve Management Fund?
- (2) What is the total amount of money received by the fund over the past 10 years?
- (3) What is the total number of loans given by the fund?
- (4) How many loans are outstanding?
- (5) How much interest has the fund earned?
- (6) What loans have defaulted?
- (7) What grants have been made to reserves from the fund?
- (8) What is the annual income from reserves to the fund?

Answer—

- (1) \$14,790,756 as at 18 March 2008. However, most of this money is committed to projects approved but not paid to trust managers.
- (2) \$28,268,092 for the period 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2007. The administration of the Public Reserves Management Fund was transferred to the Department of Lands in April 2003 and prior to that period it was administered by a number of other departments.
- (3) 237 loans totalling \$19,986,235 for the period 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2007.
- (4) As at 30 June 2007 there were 451 loans outstanding with uncalled principal of \$21,841,522.
- (5) \$2,832,092 for the period 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2007.
- (6) 7 loans totalling \$186,981 for the period 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2007.
- (7) \$5,403,742 for the period 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2007.
- (8) Approximately \$3.3 million per annum.

*2260 SPEED CAMERA—EWINGSDALE—Mr Andrew Fraser asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

On how many times, between 1 May 2007 until 30 November 2007, has an RTA technical officer been required to work on the speed camera located at the bottom of the St Helena Range at Ewingsdale?

Answer—

I am advised:

During the period 1 May to 30 November 2007 the fixed speed camera at Ewingsdale was visited on at least 14 occasions by Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) authorised officers as follows:

RTA authorised officers attended the site on 11 occasions to complete certification tests of the camera recording device as required under Section 47 of the Road Transport (Safety & Traffic Management) Act 1999. On all 11 occasions the camera recording device was certified as accurate and operating to the manufacturer's specifications.

The Ewingsdale camera site was audited on 24 July 2007 by an RTA authorised Officer. The speed measurement system and camera recording device were found to be working correctly. The site was also attended by the camera suppliers who confirmed the camera's accurate operation.

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In line with the RTA's requirement of regular assessment of fixed speed cameras, a Sydney-based senior RTA technician attended the site on 12 October 2007 and confirmed the continued accurate operation of the camera.

The RTA confirms that both the speed measuring device and the camera recording device were operating accurately during the period 1 May to 30 November 2007.

*2261 UNANSWERED REPRESENTATIONS—Mr Chris Hartcher asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

(1) When will my representation with the following reference number be responded to:

S165166?

(2) When will my representations on behalf of the following be responded to:

Ms Jennifer Gray 18 July 2007?

Answer—

I am advised that both representations have been responded to.

*2262 UNANSWERED REPRESENTATIONS—Mr Chris Hartcher asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

When will my representations with the following reference numbers be responded to:

RML 100506;

RML 100320;

RML 94573;

RML 101632?

Answer—

I am advised:

A response to RML 100506 was sent to the Member for Terrigal on 13 March 2008.

A response to RML 100320 was sent to the Member for Terrigal on 7 March 2008.

A response to RML 94573 was sent to the Member for Terrigal on 27 September 2007.

A response to RML 101632 was sent to the Member for Terrigal on 3 April 2008.

*2264 MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOLS—WAKEHURST ELECTORATE—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

(1) What is the value of the outstanding maintenance at each government school in the Wakehurst electorate?

(2) What steps are being taken to deliver maintenance to the said schools?

(3) What is the anticipated date the backlog of maintenance will be cleared?

Answer—

Maintenance in schools in the Wakehurst electorate, as in all NSW government schools is an ongoing activity, constantly delivered throughout the year through a comprehensive suite of initiatives designed to best meet a range of circumstances:

- Preventative Maintenance is regular work performed by a contractor to keep specific building elements and equipment in good repair.
- Programmed Maintenance is work based on items that are picked up in the bi-annual condition assessments of each school. Annual maintenance plans are developed by schools in conjunction with their local Asset Management Unit.
- Essential Urgent Repairs are maintenance works undertaken immediately by the contractor if required by the school, with the school contributing up to its specific contribution limit.
- The Extra Maintenance Program is a four year statewide program aimed at injecting additional funding into priority areas.

The Department of Education and Training continues to work with school Principals and school communities to identify priority projects to deliver safe, well-maintained learning environments for the students of NSW.

*2265 MANLY HOSPITAL—EAST WING—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

- (1) What number of patients have been treated in Manly Hospital on an "in-bed" basis in East Wing in each of the last 5 years?
- (2) What budget has been expended on services in each of the years above?
- (3) What is the total number of out patients that have been treated in East Wing or associated out patient mental health services at Manly Hospital in each of the last 5 years?
- (4) What budget has been expended on services in (3) in each of the years above?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Department of Health routinely publishes information at an Area Health Service level on mental health acute inpatient care (separations from overnight stays) and ambulatory care (contacts) in its Annual Report.

*2267 NORTHERN BEACHES LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

Regarding the disclosure of the structural problems in Northern Beaches Local Area Command at Dee Why in the Manly Daily on 4 and 5 March 2008:

- (1) Will the Minister agree to accompany me in March or April 2008 to the Local Area Command to review the problems?
- (2) Will the Minister direct that the Local Area Command be reviewed to consider rebuilding or upgrading the Local Area Command?

Answer—

- (1) I visited Dee Why police station on 11 March 2008.
- (2) I am advised the NSW Police Force has requested that United Group Services Pty Ltd provide advice, options and costings on improvement works at the premises. Once these options and costings are received, the NSW Police Force will consider for approval an appropriate program of works.

*2269 SCHOOL COUNSELLORS—WAKERHURST ELECTORATE—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

What number of school counsellors were/are available in schools in the Wakehurst electorate in:

- (a) 2005;
- (b) 2006;
- (c) 2007;
- (d) 2008?

Answer—

The number of school counsellors allocated to schools in the Wakehurst Electorate for each year from 2005 to 2008 follows:

- (a) 2005—5.89 full time equivalent
- (b) 2006—6.16 full time equivalent
- (c) 2007—6.16 full time equivalent
- (d) 2008—6.53 full time equivalent

School counsellors are one component of an extensive network of support for students in government schools.

*2271 ROADWORKS—WAKEHURST ELECTORATE—Mr Brad Hazzard asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- (1) What works have been undertaken since 1 July 2007 in the Wakehurst electorate?
- (2) What is the total value of each works project?

Answer—

I am advised that various works have been undertaken including concrete pavement rehabilitation, a bus lane upgrade, an intersection upgrade and asphalt resurfacing on Pittwater Road and asphalt resurfacing on various other roads including Wakehurst Parkway, Forest Way and Warringah Road.

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*2272 SPEECH THERAPIST AT YASS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) Has a replacement for the vacant Speech Therapist position at Yass Community Health Service been employed?
- (2) If not, how many applications has Greater Southern Area Health Service received for this position?
- (3) How many patients access speech therapy services through the Yass Community Health Service?
- (4) While urgent cases are being supported by the Speech Therapist in Goulburn, what measures are in place to provide speech therapy services to non-urgent cases?
- (5) How many of the patients accessing speech therapy services through the Yass Community Health Service are classified as (a) urgent and (b) non-urgent?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Yes.
- (3) In 2006-07, there were 3,103 occasions of service for Speech Therapy at Yass Community Health Service.
- (4) The position of Speech Pathologist at the Yass Community Health Service has now been filled.
- (5) Priority clients are those inpatients with dysphagia issues and for outpatients, priority is based on individual assessment at referral.

*2273 CORPORATE SERVICES EFFICIENCY REVIEW—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) When will the Corporate Services Efficiency Review of the function and deployment of administrative staff in the NSW Police Force be completed?
- (2) Has a draft report of the review been produced yet?
- (3) If so, does the draft recommend the redeployment of civilian General Support Officers out of local police stations?
- (4) If so, which Police stations in the electorate of Burrinjuck will be affected by this redeployment?
- (5) Has the review received any submissions from Local Area Commands within the electorate of Burrinjuck recommending the redeployment of civilian General Support Officers out of local police stations?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- (1) The Corporate Services Efficiency Review is a program of continuous improvement across the NSW Police Force.
- (2) Regular updates are provided on the various projects incorporated in the Review.
- (3) The duties of General Support Officers will be combined with those of Court Process Officers and Clerical Officers to form the new multi-skilled General Administrative Support Officer positions, available to be flexibly deployed according to the operational needs of Local Area Commands.
- (4) and (5) Staffing allocations within a Local Area Command are matters for the Local Area Commander.

*2274 DOCS STAFFING—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Community Services—

- (1) As of 6 March 2008 how many established positions for child protection caseworkers are there within the Department of Community Services?
- (2) How many of these positions are actually filled?
- (3) As of 6 March 2007 how many established positions for child protection caseworkers were there within the Department of Community Services?
- (4) How many of these positions were actually filled as of 6 March 2007?

Answer—

- (1) 1,042 of the total number of caseworker positions at 6 March 2008 are designated caseworker, child protection.
- (2) 887.
- (3) 840.
- (4) 494.

*2275 HORNSBY HOSPITAL CLEANERS—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many cleaners are employed at Hornsby Hospital?

- (2) Is the full staff complement filled?
 (3) If not, why not?
 (4) What checks are performed to ensure adequate standards of cleanliness throughout the hospital?
 (5) Are these always met?
 (6) If not, when are they not met?

Answer—

I am advised by the Chief Executive of the Northern Sydney and Central Coast Area Health Service:

(1) to (3) There are 39 FTE cleaner positions at Hornsby Hospital. There are two cleaning positions currently vacant. One position is vacant, following the resignation of an employee. Another cleaner has been seconded to cleaning auditor duties for a period of three to six months.

(4) A range of inspections are conducted at each facility, as part of the quality assurance process, to assess compliance with the NSW Cleaning Services Standard Guidelines for Health Care Facilities.

Internal inspections are undertaken by site Environmental Operations supervisors and managers, as well as by dedicated cleaning auditors. In addition, monthly inspections are undertaken by an independent external agency at each site.

(5) and (6) While the Northern Sydney and Central Coast Area Health Service always endeavours to meet the cleaning standards contained within the Guidelines, the rigorous inspection regime ensures the prompt identification of areas where improvement is required. This may include the re-allocation of resources to priority areas in the event of a shift vacancy.

*2276 SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

How many RTA-funded school crossing supervisors were employed in the Hornsby local government area for the years 2000-2007 inclusive and at what cost per year?

Answer—

I am advised:

The number of approved school crossing supervisors is set out hereunder:

Year	Number
2000	15
2001	18
2002	19
2003	24
2004	25
2005	30
2006	32
2007	35

The cost to employ school crossing supervisors in the Hornsby local government area is approximately \$220,000 per annum.

*2278 SCHOOL BUS PASSES—Mr Malcolm Kerr asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

How many school students in the Cronulla electorate as at 28 February 2008 were issued with bus passes?

Answer—

I am advised:

Student travel records are not attributed to electorates.

*2279 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Malcolm Kerr asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

What schools in the Cronulla electorate have not had flashing lights to indicate the 40 km/h school zones installed on RTA roads?

Answer—

I am advised:

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All schools in NSW are considered against the selection criteria for school zone speed alert systems, including all schools in the Cronulla electorate.

The school zones to be treated are selected for the new technology rollout based on safety criteria including traffic and pedestrian volumes, crash history and crash risk. Therefore, the school zones that are at high risk will be treated first.

Four hundred school zones are to be fitted with flashing lights over the next four years, with 100 schools per year receiving the new technology. The four year school zone safety program will cost \$46.5M and will be funded by revenue from speed cameras installed in school zones.

To date, school zone speed alert systems have been installed at two locations within the Cronulla electorate. They are located at:

- Taren Point Road, Caringbah adjacent to Caringbah High School and Endeavour Sports High School; and
- Taren Point Road, Taren Point adjacent to Taren Point Public School.

*2280 ISOLATED PATIENTS TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION ASSISTANCE SCHEME—Mr Daryl Maguire asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) What steps have been taken to alter the wording on the Isolated Patients Travel and Accommodation Assistance Scheme (IPTAAS) so that it does not conflict with the wording in NSW Health's Administration Manual?
- (2) How many patients in Greater Southern Area Health Service claiming IPTAAS have been affected due to the conflict in wording?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) The Member's question is ambiguous and any interpretation of the question would be subjective. I suggest the Member provide further clarification if a response to this issue is still required.

*2281 PEDESTRIAN PRIORITY FOR TRAFFIC LIGHTS—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

With regard to international public space expert Jahn Gehl's comments last year that pedestrians get low priority at traffic lights in the Central Business District (CBD):

- (1) What is the average duration of all traffic lights in the CBD for which green lights are activated for pedestrians, allowing them to cross the road?
- (2) What is the average duration of all traffic signals in the CBD for which green lights are activated for cars, allowing them to cross intersections?
- (3) What is the average duration of all traffic signals in the Sydney Electorate for which green lights are activated for pedestrians, allowing them to cross the road?
- (4) What is the average duration of all traffic signals in the Sydney Electorate for which green lights are activated for cars, allowing them to cross intersections?
- (5) How many traffic lights in the CBD provide green lights for pedestrians to cross?
- (6) Of these:
 - (a) How many require pedestrians to apply to cross by pressing a push button?
 - (b) How many do not require pedestrians to apply to cross by pressing a push button?
- (7) How many traffic lights in the Sydney Electorate provide green lights for pedestrians to cross?
- (8) Of these:
 - (a) How many require pedestrians to apply to cross by pressing a push button?
 - (b) How many do not require pedestrians to apply to cross by pressing a push button?
- (9) How does the Roads and Traffic Authority determine which traffic signals require pedestrians to push buttons to apply to cross the road and which do not?
- (10) What assessments have been made to increase the number of traffic signals that allow pedestrians to cross without having to apply through pushing a button, particularly in the CBD and inner Sydney?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (4) All traffic signals in the Sydney CBD and the Electorate of Sydney are controlled by the Sydney Coordinated Adaptive Traffic System (SCATS), which continually changes green time for each

approach on a cycle by cycle basis, depending on traffic volume and level of congestion. As such, it is not possible to determine an average time that an approach receives a green signal at any set of traffic signals. Similarly, pedestrian walk times are dependant on the width of the roadway being crossed and therefore walk times will also vary from intersection to intersection.

(5) All but one signalised intersection in the Sydney CBD provide one or more walk signals for pedestrians. The intersection that does not is at the junction of the Cahill Express off ramp and Conservatorium road, where there are no connecting footpaths.

(6) The vast majority of signalised intersections in the Sydney CBD require pedestrians to push a button to activate the pedestrian walk signal. However during pedestrian peak times, all pedestrian crossings at signalised intersections in the CBD area bounded by Eddy Avenue, Circular Quay, Sussex Street, College Street and along Oxford, William and Macquarie Streets are automatically introduced irrespective of whether the pedestrian button is pressed or not.

(7) In the Electorate of Sydney there are a small minority of traffic signals that do not provide walk signals for pedestrians. However, the RTA now has a policy to provide pedestrian crossings across all legs of new traffic signal installations, unless there is adverse geometry such as a cliff wall or embankment on the other side of the road, or there is no way that a pedestrian can safely continue their journey.

(8) The majority of traffic lights in Electorate of Sydney that have a signalised pedestrian crossing, require pedestrians to push a button to provide a green light for them to begin crossing, other than at the times and locations mentioned in the answer to Question 6.

(9) The current times and locations for automatic activation of pedestrian crossings in the Sydney CBD was the result of a review of pedestrian amenity that was undertaken by the RTA and Sydney City Council.

(10) A road safety assessment of the CBD entertainment precincts has been undertaken due to the large number of higher risk pedestrians using these areas, particularly in the evening. As a consequence, additional signal sites along parts of George Street and Oxford Street have had their automatic pedestrian activation times increased.

*2283 NATIONAL ART SCHOOL—Ms Clover Moore asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

With respect to the long-term future of the National Art School:

- (1) What is the outcome of the taskforce, set up to identify options for the future of the National Art School, that was due to report before the end of 2007?
- (2) Will the NSW Government maintain the National Art School and its unique atelier model?
- (3) Will the NSW Government seek funds and support from the Commonwealth Government to promote the National Art School as an independent national cultural institution?
- (4) What action has the NSW Government taken to ensure the future of the National Art School since the taskforce was established?
- (5) Is the Government aware of the City of Sydney Research and Urban Cultures report proposing an arts and cultural quarter focussed on Oxford Street and Taylor Square, and what role does the Government see for the National Art School in such a precinct?
- (6) What decisions has the Government made about funds to ensure the continued operation of the National Art School?

Answer—

The Taskforce has provided its report and this is under consideration by the Government.

The Government is aware of the City of Sydney research and an Urban Cultures report.

The NSW Government is currently providing recurrent funding to the National Art School.

*2285 GOVERNMENT FUNDED INSURANCE SCHEME—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Minister for Community Services—

What consideration has been given to introducing a NSW Government funded insurance scheme to assist not-for-profit community service organisations, as currently exists with VMIA in Victoria?

Answer—

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In 2002 the Council of Social Service NSW (NCOSS) received funding from the State Government for a project to assist not-for-profit agencies experiencing difficulties obtaining insurance cover or struggling with increasing premiums. NCOSS now offers its members access to a 'Community Cover' Scheme, which includes public liability, association protector, property, personal accident volunteers and motor vehicle insurance.

*2287 ASSISTANCE FOR PARENTS WITH ADULT DISABLED CHILDREN—Mr Donald Page asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) What is the number of disabled children over the age of 30 years in NSW who are being cared for at home by their parents?
- (2) What is the number of parents over the age of 65 years who are full-time carers for their disabled adult children?
- (3) What is the Government doing to relieve the burden on these parents who are providing a service that would otherwise cost the Government a substantial amount of money?
- (4) What provision is the Government making to look after adult disabled children when their parents are either too old or too sick to look after them any longer?
- (5) How many group homes are there in NSW?
- (6) (a) Does the Government plan to buy or build more group homes in future?
(b) If so, how many?
- (7) What Government assistance is currently available for elderly parents who are caring for their disabled adult children?

Answer—

(1) According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers 2003, the number of people with a moderate, severe or profound disability aged 30 years and above who are living with and being cared for by their parents in NSW is 6,814.

(2) According to the Australian Bureau of Statistics Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers 2003, the number of parents aged 65 (inclusive) and over who spend more than 40 hours per week providing care for their adult children (defined as over 18 years of age) with a moderate, severe or profound disability in NSW is 1573.

(3) Older parent carers are a unique group of carers and the NSW Government recognises their particular needs and is addressing them through a range of measures.

The NSW Action Plan for Carers 2007-2012 includes strategies to better support older parent carers and highlights the additional services funded under a Bilateral Agreement with the Commonwealth Government.

In May 2006, the NSW and Commonwealth Governments signed a Bilateral Agreement for the provision of additional respite services for ageing parents caring for their sons and daughters with a disability. This is a joint initiative by both Governments that will see over \$48 million being made available for additional services.

The Respite for Ageing Parent Carers Program in NSW has four components aimed at providing additional respite, support and access to services for ageing parent carers of sons and daughters with a disability. The four components are:

- Flexible Respite Packages;
- Centre-Based Respite;
- Flexible Day Options for sons and daughters of older parent carers; and
- Support Coordination Program.

All components offer services specifically for parents aged 65 years and over who are caring for a son or daughter with a disability. In recognition of shorter life expectancies, higher mortality rates at all ages and earlier ageing experiences of Aboriginal people, Aboriginal parent carers aged 45 years and over are eligible to access these services.

The focus of this major funding initiative has been on increasing opportunities for respite, but the 19 Support Coordination services also offer case management, carer support and succession planning. These services are specifically targeted to older parent carers who are not currently accessing support services.

(4) As answer in (3).

Further, in May 2006, the NSW Government launched Stronger Together: A new direction for disability services in NSW 2006-2016. Supported with funding of \$1.3 billion over five years from 2006/07,

Stronger Together provides for the expansion of community support and specialist support accommodation services.

Under Stronger Together, an additional 990 specialist accommodation support places will be established over the five years from 2006/07 to 2010/11.

These services are in addition to the 1260 respite places being established over the first five years of Stronger Together.

(5) The Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (DADHC) operates or funds over 600 group homes across NSW.

(6) (a) and (b) The Government is committed to increasing the range of accommodation options available across NSW. DADHC has developed an Innovative Accommodation Framework which provides for a range of accommodation options for those requiring low levels of support and those requiring high levels of support.

These options extend beyond the group home model to include drop-in support, villas and apartments and cluster models. The Framework also provides for flexible packages which have yet to be developed in detail.

These new options will be progressively established over the next three years under Stronger Together. A total of 990 new accommodation places are being established under Stronger Together from 2006/07 to 2010/11.

(7) As above.

The 2007–08 Budget has allocated a total of \$1.894 billion to the Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (DADHC), an increase of \$137 million over the previous year. This includes services that will assist older carers such as:

- New therapy positions at a cost of \$3.3 million
- \$1.3 million in additional respite funding

The NSW Government, through DADHC, also provides funding support of \$528,520 per annum to Carers NSW, which is the peak body supporting the carers of NSW.

*2288 JUSTICE OF THE PEACE—ONLINE REGISTER—Mr Greg Piper asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

Can the Minister explain the Roads and Traffic Authority's inability to verify Justices of the Peace via the Attorney General's online Register, when clients produce JP certified documents for processing?

Answer—

I am advised that the RTA only accepts customers' original proof of identify documents when identifying themselves to the RTA. Certified photocopies of identity documents are not accepted due to the real possibility of unscrupulous people making fraudulent applications.

The primary purpose of the Attorney General's online service is to allow people to locate a JP in a local area or to check that another person is currently registered as a JP. It does not provide a sample signature of the JP. Checking is done by using a JP registration number, name and postcode.

Although this service provides assurance that the JP is registered, it does not provide any assurance that a document bearing a JP signature is genuine.

*2290 CITYRAIL SURVEY—Mr Greg Piper asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

Why did the 2007 CityRail customer survey not include Lake Macquarie and Newcastle users of the Newcastle and Central Coast line?

Answer—

I am advised:

CityRail has been conducting customer surveys since the third quarter of 2006. Customers travelling from Newcastle and the Central Coast have been and are included in this sample. These particular surveys are conducted on board different trains at different times and target customers randomly.

*2291 YOUTH CRIME PREVENTION INITIATIVES—Mr Geoff Provest asked the Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Western Sydney, Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—

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Given that the Queensland Government has developed a number of youth crime prevention initiatives, including organised sports teams, concerts, the establishment of youth action groups in different cities and drug and alcohol awareness sessions:

- (1) What youth crime prevention initiatives are currently being undertaken by the NSW Government?
- (2) What youth crime prevention initiatives are planned for NSW in the future and what are the dates on which they are expected to be launched?

Answer—

While the Department of Juvenile Justice operates a range of programs to combat recidivism for those young people who are already demonstrating a propensity for crime, the Attorney General's Department conducts crime prevention initiatives.

It is therefore more appropriate that the Member direct his question to my colleague the Hon. John Hatzistergos MLC, Attorney General and Minister for Justice, for his consideration.

*2292 SURGE BED STRATEGY—TWEED HOSPITAL—Mr Geoff Provost asked the Minister for Health—

Given that the success of the proposed "surge bed" strategy at Tweed Hospital depends on the delivery of healthcare services at home to non-critical patients and that this home healthcare service cannot begin until additional medical and allied health staff are recruited to the Tweed Hospital:

- (1) Has recruitment for medical and allied health staff positions for the home healthcare services at Tweed Hospital begun?
- (2) How many positions for this home healthcare service have been filled and how many are still vacant?
- (3) When will all medical and allied health staff positions for this home healthcare service be filled?
- (4) When is the "surge bed" strategy expected to commence at Tweed Hospital?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) North Coast Area Health Service has implemented strategies to enhance Home Health Care Services in the Tweed Valley including an additional 2.5 permanent Fulltime Equivalent (FTE) nursing positions to provide community chronic respiratory and cardiac care programs. Also recruitment of 4.5 FTE permanent Nursing & Allied Health positions for the transitional aged care program has been completed. This program has an aged care focus and promotes care of the elderly in a community setting. An additional permanent 1.6 FTE Nursing & Allied Health positions are in the final stages of recruitment to provide more Community Health Care and Hospital in the Home Services.

Additional community packages (COMPACS) are available within the Tweed Valley. North Coast Area Health Service broker these Packages from a number of non-government organisations under the COMPACS program. These organisations provide staff to undertake specific services provided to patients in the Community.

(3) The staffing numbers required is continually being reassessed. As more positions are added, these will be filled by recruitment. Also if existing staff leave, a vacancy will be created which will be filled through recruitment.

(4) North Coast Area Health Service Executive is reviewing aspects of the alternative to admission bed strategies in the light of feedback received during the recent consultation with the Area Health Service's nursing staff.

*2294 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) How many million tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions a year will the new coal-fired power station the Government proposes to allow to be built emit?
- (2) How will the Government meet its target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in this State by 60 per cent by 2050 and returning to year 2000 greenhouse emission levels by 2025 when this new coal-fired power station is in operation?

Answer—

I'm advised:

- (1) The Government's target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 60% by 2050 takes into account the need to develop new sources of electricity to meet growing demand. Emission intensities would depend on the technology proposed to be used.

- (2) Any new power station proposal would be subject to the relevant emissions reduction targets. The Commonwealth is currently designing a national Emissions Trading Scheme, which NSW supports, which all market participants will be required to participate in.

*2297 PARKING FINES—“OVERALL PARKING SECTOR”—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) If you move your car from one spot in a metered zone to another in the same "overall parking sector" will you still be considered to be operating under the same time restrictions as reported in the Sydney Morning Herald on 6 March 2008?
- (2) What is the definition of an "overall parking sector"?
- (3) Would a motorist who left a metered four-hour zone after three hours, went off to see her sick mother in hospital, returned an hour later and parked in another spot in the "overall parking sector" be deemed to have parked in that sector for more than four hours and therefore be liable to be booked?

Answer—

Officers of the NSW Police Force are not responsible for the policing of parking in metered spaces. As the relevant legislation is the responsibility of the Roads and Traffic Authority, this question would more appropriately be addressed to the Minister for Roads.

*2298 PARKING FINES—“OVERALL PARKING SECTOR”—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- (1) If you move your car from one spot in a metered zone to another in the same "overall parking sector" will you still be considered to be operating under the same time restrictions as reported in the Sydney Morning Herald on 6 March 2008?
- (2) What is the definition of an "overall parking sector"?
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Answer—

I am advised:

The road rules for parking are set out in the Road Transport (Safety & Traffic Management) (Road Rules) Regulation 1999, which includes the Australian Road Rules 1999.

The enforcement and interpretation of these parking rules is a matter for local councils.

*2300 SCHOOL BUS PASSES—Mr Anthony Roberts asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

- (1) How many children were issued with bus passes as at 28 February 2008 from the LGAs of:
 - (a) Hunters Hill;
 - (b) Lane Cove;
 - (c) Ryde?
- (2) If this information is not recorded by LGA then how many were issued by suburbs located within these LGAs?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Student travel records are not attributed to local government areas.
- (2) In February, 2008, 9070 bus passes were issued across suburbs in these LGAs.

*2301 FERRY TRAVEL PASSES—Mr Anthony Roberts asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

For the years 1995 to February 2008 inclusive, how many children were issued with ferry travel passes for each of the LGAs or suburbs contained within the LGAs of:

- (a) Hunters Hill
- (b) Lane Cove;
- (c) Ryde?

Answer—

I am advised:

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- (1) Student travel records are not attributed to local government areas.
- (2) The school pass database is a current entitlement database and therefore the numbers issued from 1995 to February, 2008 are not readily available.

*2302 FERRY TRAVEL PASSES—Mr Anthony Roberts asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

- (1) How many children were issued with ferry travel passes as at 28 February 2008 from the LGAs of:
 - (a) Hunters Hill;
 - (b) Lane Cove;
 - (c) Ryde?
- (2) If this information is not recorded by LGA, then how many were issued by suburbs located within these LGAs?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Student travel records are not attributed to local government areas.
- (2) Ferry pass data for 28 February, 2008 has not yet been submitted by ferry operators.

*2303 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT SERVICE TYPE REVIEW—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- (1) How has the Community Transport Service Type Review resulted in providing better public transport to frail older people, younger people and people with a disability and their carers?
- (2) How will the outcomes of the review impact on the public bus transport provided to serve the rapidly increasing population of frail older people in Pittwater?

Answer—

This question is more appropriately directed to the Minister for Transport.

*2304 TRAVELLING TIMES TO SYDNEY CBD—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- (1) Does the RTA monitor travelling times into the Sydney Central Business District from various locations in the Sydney Metropolitan area?
- (2) Is so, what has been the average travelling time from Avalon Beach to the Sydney CBD over the last 12 months?

Answer—

I am advised:

Average travel speeds across major Sydney road corridors are contained in the NSW State Plan.

*2305 MONITORING OF BUS TRAVELLING TIMES—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- (1) Does the RTA monitor bus travelling times into the Sydney Central Business District from various locations in the Sydney Metropolitan area?
- (2) Is so, what is the time it takes for the E88 service leaving North Avalon (Careel Head Road) at 7.21 am to Central Station on weekdays?
- (3) On how many occasions has this service been running more than 5 minutes over the scheduled time over the past 12 months?

Answer—

I am advised:

Questions relating to on-time running of bus services are more appropriately directed to the Minister for Transport.

*2306 FAMILY-SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK—Mr Andrew Stoner asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

- (1) Will the NSW Government support the Family-Schools Partnership Framework?
- (2) If so, what resources will the NSW Government provide to support the framework?
- (3) Will these resources be extended to all schools, government and non-government?

Answer—

The NSW Government encourages parents and caregivers to play a major role in working with school staff to develop educational programs for children, and to take the opportunity to contribute at all stages of children's education.

While the NSW Government believes that parents and caregivers have a shared role in supporting the school in the education of a child, they are encouraged to choose if and how they would like to be involved.

In addition to the strong relationships already evident between schools and their parent community through established parent organisations, the NSW Department of Education and Training has a number of initiatives to develop partnerships between families, communities and schools. Current resources on this matter include the Priority Schools Programs booklet *Developing home, school & community partnerships* which has been disseminated to all Priority Schools and used as a resource to develop strategies which build partnership and collaboration between schools and families, particularly in low socio-economic status communities. This resource is complemented by a range of other strategies designed to build and facilitate partnerships between families and schools, such as the use of Priority Schools Programs Partnership Officers, Community Information Officers and Family in Cultural transition courses which facilitate the settlement of newly arrived migrant and refugee students and their families.

The Family-School Partnerships Framework is freely available to all school communities through the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations website.

The Family-School Partnerships Framework can be accessed by school communities as a guide and a resource, and considered along with other resources available to schools in relation to family and school partnerships. This approach provides flexibility in its use by schools and allows schools to build on their current initiatives.

*2307 REPORT INTO TVET CHARGES—Mr Andrew Stoner asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

- (1) Has the NSW Government's report into TVET charges been finalised?
- (2) Will the report be made public?
- (3) If so, when will the report be made public?

Answer—

- (1) The report into TVET charges is nearing completion and will be made public.
- (2) The TVET rates for 2009 will be posted on the Department of Education and Training Vocational Education and Training in Schools Directorate website in August 2008, as is customarily the case.

*2308 RURAL COUNCILS ACCESS TO CROWN LAND—Mr John Turner asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

- (1) What does the Minister or the Government intend to do to assist rural councils to access Crown land to enable the residential and industrial development of such councils?
- (2) What is the current procedure for councils to access such land?
- (3) What is the usual time from a request from councils to access Crown land for residential or industrial development to approval or denial?
- (4) (a) Does the Government have any proposals to shorten such time by cutting red tape?
(b) If so, how?
(c) If not, why not?

Answer—

- (1) Where a demonstrated demand exists no objections are raised to rural councils procuring suitable Crown land for residential and industrial purposes.
- (2) Council could apply to purchase the affected Crown land under the Crown Lands Act 1989 or compulsorily acquire the land under the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991. In the latter, Council should firstly consult with the Department of Local Government to ensure that its proposal has sufficient public benefit.

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- (3) For a purchase under the Crown Lands Act, the timeframe will vary depending on the circumstances. Issues to be addressed include native title if it has not already been extinguished, status of the land involved, statutory assessment, statutory advertising and the negotiation of a purchase price. The timeframe for a compulsory acquisition will depend on the efficiency of the acquiring authority.
- (4) The Department of Lands makes every effort to process such purchase applications in a timely manner.

*2309 ADMINISTRATOR FOR COFFS HARBOUR SHOWGROUND TRUST—Mr John Turner asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

- (1) What selection criteria were followed in the appointment of the administrator for Coffs Harbour Showground Trust?
- (2) Was the position advertised?
- (3) What remuneration is being paid to the administrator?
- (4) How does the cost of the administrator compare with the cost of the administration of the Coffs Harbour Showground by the previous trust?
- (5) (a) Will the administrator's accounts be audited?
(b) If so, by whom?
- (6) What is the expected period of administration?
- (7) How much money was previously contributed by the Show Society to the Showground Trust annually over the past 10 years?
- (8) What was the reason for sacking the trust and appointing an administrator?
- (9) Why was the Showground Trust put under administration and why was the Bellingen Showground Trust reappointed?

Answer—

- (1) The administrator of the Coffs Showground Trust was chosen because of her accounting background, her business acumen, her knowledge of the workings of the reserve, her knowledge of the local area and community and her enthusiasm and commitment to the community. She was highly recommended and appointed following an interview by departmental officers.
- (2) No.
- (3) \$62.40 per hour plus mileage.
- (4) The cost of the administrator will be more than the administration costs of the previous Trust. However, in the short time since her appointment, the administrator has already achieved significant improvement in the financial performance of the Trust.
- (5) (a) Yes.
(b) The administrator is yet to select an auditor.
- (6) The administrator will be given sufficient time to put the affairs of the Coffs Showground Trust in order.
- (7) While the Show Society paid for/contributed towards the cost of some minor equipment, no money was contributed in the Trust.
- (8) The trust board did not have the management expertise or business acumen to properly manage this Crown reserve. In addition to being heavily in debt to the Public Reserves Management Fund, the Trust had reported substantial losses in the past two years.
- (9) Unlike Coffs Harbour, the trust board that manages the Bellingen Showground Trust has improved the financial viability of Trust over time with the advice of the Department of Lands and the support of Bellingen Shire Council.

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2310 TUBERCULOSIS—WESTERN SUBURBS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health—

2311 COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Community Services—

- 2312 COMMUNITY ANGER MANAGEMENT—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 2313 NSW COUNCILS INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health) —
- 2314 MINISTERIAL INVESTMENT ORDER—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 2315 MANLY VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- *2316 LICENSING LAW BREACHES—Mr Mike Baird asked the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation—

What provisions are available to allow the community to see which licensed premises have breached licensing laws?

Answer—

The secrecy provisions of the liquor and gaming legislation prevent officers from my Department disclosing information acquired in the course of exercising a function of office or in the course of administering the legislation. That information includes enforcement action involving compliance or penalty notices issued to a licensee following the detection of less serious breaches at licensed premises.

More serious breaches are heard and determined by the Licensing Court of NSW and once listed, are matters on the public record. In this respect, my Department publishes the Court results in a regular bulletin called Liquor and Gaming that is distributed to all licensed premises and other subscribers.

Under the new Liquor Act which will commence from 1 July 2008, the Director of Liquor and Gaming has increased powers to impose conditions on licences and refer matters to the Casino, Liquor and Gaming Control Authority for prosecution. The Director will publish results of prosecution action and the imposition of licence conditions within the secrecy provisions of the legislation.

- 2317 YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FUNDING—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health—
- 2319 SEAFORTH TRAFFIC LIGHTS PROJECT—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 2322 TAFE QUALIFICATIONS—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 2328 RECYCLING AND STORMWATER HARVESTING PROGRAM—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 2331 NSW GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- *2333 SISTASPEAK PROGRAMME—Ms Pru Goward asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

Does the Government intend to expand the SistaSpeak Programme throughout New South Wales? Can the Government provide an evaluation in terms of the outcomes to participants for the programme of SistaSpeak?

Answer—

- (1) SistaSpeak is currently being rolled out across New South Wales. The workshop program was first trialed in Dubbo in 2005. Since then, SistaSpeak has been provided to young Aboriginal girls from 13 schools in areas including, Wellington, Gilgandra, Lismore, Casino, Tabulum, Umina, Vincentia and the Shoalhaven. In Term 2, 2008 the program will extend to schools in Umina, Orange,

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Campbelltown, and Rutherford. The Government intends to continue to expand the program across NSW in collaboration with local Aboriginal communities.

- (2) The evaluation of the pilot program in Dubbo Secondary College, Delroy Campus in 2005 showed that the program had been very successful, leading to significant increases in students' enthusiasm for learning and decreases in absenteeism. Following the success of the pilot, the program has since been run for a number of new cohorts at the same school and at other schools across the State.

While formal evaluations of the 2007-2008 workshops have not been undertaken, anecdotal advice from facilitators suggests that the students have benefited greatly from attending the workshops.

Evaluation tools are currently being developed by the Office for Women for use in future workshops.

- *2334 MOTORSPORT SCHOLARSHIP—Ms Pru Goward asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) Will the Government provide an independent evaluation of the MotorSport scholarship?
- (2) Are there plans for a continuation of this programme?
- (3) If so, will the programme be expanded and on what scale will this programme be expanded?
- (4) If not, what are the reasons for the discontinuation of the programme?

Answer—

As the NSW Department of Sport and Recreation has responsibility for managing the Women in MotorSport Scholarship, I refer Ms Goward to the Minister for Sport, the Hon Graham West MP for answers to questions (1) to (4).

- *2335 ASIAN WOMEN WORKERS' FORUM—Ms Pru Goward asked the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

In light of the recent changes to the Federal Government's Workplace Relations laws, will the NSW Government:

- (1) Continue this programme?
- (2) Provide Asian women with updated information sessions on their rights in the workplace?
- (3) Provide an independent evaluation report on the programme to date?
- (4) Release an updated booklet on womens' rights at work?

Answer—

- (1) The Asian Women at Work project was a one-off 12 month project, not an on-going program, which has now been completed.
- (2) Much of the content and advice on rights in the workplace provided to the Asian women participating in the project was generic and not specific to the current industrial relations framework. There are no immediate plans to provide Asian women with updated information sessions on their rights in the workplace.
- (3) A project report was submitted by the auspicing agency upon completion of the project.
- (4) There are no plans to provide updated material.

- 2336 HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS—BRISBANE WATER COMMAND—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

- 2337 HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS—TUGGERAH LAKES COMMAND—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

- 2338 FLASHING LIGHTS FOR SCHOOL CROSSINGS—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- 2340 CORPORATE SERVICES EFFICIENCY REVIEW—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

- 2341 BULLYING AND HARASSMENT—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—

- 2342 PEAT ISLAND—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services—

- *2343 RESPITE CARE—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) Are the DADHC respite services in Burdett Street and Dartford Road "blocked"?
- (2) Why has this occurred?
- (3) How long has this been the case?
- (4) When will the situation be resolved?
- (5) What alternative arrangements have been made for the families that now cannot access respite care?

Answer—

- (1) Dartford Road respite unit is not blocked and continues to provide respite services.
 - (2) There has been one client residing at Burdett Street respite unit in emergency accommodation since 18 September 2006. The Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (DADHC) has been working to provide alternative permanent supported accommodation for this person.
 - (3) DADHC has purchased a property for this client and two other clients. The house is currently being modified. It is anticipated that it will be ready for occupancy by the end of June 2008.
 - (4) Families are still able to access respite at Burdett Street respite unit, and where possible, respite has been offered at alternative respite units in DADHC's Metro North Region.
- 2344 SHORELINK PERFORMANCE BASED CONTRACT—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
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- 2661 EXPRESS TRAINS—CRONULLA RAILWAY LINE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
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- 2675 SUPPLY OF IMIZOL CATTLE TICK FEVER VACCINATION—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Water representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 2676 HOSPITAL FOOD SERVICES—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—
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- 2679 WAKEHURST PARKWAY—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
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- 2681 TEACHERS WORKER'S COMPENSATION CLAIMS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 2682 HOSPITAL TV RECEPTION—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 2683 SAVE THE BRUMBIES INC—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 2684 CHANGES TO GARBAGE SERVICES—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 2685 POKER MACHINE REVENUE—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 2686 UNANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 2687 MULLER PARK RESERVE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

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- 2688 SCHOOL UNIFORMS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- (1) Are students encouraged to wear school uniforms in public schools in New South Wales?
 - (2) Is it compulsory for all students to wear uniforms in these schools?
 - (3) Will a student's formal education be affected if they do not wear a school uniform?
 - (4) What procedures should a parent take if they choose not to send their children to school in uniform?
- 2689 REVESBY COMMUTER PARKING—Mr Alan Ashton to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- What proposals are there to increase the commuter car parking at Revesby to improve the viability of the operation of Revesby turnback facility?
- 2690 REVESBY TURNBACK FACILITY—Mr Alan Ashton to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- What is the estimated date for the completion of the Revesby turnback facility at Revesby station?
- 2691 RTA'S BICYCLE MASTERPLAN 2010—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- (1) What progress has been made on the items in the RTA's Bicycle Masterplan 2010 that relate to the two major off-road cycleways promised for the Northern Beaches:
 - (a) Chatswood to Warringah Mall;

- (b) Harbour Bridge to Warringah Mall?
 (2) When will these projects be completed?
 (3) Have any bicycle groups from the Northern Beaches been consulted on these two projects?
 (4) Are detailed maps or plans available?
- 2692 BEAR COTTAGE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health—
 Will the Minister join the local MP on a visit to Bear Cottage to enable her to consider a contribution from the NSW Government towards the running of the facility?
- 2693 MANLY JETCAT SERVICES—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
 (1) What were the reasons for the high number of JetCat cancellations in the March-April period?
 (2) What steps have been taken to avoid a repeat of these circumstances?
 (3) Has the Minister considered SMS alerts that ferry/JetCat passengers could subscribe to in order to be notified of cancellations?
- 2694 HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION—MANLY—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
 (1) With enrolments to primary schools in the Manly electorate on the rise, what plans does the Government have in place to cope with increasing demand for high-school education in the area?
 (2) Would the Minister consider utilising the Seaforth TAFE site as a co-educational high school?
- 2695 CYCLEWAYS—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
 Have footpaths been considered for use as cycleways during peak periods?
- 2696 141 BUS SERVICE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
 Further to preliminary discussions with the State Transit Authority, would the Minister allow a trial of the 141 bus service to see whether usage would justify reinstating the service?
- 2697 BALGOWLAH PIONEER CLUBHOUSE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health—
 Will the Minister consider meeting at a minimum the additional funding required by the Pioneer Clubhouse in Balgowlah so it can hire at least one additional staff member by May 2008 and retain accreditation by the International Centre for Clubhouse Development?
- 2698 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
 (1) How many staff managed infrastructure projects at the NSW Public Works Department in March 2003?
 (2) How many staff managed infrastructure projects at the Department of Commerce in March 2008?
- 2699 NSW MARITIME RENTS—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Minister for Ports and Waterways—
 Why has the rent charged by NSW Maritime increased by more than five times in the past two years for some residents leasing land in Fairlight, including a cancer patient who was charged \$495 in 2004 and \$2,680 in 2006?
- 2700 CHATSWOOD-EPPING RAIL LINE OPENING—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
 (1) Given that some State Government websites have information that is now out of date, will you confirm the date of the opening of the Chatswood-Epping rail line?
 (2) If not, why not?
- 2701 CHATSWOOD-EPPING RAIL LINE DELAY—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
 In relation to your response to a previous written question regarding the opening of the Chatswood-Epping rail line, has the opening of the line been delayed even further?

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- 2702 EPPING ROAD BUS SERVICES—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- In relation to Government (STA) buses servicing commuters along Lane Cove North on Epping Road:
- (1) How many city-bound services operate from 7.30 am - 9.00 am?
 - (2) How many city-bound services existed before the reduction in above ground lanes on Epping Road?
 - (3) How many additional services were added following the reduction in above ground lanes on Epping Road?
- 2703 272 BUS SERVICE—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- How many 272 city-bound buses operate between 7.30 am - 9.30 am on a weekday?
- 2704 272 BUS SERVICE—APRIL 2007—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- How many 272 city-bound buses operated between 7.30 am - 9.30 am in April last year?
- 2705 273 BUS SERVICE—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- How many 273 city-bound buses operate between 7.30 am - 9.30 am on a weekday?
- 2706 273 BUS SERVICE—APRIL 2007—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- How many 273 city-bound buses operated between 7.30 am - 9.30 am in April last year?
- 2707 ROADS FUNDING—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- In relation to RTA roads funding and the Minister's response to Question 1552:
- (1) Given the Minister's response that, "information on roads projects across NSW, including the electorate of Vacluse is publicly provided in Budget papers and regularly updated in community newsletters and on the Roads and Traffic Authority website at www.rta.nsw.gov.au", where in the "Budget papers" or on "the Roads and Traffic Authority website" can specific information on road projects, including maintenance funding, in the electorate of Vacluse be found?
 - (2) If specific information on road projects, including maintenance funding, in the electorate of Vacluse is not publicly available, will the Minister make it publicly available?
- 2708 MINISTERIAL CARS—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—
- In relation to ministerial entitlements:
- (1) What is the make, model and production year of each Government minister's ministerial vehicle?
 - (2) Which of the following fuel types best describes the fuel type used in each minister's ministerial vehicle (list of fuel types from "Table 5" of the "Fleet Improvement Plan 2007"):
- (a) "Petrol";
 - (b) "E10 petrol";
 - (c) "Auto diesel";
 - (d) "LPG";
 - (e) "Ethanol";
 - (f) "Bio-diesel";
 - (g) "CNG";
 - (h) "Other"?
- 2709 GAS PEAKING CAPACITY—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Water representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- In relation to Australian Energy Regulator's "State of the Energy Market 2007":
- (1) Why did gas peaking capacity in New South Wales reduce by 110 MW from 1999 to 2006 (Table 1.3, p. 71), when over the same period Queensland commissioned 352 MW extra peaking capacity, Victoria commissioned 583 MW and South Australia commissioned 373 MW?
 - (2) What effect has that capacity reduction had on electricity consumers in New South Wales?

2710 FARMER EXIT ASSISTANCE—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) Of the \$12 million Farmer Exit Assistance from the \$37 million Native Vegetation Assistance Program:
 - (a) How much has been spent;
 - (b) Which properties have been purchased and at what value;
 - (c) How many more properties are currently in the valuation stage;
 - (d) What criteria were used to assess the appropriateness of purchasing these properties?
- (2) What information and analysis did the Department base its decision on?

2711 RAINWATER TANK SUBSIDIES—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

According to the model developed by the Department of Planning for BASIX, which the Department of Environment and Climate Change uses to estimate water savings:

- (1) What are the water savings of the money spent per annum on rainwater tank subsidies?
- (2) What calculations has the Department made regarding the cost-effectiveness of these subsidies?
- (3) What are the details of the model used to make these calculations?

2712 OFFICE REFURBISHMENT—GREEN STAR RATING—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—

What is the Green Star rating of the refurbishment of the office of the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment in 2007?

2713 MARULAN TOWNSHIP—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

What steps has the State Government put in place to hold discussions with land owners in the Marulan community that are concerned as to their futures and the future of the township alongside the expanding major mining operations?

2714 MEDWAY DEVELOPMENT—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

What was the basis for the Government instructing Goulburn Mulwaree Council to remove the residential development called Medway on the eastern side of the Hume Highway at Marulan, from its new draft LEP?

2715 COMPENSATION TO MARULAN LANDOWNERS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

What provision has the Government put in place to pay compensation to land owners that may be adversely affected by the expansion of mining operations in Marulan or the proposed new industrial zonings?

2716 FUTURE OF MINING IN THE MARULAN REGION—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

- (1) Has the Minister or anyone from his Department met with residents of Marulan to discuss the future of mining in the region?
- (2) If so, when and what were the outcomes?
- (3) If not, why not?

2717 ZONING BY GOULBURN MULWAREE COUNCIL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

Has the Government prevented the Goulburn Mulwaree Council from designating buffer zones between mining/extractive land and adjoining rural lands?

2718 ZONING OF PENROSE MINING OPERATIONS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

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What part did the State Government play in instructing Wingecarribee Shire Council in its recent LEP to zone the Penrose mining operations as Heavy Industrial IN3 and what was the basis for the State Government's involvement?

2719 ZONING FOR EXTRACTIVE OPERATIONS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

With the establishment of the Government's new Petroleum, Mining and Extractive Industries SEPP, does the Government see it as necessary to change the zoning on state significant extractive operations to protect them into the future from conflict with adjoining rural land owners?

2720 CLASSIFICATION OF EXTRACTIVE AND MINING OPERATIONS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

Is it the Government's intention to reclassify all extractive and mining operations in New South Wales as Heavy Industrial Zoning IN3?

2721 SYDNEY CANBERRA CORRIDOR—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

- (1) Has the Government's draft Sydney Canberra Corridor considered the effect of the new proposed heavy industrial zones on either side of the Hume Highway at Marulan?
- (2) If so, what are the envisaged effects?
- (3) If not, why not?

2722 COURT COSTS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—

- (1) What was the cost to the Department of Community Services budget of retaining the services of barristers and solicitors to represent the Department of Community Services in child custody hearings during the financial years:
 - (a) 2002-03;
 - (b) 2003-04;
 - (c) 2004-05;
 - (d) 2005-06;
 - (e) 2006-07;
 - (f) to date in 2007-08?
- (2) How many child protection cases were brought before the courts in each of these years?
- (3) In how many of each of these cases was more than one solicitor and one barrister retained for each case?
- (4) By year, in how many of these cases was a Queens Counsel or Senior Counsel retained by the Department of Community Services?
- (5) Were there any cases that required the services of more than one QC or SC to represent the Department of Community Services?
- (6) On how many occasions did this occur?

2723 HOSPITAL FOOD—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Water representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

- (1) With reference to the Minister for Health's response of 3 April 2008 to my question number 2137, which hospitals in the Burrinjuck electorate were part of the recent safety audit conducted by the NSW Food Authority?
- (2) If no hospitals in the Burrinjuck electorate took part in this audit, why were they excluded?
- (3) Which of the hospitals participating in the audit met all of the standards covered in the audit?

2724 COWRA HOSPITAL—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health—

Has the Greater Western Area Health Service refused to replace the baby heart monitor at the Cowra Hospital despite concerns by staff that maternity care is being compromised by this old equipment?

2725 CONFUSED AND DISTURBED ELDERLY—LONG JETTY—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) What is the current status and role of the Confused and Disturbed Elderly Unit (CADE) at Long Jetty?
- (2) How many patients are accommodated?

- (3) What was their average length of stay in the years 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007?
- 2726 TUBERCULOSIS—HORNSBY HOSPITAL—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) Have there been any notifications in Hornsby Hospital of tuberculosis for the years 2003 to 2007 inclusive?
 - (2) If so, how many and what subsequent treatments have been undertaken?
 - (3) Has there been correspondence or communication related to this to the Federal Government?
 - (4) Are there immigration implications?
- 2727 HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS—UPPER NORTH SHORE—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- What specific plans does the Minister for Planning and the Department have for housing developments on the Upper North Shore, including the Hornsby electorate?
- 2728 TRANSFER SYSTEM FOR TEACHERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- With the proposed changes to the staffing arrangements at Public Schools, what effect will it have on the normal transfer system for teachers?
- 2729 ROADSIDE MAINTENANCE—CRONULLA—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- (1) How often is roadside maintenance (i.e. grass mowing and weed control) conducted on state-owned roads in the Cronulla electorate?
 - (2) What is the budgeted amount of funding for roadside maintenance of roads in the Cronulla electorate for the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 financial years?
- 2730 WAGGA WAGGA BASE HOSPITAL CHILDREN'S WARD—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) How much is being expended to repair Wagga Wagga Base Hospital children's ward?
 - (2) Has the extent of the white ant problem been underestimated?
 - (3) How much over the allocated budget will have to be spent to rectify the problem?
 - (4) When will the work be completed?
 - (5) Have other issues identified been addressed in the refurbishment, for example infection control, OH&S and air conditioning and partitioning of the ward to allow a degree of privacy for adolescent patients?
- 2731 SYDNEY TO MELBOURNE RAIL LINE UPGRADE—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- (1) Has the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) given you an update on progress of the Sydney to Melbourne rail line upgrade?
 - (2) Is the upgrade on time?
 - (3) Is the upgrade on budget?
 - (4) How many level crossings have been closed?
 - (5) How many have been identified for closure?
 - (6) Which level crossings, by name, have been identified?
 - (7) When can landholders expect to be consulted regarding proposed crossing closures?
- 2732 PARRAMATTA TO EPPING RAIL LINK—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- (1) Does the Government intend to build the Parramatta to Epping rail link, which was scrapped from the original Parramatta to Chatswood line?
 - (2) If yes, what is the anticipated commencement date of such works?
- 2733 APPLICATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL BUSES—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- (1) How many additional buses have been requested by bus operators in North West Sydney that have not been approved to date?
 - (2) If applications for additional buses have been approved but are yet to be supplied, what is the

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anticipated delivery date of such buses?

- (3) What is the average cost of each bus?

2734 REPOSSESSION OR SEIZURE OF MOTOR VEHICLES—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for Youth, Minister for Volunteering—

- (1) What statutory powers, if any, do financial authorities have to repossess or seize motor vehicles from motor traders who have been authorised to carry out work by the hirer or lessee of such vehicles?
- (2) If such statutory powers do exist what notification or documentation would be given to the repairer?
- (3) Does the financial institution have any legal liability to pay the amount owing for any repairs carried out by the motor repairer?

2735 ENVIRONMENT EDUCATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

Given the urgency of action to prevent global warming and the need for all citizens to take practical steps to reduce our environmental impacts:

- (1) What assessment has the NSW Government carried out of school curricula to ensure that all students learn about global warming and its potential impacts?
- (2) What curriculum materials has the NSW Government developed to provide learning about global warming and environmental sustainability to all NSW students?
- (3) What is the minimum time a NSW school student spends learning about these subjects each year?
- (4) What action has the NSW Government taken to ensure that all schools incorporate into their activities practical examples of environment education such as growing food, harvesting rainwater, collecting solar electricity, and reducing transport emissions?
- (5) What proportion of NSW schools:
 - (a) harvest rainwater for non-drinking purposes;
 - (b) recycle grey water for non-drinking purposes;
 - (c) purchase "Greenpower" electricity;
 - (d) have photovoltaic cells to collect solar electricity; and
 - (e) use solar hot water systems?
- (6) What plans does the NSW Government have to ensure that all NSW schools:
 - (a) harvest rainwater for non-drinking purposes;
 - (b) recycle grey water for non-drinking purposes;
 - (c) purchase "Greenpower" electricity;
 - (d) have photovoltaic cells to collect solar electricity; and
 - (e) use solar hot water systems?

2736 PRISONER REHABILITATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

With respect to the USA Second Chance Act 2007, which provides funding for ex-prisoner mentoring programs, job training and rehabilitation:

- (1) What analysis has the NSW Government made of this legislation and its impact on recidivism and reintegration of ex-prisoners?
- (2) What ex-prisoner mentoring programs does the NSW Government fund, and how much money has been allocated for this purpose over the past five years?
- (3) What is the evidence about the effectiveness of ex-prisoner mentoring programs?
- (4) Is the Government aware of the StAMP Mentoring Program operated by the Community Restorative Centre with funds from Marrickville Council, Lord Mayor Clover Moore Salary Trust and City of Sydney?
- (5) What evaluation has been carried out on the StAMP program and what are the results?
- (6) What plans does the NSW Government have to provide and expand mentoring programs for ex-prisoners?

2737 DRUG TREATMENT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Health—

Noting that there have been numerous drug treatment trials across many jurisdictions since the 1999 NSW Drug Summit:

- (1) What is the current expert opinion about the most effective treatments for drug addiction, and specifically for:

- (a) alcohol;
(b) tobacco;
(c) heroin and other opiates including prescribed drugs;
(d) methamphetamine or "ICE";
(e) cocaine?
- (2) What does current evidence inform us about the effectiveness of:
(a) QUIT programs;
(b) alcohol addiction programs;
(c) needle exchange programs;
(d) methadone and similar replacement treatments;
(e) safe injecting facilities;
(f) heroin-supported therapy under medical supervision for people with longstanding addictions?
- (3) What research or reviews of research in other jurisdictions has the NSW Government carried out into successful drug treatment programs that could be used in NSW?
- (4) What research or reviews of research in other jurisdictions does the NSW Government plan to carry out into successful drug treatment programs that can be used in NSW?
- 2738 SYDNEY DESALINATION PLANT—CONSTRUCTION—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Water—
- Regarding the Sydney desalination plant:
- (1) What is the deadline for completion under the contract for construction?
(2) What incentives, if any, are there under the contract for early completion?
(3) Has the rain in recent months or any other matter caused construction to fall behind schedule?
- 2739 SYDNEY DESALINATION PLANT—OPERATION—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Water—
- Regarding the Sydney desalination plant:
- (1) What is the minimum ongoing capacity that the plant will need to operate at after construction?
(2) What is the estimated minimum annual cost for operating the plant at this minimum capacity?
(3) What is the estimated maximum annual cost for operating the plant at maximum capacity?
- 2740 SYDNEY DESALINATION PLANT—EXCESS WATER—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Water—
- Regarding the Sydney desalination plant:
- (1) Could salt water processed at minimum plant capacity be returned from the plant to the sea if water storage was full?
(2) If so, how would this occur?
(3) If such excess water was not returned to the sea, where would it be sent?
- 2741 DECISION-MAKING AT PORT MACQUARIE-HASTINGS COUNCIL—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1) In regards to the Better Performance Review, the section 430 inquiry, the section 740 inquiry, and now the Griffin Report into decision-making at Port Macquarie-Hastings Council, can the Minister confirm or deny whether any matters from any of these reports, or related matters, have been referred to the Independent Commission Against Corruption, the Ombudsman, or any other State or Federal public sector administrative body?
(2) If yes, which bodies and how many matters have been referred?
(3) If yes, can the Minister provide any details on the matters referred?
(4) If yes, what process can the community of Port Macquarie-Hastings expect to be followed by these agencies?
- 2742 GLASSHOUSE PROJECT FUNDING—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—
- In light of the dismissal of Port Macquarie-Hastings Council, and in light of the subsequent Griffin Report indicating that completion of the Glasshouse project is the 'least expensive' community option, can the Premier assure the community of Port Macquarie and surrounds that all State-based funding

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- grants for the project will remain attached to the project through to completion, and that any future grant applications will not be viewed adversely due to the dismissal findings?
- 2743 SPORTING BODIES LOANS—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- With the annual operating subsidy of the Glasshouse now being identified as closer to \$5 million per annum compared to the previously publicised figure of \$500,000 per annum, will the Treasurer consider a one-off 'low-interest' or 'no-interest' loan, similar to loans previously provided to sporting bodies under the Sporting Bodies Loans Guarantee Act 1977, in an effort to reduce the on-going community subsidy that includes substantial interest repayments on borrowings?
- 2744 ADMINISTRATORS TERM—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1) Can the Minister outline why the State Government considers a 4-year term for an Administrator appointed to a dismissed local Council as an appropriate length of time?
 - (2) (a) Is the Minister aware of any precedent where an Administrator's 4-year term has been reduced for any reason?
(b) If so, what are the details of the precedent case?
- 2745 PATIENT TRANSFER BUDGET—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) In both dollar terms and as a percentage of overall budget, what amount of each Area Health Service budget is forfeited or transferred to cover the expense of patient transfer and treatment outside the Area Health Service in question?
 - (2) In both dollar terms and as a percentage of overall budget, what amount is allocated to each Area Health Service for the treatment of patients from another Area Health Service?
 - (3) Is money for the transfer and treatment of patients between Area Health Services accounted for on a per patient treatment basis, or on an annual estimate?
 - (4) If done as an annual estimate, what safeguards are in place to promote delivery and promotion of new services closer to a patients home, if an Area Health funding formula discourages this development through a reduction in the annual estimate of costs incurred as a consequence?
- 2746 RESOURCE DISTRIBUTION FORMULA—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) In both a dollar and percentage term, how far above or below equity of Resource Distribution Formula is each Area Health Service in NSW as at January 1 2008?
 - (2) What moves are currently being made to deliver equity to Area Health Services that are below equity?
- 2747 PORT MACQUARIE BASE HOSPITAL PATIENT TREATMENT COSTS—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) What is the average cost per patient treatment at Port Macquarie Base Hospital as at March 1 2008?
 - (2) What was the average cost per patient treatment at Port Macquarie Base Hospital on March 1 2005?
 - (3) What is the average cost per patient treatment for the same two dates (March 1 2005 and March 1 2008) for the 7 peer hospitals that were used as the benchmark for performance for Port Macquarie Base Hospital for the period that it was a privately run public facility from 1992 through to 2005?
- 2748 KOOMPAHTOO LOCAL ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- Will the Attorney General explain why no prosecutions have been mounted against those who the ICAC recommended be prosecuted after its findings regarding the Koompahtoo Local Aboriginal Land Council were announced in 2005?
- 2749 REGISTRATION OF MODIFIED VEHICLE—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- Will the Minister give consideration to the request of Mr Wayne O'Neill of Bolton Point for the RTA to register a vehicle which has been modified to carry two wheelchairs?
- 2750 CROSS BORDER CO-OPERATION MEETINGS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—

Given that the Premier has advised that Cross Border Co-operation meetings "will occur as required" and that Queensland authorities are fining Tweed residents with NSW disability permits on their vehicles for using disabled parking in Queensland because their permits are not deemed to be valid in that state:

- (1) Does the Premier agree that a Cross Border Co-operation meeting is urgently required between the NSW and Queensland Governments to fix anomalies between the two states?
 - (a) If yes, on what date will a Cross Border Co-operation meeting be held?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (2) Why is the Premier yet to honour on his 2007 election promise to regularly meet with his Queensland counterpart to resolve interstate anomalies such as health, transport, police and daylight saving time, despite being a quarter of the way through his term in Government?

2751 CATTLE TICK FEVER—TWEED—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Water representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

Given that the Minister advised in a media release on 5 February 2008 that the Government's cattle tick vaccination policy would be "extended to allow the restricted use of the vaccine in a tick fever outbreak with Chief Veterinary Officer approval":

- (1) Why were Department of Primary Industry (DPI) veterinarians and officers unable to issue Tweed graziers suffering from outbreaks of cattle tick fever with Imizol as they advised that the DPI did not have any stocks of the vaccination?
- (2) Are statements made by DPI officers alleging that the DPI has no quantities of cattle tick fever vaccination correct?
 - (a) If yes, why are there no stocks of the vaccination and when does the DPI intend to acquire some?
 - (b) If no, how much of the vaccination does the DPI hold and why were DPI veterinarians and officers not issued with the vaccination to administer to graziers in the Tweed suffering from cattle tick fever outbreaks?

2752 TICK FEVER INQUIRY—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Water representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

In relation to the 2005 tick fever inquiry, commissioned by the Minister for Primary Industries and conducted by the Hon. Garry West, which made four recommendations concerning cattle ticks:

- (1) Given the inquiry recommended the "use of electronic surveillance to enhance existing border control", why has the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) only installed one set of surveillance cameras, at Sexton Hill on the Pacific Highway?
- (2) Given the inquiry recommended the introduction of a Cattle Tick Industry Fund under the key recommendation of "Advisory mechanisms into State Government", will the Minister act on this recommendation and immediately establish this fund?
 - (a) If yes, will this fund compensate Tweed graziers for the loss of livestock as a result of cattle tick fever outbreaks?
 - (b) If not, why has the Government failed to act on this recommendation?

2753 SYDNEY CATCHMENT AUTHORITY—FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) On what date was the Sydney Catchment Authority's credit rating reduced from A to A-?
- (2) On what date did NSW Treasury agree to reduce future dividend payments from 97 per cent to 75 per cent of after tax profits?
- (3) How much will that move cost NSW Treasury in total?

2754 SYDNEY CATCHMENT AUTHORITY—MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) What conditions had the Sydney Catchment Authority agreed to comply with in its memorandum of understanding with the Department of Water and Energy as part of its Operating Licence in 2005-06?
- (2) What were the reasons for Sydney Catchment Authority's low rate of compliance with the memorandum of understanding?

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- (3) What conditions had the Sydney Catchment Authority agreed to comply with for reporting on leakage and loss actions?
- (4) How did the Sydney Catchment Authority fail to comply with agreed reporting on leakage and loss actions?
- 2755 SYDNEY CATCHMENT AUTHORITY—INTERNAL CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- (1) What were the 'minor opportunities' for improvement in internal controls and procedures that the Auditor-General reported to Sydney Catchment Authority management?
- (2) What measures have Sydney Catchment Authority management taken to act on these identified opportunities?
- (3) The Auditor-General's 2007 Report to Parliament on the Sydney Catchment Authority referred to one Australian water utility with an average leakage rate of 35 per cent. What utility was this?
- 2756 ACCELERATED SEWERAGE PROGRAM—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- (1) What towns are serviced by the eight sewerage projects under the Accelerated Sewerage Program?
- (2) Which catchments do these towns currently discharge sewage into?
- (3) When will the last of these projects be completed?
- 2757 SYDNEY CATCHMENT SPECIAL AREAS—NATIVE TITLE CLAIMS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- (1) How much of the Sydney Catchment Special Areas are the Gundungurra people claiming under native title?
- (2) What are the specific issues that are delaying the finalisation of these claims?
- (3) When does the Minister expect the claims to be settled?
- (4) How much has it cost the Government to contest these claims in the courts?
- 2758 SYDNEY CATCHMENT AUTHORITY—BORROWINGS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- (1) What capital projects were funded with the Sydney Catchment Authority's increased borrowings of \$64 million in 2007?
- (2) What bank or institution was this money borrowed from?
- (3) What are the total borrowings for the SCA?
- (4) How much interest does the SCA pay on its borrowings annually?
- (5) In the Abridged Consolidated Income Statement, what forms of income are included under 'Other Income'?
- 2759 DELAYS IN OBTAINING DEATH CERTIFICATES—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- Given that bereaved people are having to wait up to 6 weeks to obtain a death certificate from the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages, which is much longer than previously, what are the reasons for the excessive delay and what steps are being taken to eliminate it?
- 2760 BURDEKIN PARK SINGLETON—Mr George Souris to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- (1) What is the status of the report prepared by Dr John Nelson, commissioned by the former Minister for the Environment and Climate Change regarding the removal of the plague of flying fox bats from the Park?
- (2) Does the Minister agree with the findings and recommendations made by Dr Nelson?
- (3) When will the Department of Environment and Climate Change undertake the recommended work or will funding, as estimated in the report, be allocated to Singleton Council to undertake the work?

- 2761 AIR COOLING PROGRAM—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- (1) Has the Department of Education and Training completed the prioritisation of competing projects for the 2007-08 Air Cooling Program?
 - (2) What schools in the Pittwater electorate will benefit from the 2007-08 Air Cooling Program?
- 2762 PATIENTS AT ROYAL NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Health—
- How many patients that receive renal dialysis treatment at Royal North Shore Hospital are residents of the Northern Beaches?
- 2763 CURRAWONG DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- (1) What costs have been incurred by the Department of Planning in the assessment of the heritage values and development proposals for Currawong since the Minister referred this matter to an expert panel in December 2007?
 - (2) What proportion of these costs have been recovered from the proponent?
- 2764 SCHOOL BUS INTERCHANGE—SOUTH WEST ROCKS ROAD—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- Given fighting and bullying is an increasing problem at the school bus changeover point at South West Rocks Road and Old Station Road:
- (1) Who is responsible for supervising children at the school bus changeover point at this school bus interchange?
 - (2) Will the Minister implement detailed policy to control issues of fighting and bullying at school bus interchange points?
- 2765 ROAD BRIDGES OVER THE NORTH COAST RAIL LINE—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- In relation to road bridges over the North Coast rail line at Cockburns Lane and Browns Crossing Road, both at Warrell Creek, when will weight limit signs be updated now that the bridges have been substantially upgraded by Transfield?
- 2766 TUNCURRY AMBULANCE SERVICE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) How many ambulances are available at Tuncurry Ambulance Service?
 - (2) How many ambulances are on duty at any time?
 - (3) How many diversions to the Greater Taree City Council area have occurred in the last six months of ambulances from the Tuncurry station?
 - (4) When such diversions have occurred, what arrangements are made for arrangements in the Great Lakes area that would normally be serviced from the Tuncurry Ambulance Station?
- 2767 WENTWORTH NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH—PETITION—Mr John Williams to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) Has the Minister received a petition from Wentworth Neighbourhood Watch sent on 10 January 2008?
 - (2) If so, why has receipt of this petition not been acknowledged?
- 2768 OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PRIMARY SCHOOL IN KELLYVILLE—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- Will the Minister for Education allow the Catholic Diocese of Parramatta to purchase the land adjoining Our Lady of the Rosary Primary School in Kellyville for the purpose of constructing facilities for a "kiss and drop zone" to improve the safety for the 650 primary school students that attend the school and improve the traffic flow in Diana Avenue?

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