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- *6300 AUSGRID STAFF EDUCATION AND TRAINING—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
 - (1) Have funds been made available by State Training Services for the education and training of staff at Ausgrid?
 - (a) If so, what amount?
 - (b) If so, how much of this funding had been accessed and spent as at 20 September 2014?
 - (2) Will any funding provided by State Training Services be used to offer training and re-skilling to employees who are forced to leave the employment of Ausgrid as an appropriate role no longer exists?
 - (a) If so, what percentage of the funding will be used for this purpose?
 - (3) Will any funding provided by State Training Services be used to offer re-skilling to employees who remain employed with Ausgrid in a new or altered role?
 - (a) If so, what percentage of the funding will be used for this purpose?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) For the 2014 calendar year, Ausgrid has accessed its apprenticeship program funding from State Training Services.
- (a) A significant amount of in excess of \$200,000 is available for Ausgrid from State Training Services for their apprenticeship program.
- (b) Funding is accessed as apprentices commence, reach progress milestones, and complete their training. This occurs at various times throughout the year, depending on each apprentice in training. As of 20 September 2014, over half of the available amount has been accessed by Ausgrid.
- (2) Ausgrid provides a range of options and services to employees who have been redeployed or taken a voluntary redundancy. This includes training for interview skills as well as resume preparation training.
- (3) Staff who are redeployed are encouraged to access roles that are similar and consistent with their existing skills set. However, Ausgrid also provides support services and coaching for staff who are redeployed to suitable roles; this includes support services such as interview skills and resume preparation.
- *6301 APPRENTICESHIPS AT GOVERNMENT OWNED ENERGY PROVIDERS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
 - (1) How many new first year apprentices were employed in each of the Government owned or controlled energy providers for each of the years 2011 to 2014?
 - (a) How many apprenticeships will be offered at these energy providers in 2015?

Answer-

I am advised as follows:

(1) These State owned providers reported offering the following apprenticeships for 2011 to 2014.

TRANSGRID:

- 2012 23.
- 2013 nine, plus one communications trainee.
- 2014 nine.

DELTA ELECTRICITY:

In March 2013, Delta employed the 53 apprentices (1st 4th year) that it was previously sponsoring. These numbers were for Delta Electricity's western and coastal power stations. After the sale of the Delta Electricity's western assets in September 2013, Delta retained responsibility for approximately half of the apprentices. Currently, Delta employs 27 apprentices.

(a) Transgrid will employ eight apprentices in 2015. Delta has offered five first year apprenticeships for 2015.

- *6302 SCHOOLS CLASSIFIED AS BEING IN RECESS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education—
 - (1) What is meant by a school being "in recess" (ref Q.6034)?
 - (2) Does the term "in recess" indicate that the school is:
 - (a) Closed;
 - (b) Being considered for closure;
 - (c) Closed but could be reopened in future?

Answer-

- (1) Decisions to place schools in recess are made and result in operations being ceased at the school level while alternative arrangements for students are tested to ensure that they are satisfactory and meet community expectations. Operations will recommence in the event that students are at a disadvantage or unexpected numbers of local students require enrolment.
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- *6303 FUNDING FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Education—
 - (1) Was the first payment of funding under the Intervention Support Program (ISP) for children with disabilities six months late at the time of payment in June 2014?
 - (a) If so, what are the reasons for the delay?
 - (b) If so, is the delay of this payment contrary to the Government guarantee to make all payments within 30 days?
 - (2) Does the Government remain dedicated to the 30 day payment guarantee?
 - (3) Has the second payment, scheduled to be made in June, been paid?
 - (a) If so, when was the payment made?
 - (4) Was there a delay to the general funding for early childhood education in June 2014?
 - (a) If so, how long was this funding delayed?
 - (b) If so, what are the reasons for the delay?
 - (5) Did the Government consult with early childhood centres, prior to the June 2014 general funding delay, to ensure that they were able to accommodate any delay, pay wages and bills, fund other educational experiences and continue to operate during the delay?
 - (6) Are there any early childhood providers that experienced financial difficulty during the delayed funding period to June 2014?

Answer-

- (1) No.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) Yes;
- (a) Payments are made after each service has provided their accountability and audited financial statements for expenditure of funding.
- (4) Yes:
- (a) and (b) There was a planned one week rescheduling of payments as a major system enhancement across the Department of Education and Communities was implemented on the same date as funding payments were originally scheduled to occur.
- (5) All services were informed prior to the rescheduling.
- (6) The Department of Education and Communities has not received any notice of financial difficulties caused by the one week delay.
- *6305 FOSTER CARE PLACES IN THE HUNTER REGION—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Family and Community Services—
 - (1) Is there an unusually heavy burden on emergency foster care places in the Hunter?
 - (2) How many children were removed from families/homes but were unable to be placed in the care of short term or emergency foster care during the first 24 hours after their removal between:
 - (a) 1 January 2014 and 1 October 2014;
 - (b) 1 January 2013 and 1 October 2013; and
 - (c) 1 January 2012 and 1 October 2012?

- (3) Are there any short term or emergency foster care families, registered with non-government providers in the Hunter, who have not been used or accessed during 2014 despite being willing and ready to provide assistance?
 - (a) If so, what are the reasons for this?

Answer-

I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information and statistics about children and young people in out of home care is available in the Department's Annual Statistical Reports. For more information about foster care is available on the Community Services' website at http://www.community.nsw.gov.au/.

- *6307 REVENUE FROM PRIVATELY OWNED RADARS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
 - (1) Are privately owned radar operators permitted to set up on the side of a road without displaying the signage that is required by law?
 - (a) If so, why?
 - (2) How much revenue does the State collect from fines generated by privately owned radars?
 - (3) How much revenue does the operator make from each fine generated by a privately owned radar?

Answer_

This question should be addressed to the Minister for Roads and Freight.

- *6308 STRATEGIC REGIONAL LAND USE PLANS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
 - (1) As at 1 October 2014, how many Strategic Regional Land Use Plans:
 - (a) Had been finalised and adopted for use;
 - (b) Were on public display for community comment;
 - (c) Were in the draft and development phase; and
 - (d) Had yet to commence?
 - (2) Does the Government remain committed to developing Strategic Regional Land Use Plans for use in all regions across New South Wales?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 1 October 2014, two Strategic Regional Land Use Plans (Upper Hunter and New England North West) have been finalised and adopted for use.

Regionally strategic planning issues in resource growth regions such as housing, infrastructure, economy, environment and critical industry clusters will be addressed through Regional Growth and Infrastructure Plans.

- *6309 WALLA MULLA PARK—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services—
 - (1) What evidence does the Government have about the number of people displaced from other areas who are now sleeping rough at Walla Mulla Park in Woolloomooloo?
 - (a) What steps has the Government taken to engage with these rough sleepers and help them get off the street?
 - (2) How is the Department of Family and Community Services liaising with Kings Cross Police, the City of Sydney and non-government organisations to address the increased need for social housing?
 - (3) How many rough sleepers in Woolloomooloo have applications for social housing?
 - (a) How many new applications have been made in the last three months?
 - (4) How many rough sleepers from Woolloomooloo have been allocated social housing:
 - (a) In the last six months; and
 - (b) In the last three months?
 - (5) What further action will the Government take to provide housing for the increased number of rough sleepers in Woolloomooloo?
 - (6) What further action will the Government take to house homeless people in Woolloomooloo?

Answer-

Details of the Going Home Staying Home reform are available on the Housing NSW website at:

http://www.housing.nsw.gov.au/Help+with+Housing/Homelessness/Going+Home+Staying+Home/Going+Home+Staying+Home.htm.

The Department of Family and Community Services (FACS) continues to work with its partner agencies to reduce the number of rough sleepers in Woolloomooloo.

In addition to Going Home Staying Home, FACS is also launching a new program, Connect 100, to assist homeless people who drift into the inner city from their home or suburb.

- *6310 COMMUNITY HOUSING AT MILLERS POINT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services—
 - (1) Is the Government cancelling leases with community housing providers with tenants in Millers Point, Dawes Point, and the Rocks?
 - (a) If so, will this result in some community housing providers being forced to close or cease operations and no longer provide housing?
 - (2) Will the Government provide alternative properties for use by those housing providers who had had their leases cancelled?
 - (3) How will the Government ensure that tenants in these properties are able to find new affordable housing?
 - (4) What help will the Government provide to these tenants to relocate and start a new home?
 - (5) Will the Government work with community housing providers to provide new community housing in Millers Point?
 - (6) Are all community housing providers who manage Government properties similarly at risk of having their leases cancelled?

Answer-

The Government is working to make the social housing system more transparent, fair and sustainable. The Department of Family and Community Services will work in collaboration with community housing providers to identify suitable replacement dwellings, ensure tenants are provided with alternative housing options and eligible social housing tenants will be offered relocation support.

- *6311 THE CENTRAL TO EVELEIGH REDEVELOPMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
 - (1) What progress has been made on the Central to Eveleigh redevelopment since it was announced in June 2013?
 - (2) How are communities affected by the redevelopment being informed of its progress?
 - (3) Is the Government committed to retaining existing open green space such as Prince Alfred Park?
 - (4) Is the Government committed to increasing open green space?
 - (a) If so, what plans have been developed to achieve this?
 - (5) Will the Government include new childcare and school facilities in this project?
 - (a) If so, what plans have been developed to achieve this?
 - (6) Is the Government committed to providing affordable housing as part of this project?
 - (a) If so, what will be the estimated minimum level of affordability for this housing project and what plans have been made to achieve this?
 - (7) Will this project include pedestrian and cycling access across the railway lines?
 - (a) If so, what plans have been developed to achieve this?
 - (8) What plans have been developed for the Central Station precinct of this project?
 - (9) How will the Government ensure that local residents, business operators and service providers are involved in decisions about the project?
 - (10) When will the Government report to the community on the progress of this project?

Answer—

I am advised:

Project updates and information about the Central to Eveleigh Redevelopment are available online at www.central2eveleigh.com.au.

*6312 ENERGY BILLS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—

- (1) Is the Government aware of research by Ernst and Young that shows one third of Australian households missed an electricity bill payment in the past year and ten per cent skipped three or more bills because they could not afford to pay?
- (2) What information does the Government have about problems for inner city residents paying energy bills?
- (3) What assessment has the Government made of the effectiveness of help being provided to people struggling with energy bills?
- (4) What help does the Government provide to residents to install low energy appliances and equipment?
- (5) What new programs or support has the Government implemented in response to the Ernst and Young research?
- (6) What further action will the Government take to help people struggling with energy bills?

Answer—

(1) to (6) The Government is aware of the report released by Ernst & Young on 13 October 2014 that identifies a range of initiatives that could assist customers to pay their energy bills on time, such as retailers offering discount incentives and monthly billing. Many retailers already offer these measures.

A range of energy efficiency programs has been implemented by the Office of Environment & Heritage.

This Government has significantly strengthened the assistance it provides to NSW households to manage energy bills, through increases to rebate amounts and increases to the budget of the Energy Account Payment Assistance scheme.

The Government also has ongoing and regular discussions regarding affordability issues with consumer groups, energy retailers and the Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW (EWON).

- *6313 WHITE BAY TERMINAL NOISE AND AIR POLLUTION—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
 - (1) What evidence does the Government have about the impact of pollution on residential precincts adjacent to the White Bay Terminal?
 - (2) Is there a provision for ship-to-shore power for ships berthing at White Bay?
 - (3) What steps has the Government taken to prevent air pollution from low grade fuel at White Bay?
 - (4) What steps has the Government taken to prevent noise pollution from loading and unloading at White Bay?
 - (5) What further action will the Government take to address this local pollution?

Answer-

I am advised as follows:

The Department of Planning and Environment is responsible for enforcing compliance with noise conditions in the project approval for the White Bay Cruise Passenger Terminal through the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

With respect to air quality, the Port Authority of NSW has undertaken ambient air monitoring as required by the White Bay Cruise Passenger Terminal project approval. Monitoring has not shown any breach of the air quality standards listed in the project approval.

The Commonwealth has responsibilities for regulating transport fuel and shipping. It has not taken action beyond the internationally agreed levels stipulated in the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL). The current MARPOL standard for fuel sulphur content is 3.5 per cent sulphur, with this limit reducing to 0.5 per cent on 31 December 2019.

The Government is exploring potential regulatory options to impose stricter standards. The Environment Protection Authority (EPA):

- has met, and continues to meet, with key shipping representatives to explore the options for adopting world best practice in reducing emissions from cruise ships in Sydney Harbour;
- is developing a Diesel Emission Management Strategy; and
- has engaged an international expert on shipping engineering to assist in its investigations.

The EPA has met with the local community on a number of occasions to inform them of this work.

- *6314 SUPPORT FOR STARTUP ENTERPRISES—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Small Business, and Minister for the North Coast—
 - (1) What funds does the Government provide to startup support bodies in New South Wales?

- (2) What unused Government properties are allocated to support startup development?
- (3) What other support does the Government provide to startups in New South Wales?
- (4) What plans does the Government have to provide funding to support this innovative industry sector?
- (5) What evidence does the Government have about the scale and growth of technology startups?
- (6) What proportion of Australia's startups are based in New South Wales?
- (7) Are the majority of startups in New South Wales based in inner Sydney?
- (8) What are the other key areas of New South Wales where startups are based?
- (9) What information does the Government have about the number of jobs created by startups?
- (10) What proportion of startup entrepreneurs are new to business development?
- (11) What assessment has the Government made of the support needs of this industry?
- (12) What further action will the Government take to encourage and enable a viable startup support system?

Answer-

(1) to (3) NSW Trade & Investment works closely with the New South Wales incubators, accelerators and co-working spaces to provide a range of services to support New South Wales start-ups. The Government has allocated almost \$8 million to support the small business sector in 2014-15 which includes delivering an extensive network of Small Biz Connect advisers who provide practical face-to-face support to both new and existing businesses across New South Wales. The program includes skills development workshops and an online toolkit of resources.

Small Biz Connect works collaboratively with local Councils, universities and other government agencies to utilise available facilities and services to support small business.

In 2012, our Government developed Innovate NSW to connect SMEs, researchers, major corporations and end users. These collaborations will facilitate the development of innovative solutions to high growth opportunities and challenges in key sectors of the New South Wales economy.

The Government is also a strong supporter of CeBIT and has been an Official Partner since 2011.

- (4) TechVouchers provides opportunities for SMEs to create research collaborations with public sector research organisations and help their business become more innovative and competitive. TechVouchers provide seed funding of up to \$15,000 to help small and medium enterprises to engage with the New South Wales public research community and access research equipment and technical expertise. More information is available at http://www.trade.nsw.gov.au/invest-in-nsw/investment-assistance/business-grants/tech-vouchers.
- (5) The Government acknowledges the key role technology start-ups play in driving innovation and jobs creation within the New South Wales economy. Several reports have been published which note the scale and growth of the sector. These include:
- Silicon Beach A study of the Australian Start-up Ecosystem. Deloitte Private (2012).
- PwC report (commissioned by Google) The Start-up economy (2013).
- Blue Chilli's "Sydney Startrail Map" http://www.bluechilli.com/sydney-startrail-map/.
- (6) According to the PwC report The Start-up economy (2013), in April 2013 approximately 64 per cent of all tech start-ups were located in New South Wales.
- (7) This data is not currently collected.
- (8) This data is not currently collected, but two regions where incubators for tech start-ups operate are Newcastle and the Illawarra.
- (9) PwC's Google commissioned report 'The startup economy', predicts that the Australian startup sector has the capacity to deliver \$109 billion to the economy and create 540,000 new jobs by 2033.
- (10) This data is not currently collected.
- (11). An industry-led Taskforce developed the NSW Digital Economy Industry Action Plan, released in December 2012, which outlines a vision and strategy for the New South Wales digital economy over the next decade. The Government responded to each of the Taskforce's 50 recommendations, and prioritised initiatives to support the industry including support for the simplification and reform of visa processing; positioning Sydney as a Global Talent Hub; streamlining procurement processes and piloting Smart Work Hubs. The Industry Action Plan and the Government's response is available at: http://www.trade.nsw.gov.au/invest-in-nsw/industry-opportunities/information-and-communication-technology/industry-action-plan-digital-economy.

Also refer to answer provided at (1) and (5).

(12) In addition to the support currently available, multicultural businesses will benefit from \$1.1 million in funding over four years to engage specialist small business advisors with language skills, as part of Small Biz Connect, to support small businesses from non-English speaking backgrounds.

*6315 SHORT TERM LETTING AND OVERCROWDING IN APARTMENTS—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) Which councils have met with the Government to discuss barriers to preventing short term letting and overcrowding in apartments?
- (2) What barriers have been identified by the Government that would prevent councils from accessing apartments in order to obtain sufficient evidence to prove the illegal use of an apartment through short term letting or overcrowding?
- (3) Will the Government give powers to local councils to access apartments where there is evidence of short term letting or overcrowding?

Answer—

The issues raised are matters that largely fall under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and are therefore best directed to the Minister for Planning.

*6317 INNER CITY SATELLITE CLASSES—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many specialist intensive Satellite Classes does the Government provide in the inner city for students with conditions such as Autism?
- (2) How many students are currently enrolled in these Satellite Classes?
- (3) How many students are waiting for access to Satellite Classes?
- (4) Do students in the inner city and eastern suburbs have to travel out of area to access Satellite Classes?
- (5) What data does the Government have about the need for these intensive classes for students with special learning needs?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to increase the number of Satellite Class places available in the inner city?
- (7) What plans goes the Government have to improve facilities for Satellite Classes?
- (8) What further action will the Government take to improve access and facilities for Satellite Classes?

Answer—

- (1) Specialist intensive Satellite Classes for students with autism are fee paying provisions operated by Autism Spectrum Australia (ASPECT), a non-government organisation. I am advised that ASPECT does not operate any Satellite Classes for students with autism in the inner city.
- (2) The Government does not hold specific information about students in Satellite Classes operated by ASPECT.
- (3) The Government does not have information about students waiting to access ASPECT Satellite Classes
- (4) Satellite classes are a non-government education provision chosen by parents.
- (5) While the Government has no information about ASPECT's planning processes regarding its satellite classes, the Department of Education and Communities supports students with autism enrolled in inner city public schools through in-school resources including Learning and Support and Integration Funding Support at a cost that in 2014 is more than \$900,000.
- (6) The Government has no information about ASPECT's planning for Satellite Class places in the inner city.
- (7) The rental of accommodation in NSW public schools by ASPECT is in accordance with the conditions outlined in the Department's Community Use of School Facilities policy.
- (8) The Government is responsible for maintaining its school facilities. Where ASPECT has negotiated with an individual public school to operate a Satellite Class, the maintenance of the facility is addressed through specific agreements in line with the Department's Community Use of School Facilities policy.
- *6318 NSW GOVERNMENT IMMIGRATION AND SETTLEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—

How many times has the NSW Government Immigration and Settlement Planning Committee met in 2014?

Answer-

The Government Immigration and Settlement Planning Committee, which is co-chaired by Multicultural NSW and the Department of Premier and Cabinet, have met three times in 2014, with one further meeting planned for November 2014.

- *6319 IMPROVING ACCESS TO SERVICES FOR HUMANITARIAN ENTRANTS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
 - (1) Will the Department of Premier and Cabinet and the Community Relations Commission provide a report to Parliament about improving access to services for humanitarian entrants?
 - (a) If so, when?

Answer—

The Community Relations Commission for a Multicultural NSW and the Department of Premier and Cabinet will provide a joint response to the Public Accounts Committee in November 2014.

*6320 MULTICULTURAL TOURISM STRATEGY—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—

What progress has been made towards the implementation of a Multicultural Tourism Strategy since July 2013?

Answer-

The Community Relations Commission for a multicultural NSW (Multicultural NSW) developed the 2014 Multicultural Events Calendar as a strategy for drawing tourists to the multicultural tourism highlights of Sydney and greater New South Wales. The Multicultural Events Calendar was launched this year during Multicultural March, an annual month long celebration of our State's cultural diversity. Multicultural NSW also collaborated with Destination NSW to promote multicultural events and experiences throughout New South Wales, under the Government's Tourism Strategy.

Multicultural NSW will continue to develop strategic partnerships and engage with public, non-government and private sectors to maximise the benefits of our cultural diversity as a key focus of its Harmony in Action: Strategic Plan 2014-17.

Under Harmony in Action, a formalised community engagement strategy contains consultations with multicultural arts & culture organisations across New South Wales which will work to continue to develop multicultural tourism & arts initiatives in New South Wales.

*6321 MULTIPLE MULTICULTURAL NSW GRANT APPLICATIONS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—

Is it possible for a community organisation to apply for and/or receive a Multicultural NSW grant from multiple categories at the same time?

Answer-

Yes. An organisation can apply for and receive a grant from multiple categories at the same time providing that they meet the different criteria for those specific grant categories; however it should be noted that grant categories open at different times of the year.

*6322 AVAILABLE GRANT FUNDS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—

How much of the \$1.6 million in funding allocated to the Multicultural NSW Grants Program will be made available for each grant category?

Answer-

I was delighted to announce a \$200,000 increase in funding under the Multicultural NSW Grants Program in October 2014.

This takes the Government's total funding to \$1.6 million per year, which is an increase of \$400,000 since March 2011.

The Multicultural NSW Grants Program comprises:

• Unity Grants of up to \$30,000 for cross cultural community engagement projects.

- Celebration Grants of up to \$5,000 for events and festivals that celebrate cultural diversity.
- Support Grants of up to \$10,000 that support individuals and communities to fully participate in community life and build community capacity.
- Partnership Grants of up to \$150,000 are available for significant projects that will have a real impact on outcomes for New South Wales in the long term.
- *6323 MULTICULTURAL NSW GRANTS PROGRAM—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
 - (1) For the \$1.6 million in funding allocated to the Multicultural NSW Grants Program, will there be a funding allocation cap placed on any of the following categories:
 - (a) Unity Grants;
 - (b) Support Grants;
 - (c) Celebration Grants; and
 - (d) Partnership Grants?
 - (2) If there is to be a funding allocation cap, what amount will be capped for each grant category?

Answer-

This information is publicly available within the Grant Booklet released by Multicultural NSW to assist those wishing to apply for grants under the Multicultural NSW Grants Program.

This booklet can be found here: www.crc.nsw.gov.au/grants.

*6324 MULTICULTURAL NSW GRANT APPLICATIONS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—

Is there a limitation on the number of times an applicant may apply for one particular Multicultural NSW grant in a given period of time?

Answer—

Yes. However an applicant can apply for various grants but only one grant per project will be available in any given financial year.

- *6325 TRAFFIC OFFENCES AND MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
 - (1) How many motor vehicle accidents and traffic offences were recorded in Wakeley, Canley Heights and Canley Vale in each of the financial years 2012-13 and 2013-14?
 - (2) Which streets and roads recorded the most motor vehicle traffic offences and accidents throughout the 2013-14 financial year?

Answer-

I am advised:

(1) and (2)

Wakeley crashes 2012-13: 15; Wakeley crashes 2013-14: 10*.

Canley Heights crashes 2012-13: 55; Canley Heights crashes 2013-14: 58*.

Canley Vale crashes 2012-13: 59; Canley Vale crashes 2013-14: 42*.

Street of crash for Wakeley crashes 2013-14*:

Avoca Road, Box Road, Bulls Road, Canley Vale Road, Humphries Road, and Smithfield Road.

Street of crash for Canley Heights crashes 2013-14*:

Adolphus Street, Arbutus Street, Avoca Road, Avoca Street, Canley Vale Road, Cumberland Highway, Derby Street, Gladstone Street, Kiora Street, St Johns Road, Stroker Street, and Torrens Street.

Street of crash for Canley Vale crashes 2013-14*:

Bareena Street, Bromley Street, Canley Vale Road, Chancery Street, Hume Highway, Lansdowne Road, Mackenzie Street, Moore Street, Phelps Street, Prospect Road, Railway Parade, Sackville Street, The Avenue, and The Boulevarde.

*Crash data for 2014 is preliminary and subject to change. Crashes quoted are where at least one person

was killed or injured, or in which at least one motor vehicle was towed away.

Information about traffic offences is a matter for the Minister for Finance and Services responsible for the State Debt Recovery Office.

- *6326 TAFE NSW OUTREACH PROGRAMS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Education—
 - (1) Which TAFE NSW Institutes will be affected by the Government's decision to reduce funding to TAFE NSW Outreach programs?
 - (2) Where will students requiring the assistance and services of a TAFE NSW Outreach program receive aid following the reduction of funding?
 - (3) Will the reduction in funding result in a decrease in staff numbers at TAFE NSW?

Answer-

(1) TAFE NSW Outreach is an initiative designed to improve access to education and training for disadvantaged groups, including Aboriginal people, young people and people with disabilities. Outreach is an important part of TAFE's community engagement strategy.

Each TAFE NSW Institute is responsible for deciding how resources are allocated locally to provide the best outcomes for students, including resourcing of Outreach programs.

(2) Under Smart and Skilled, TAFE NSW will receive community service obligation funding to support the Government's expectation that Institutes will provide additional support to meet the needs of disadvantaged students.

Students from disadvantaged groups will continue to be eligible for fee concessions and exemptions under Smart and Skilled from 2015.

- (3) Not applicable.
- *6327 SOUTH COAST TRAIN LINE COMPLAINTS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) How many complaints did the 131 500 transport complaints line receive about the South Coast Train Line from:
 - (a) January 2013 to June 2013;
 - (b) July 2013 to December 2013; and
 - (c) January 2014 to June 2014?
 - (2) How many of the complaints in (1) related to the new South Coast Line timetable?

Answer-

I am advised:

Customer feedback is appreciated. We will continue to closely monitor the performance of the timetable.

- *6328 OVERCROWDING ON THE SOUTH COAST LINE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) What studies have Transport for NSW undertaken on overcrowding on the South Coast Line?
 - (2) Does Transport for NSW believe overcrowding is an issue on the South Coast Line?
 - (3) What action will Transport for NSW take to combat overcrowding on the South Coast Line?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) Train load figures are published on the Sydney Trains website.
- (3) The Government is investing \$2.8 billion to deliver 65 new state-of-the-art trains for the South Coast and other intercity lines.
- *6329 NSW HEALTHY SCHOOL CANTEEN STRATEGY—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Education—
 - (1) Is the Minister reviewing the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy?
 - (a) If so, what individuals or groups are having input in to this review?
 - (2) How does the Department of Education and Communities monitor the implementation of the Nutrition in Schools policy?
 - (3) What support is provided to schools to assist them to develop a healthy menu for their canteens?
 - (4) What action is taken towards schools who fail to comply with the guidelines regarding healthy school canteens?

Answer—

- (1) A review of the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy is underway. A joint working group with representatives from the Department of Education and Communities, the Ministry of Health and non-government education sectors is leading the review. The working group will undertake stakeholder mapping to determine key stakeholders. This will include stakeholders with nutrition and education knowledge and expertise. Consultation with identified stakeholders will occur as the review progresses.
- (2) Principals are responsible for monitoring their school's implementation of the Nutrition in Schools policy. The Healthy Canteen Self-Assessment tool assists schools to determine their level of implementation of the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy. It is expected that this is completed every two years. The tool helps identify where achievements have been made and if there are any gaps in the implementation of the Strategy.
- (3) A comprehensive range of support materials to assist schools in operating a healthy school canteen can be found on the Department's website. Government and non-government agencies provide assistance to schools to support the implementation of healthy canteens. For example, through the Live Life Well at School program funded by NSW Health, primary schools can access their local health promotion officer, who can help them with their canteen menus.
- (4) Where it is identified that a school is having difficulties complying with the Strategy, for example, through the use of the self-assessment tool, Directors, Public Schools NSW, are best placed to work with principals to support schools to address the issues.
- *6330 PUBLIC HOUSING SALES IN KEIRA—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Family and Community Services—
 - (1) How many Housing NSW properties have been sold in the Keira electorate since 2011?
 - (a) What was the total monetary value of these sales?
 - (b) Where has the revenue generated by these sales been reinvested?
 - (2) How many new public housing properties have been built in the Keira electorate since 2011?

Answer-

The NSW Land and Housing Corporation has an ongoing program to review its public housing assets to ensure that they meet the needs of public housing tenants and to provide a sustainable housing system.

Information about sales and supply is available in the NSW Land and Housing Corporation's Annual report at:

http:/

/www.facs.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/file/0011/279038/FACS_AR_2012-13_Land_and_Housing_WEB_FA CS.pdf.

- *6331 COAL STRATEGY UPDATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
 - (1) Has the strategic statement on NSW Coal been completed (ref Q.5150)?
 - (2) When will the strategy be released to the public?

Answer-

- (1) and (2) The Strategic Statement on NSW Coal was released 6 August 2014. It is publicly available at www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au.
- *6332 RELOCATED GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
 - (1) Which Government departments and agencies have been relocated to the Illawarra region since March 2011?
 - (2) How many jobs have been relocated in (1) since March 2011?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) The Government contributes significantly to regional employment in the Illawarra. As part of its ten year Decade of Decentralisation policy initiative, the Government has committed to relocating more public service jobs from the Sydney CBD to metropolitan and regional areas. In line with the Government's commitment to regional development under the Decade of Decentralisation policy, a second phase of work is underway to identify at least 1,500 public sector positions that could be relocated from Sydney to regional New South Wales.

*6333 NEW BUS SERVICES UPDATE—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

Can the Minister provide an update to the discussions between Transport for NSW and the bus operator of the two new bus services from Flinders to Shellharbour and Dapto to the University of Wollongong (ref Q.5905)?

Answer-

I am advised:

Route 52 operating between Flinders and Shellharbour Junction will commence on Monday 24 November when Shellharbour Junction Station opens.

Route 41 U operating between Dapto and the University of Wollongong is planned to start in early 2015. The details of this service and timetable are being finalised.

- *6334 X-RAY MACHINES AT MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - (1) How many X-ray machines are situated at Mount Druitt Hospital?
 - (a) How many of these machines are in working order?
 - (b) How old are each of these machines?
 - (c) When will these machines be replaced?

Answer-

I am advised:

That there are four X-ray machines situated at Mount Druitt Hospital. The ages of the machines range from 2 years to 22 years.

The Western Sydney Local Health District is currently undertaking a review of medical imaging equipment and the requirements of each hospital within the District, including Mount Druitt Hospital.

- *6335 ABORIGINAL TEACHING POSITIONS AT MOUNT DRUITT TAFE—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Education—
 - (1) How many Aboriginal teaching positions are there at Mount Druitt TAFE?
 - (a) Are these positions currently undergoing a review process?
 - (2) Will teachers currently employed in these positions have to re-apply for their jobs?
 - (3) Will any review result in a reduction of Aboriginal teaching positions at Mount Druitt TAFE?

Answer-

- (1) There are currently three full-time equivalent permanent Aboriginal teaching positions at TAFE NSW Western Sydney Institute, Mount Druitt College.
- (a) No.
- (2) No.
- (3) There are no current plans to reduce the number of Aboriginal teaching positions at Mount Druitt College.
- *6336 INSTALLATION OF A LIFT AT JANNALI RAILWAY STATION—Mr Barry Collier asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) Does the Minister have any plans to install a lift at Januali Railway Station?
 - (a) If so, when will construction on the lift commence?
 - (b) If so, what is the estimated cost of this project?
 - (c) If so, what will be the capacity of the proposed lift?

Answer-

In 2012, the Government announced the Transport Access Program which is delivering accessible, modern, secure and integrated transport infrastructure where it is needed most. This includes station upgrades, better interchanges and commuter car parks. This program includes more than \$770 million for improvements over four years.

Planning and design work is now underway to see which projects will come next. A lift at Jannali Station will be considered as part of this process.

The Transport Access Program is part of the Government's commitment to improve public transport

services and provide a world class transport system people want to use.

- *6337 THE DREDGING OF PORT HACKING—Mr Barry Collier asked the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—
 - (1) Will the Government continue to fund the dredging of Port Hacking?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) If so, will the dredged sand be dropped off in Bate Bay in order to replenish Cronulla's beaches?

Answer-

- (1) (a) and (b) Yes. In September 2014 the Government announced funding of \$630,000 through the Rescuing our Waterways Program to support Sutherland Council deliver dredging works at Maianbar in Port Hacking. Council is responsible for delivering the program and determining the most effective placement of sand.
- *6338 GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO STORM AFFECTED RESIDENTS—Mr Ron Hoenig asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
 - (1) How will the Government assist residents whose homes were damaged in the storm on 14 October 2014?
 - (2) How will the Government assist businesses in the Blue Mountains that were forced to close due to damage to their premises?
 - (3) How many calls did the State Emergency Service receive across New South Wales as a result of this storm?
 - (4) How long is the clean up effort expected to take in the Blue Mountains?
 - (5) How long is the clean up effort expected to take in Metropolitan Sydney?

Answer-

I am advised:

(1) The NSW State Emergency Service (SES), as the combat agency for storms, provided first response with assistance from Fire & Rescue NSW and NSW Rural Fire Service strike teams.

Sydney residents affected by the storms on 14 October 2014 may be eligible for assistance in the form of a Disaster Relief Grant under the NSW Personal Hardship and Distress Scheme. The Ministry for Police and Emergency Services offers financial assistance for residents who are experiencing financial hardship and have sustained damage to their homes or essential household items during disasters.

People with limited financial resources and who are without insurance may be eligible for a contribution towards the cost of undertaking structural repairs to their home or towards replacing essential household items.

Those who think they may be eligible are encouraged to visit www.emergency.nsw.gov.au or contact the Disaster Welfare Assistance Line on 1800 018 444 for further information on how to claim.

(2) The Government assists businesses through its support of the NSW State Emergency Service, Councils and other emergency services in clearing roads and cleaning up storm debris so the local economy can get back on its feet.

The Government also assists businesses through the Office of the Small Business Commissioner and its Small Biz Connect program. This program has 18 business advisory services across NSW providing information and advice to small businesses, including those dealing with the impact of natural disasters. Through the Small Biz Bus mobile advisory service and the Penrith Valley Business Enterprise Centre, the Government has been providing ongoing support to small Blue Mountains businesses recovering over the last 12 months since the devastating bush fires. This assistance will continue for those impacted by the storm.

Finally, the Government will seek advice as to whether a Natural Disaster can be declared for the storm. If a Natural Disaster is declared, the Government will activate low-interest loans for eligible small businesses that have suffered damage to their assets as a direct result of the disaster.

- (3) The NSW SES received 2,700 requests for assistance for this storm event. Fire & Rescue NSW took 1,105 Triple Zero calls, of which 120 were passed on to the NSW SES.
- (4) The vast majority of tasks in the Blue Mountains area were completed by the NSW SES prior to 19 October 2014, with all tasks completed by 20 October 2014.

- (5) All NSW SES tasks were completed in the Sydney metropolitan area prior to 20 October 2014. The NSW SES has reported minimal follow-up maintenance and repair requests, with the last of these completed on 23 October 2014.
- *6339 COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAM CHANGES—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Education—

Has the Government made any representations to the Federal Government about the impact of the recent changes to the Community Support Program on childcare availability, costs and flexibility for families in New South Wales?

Answer—

The Community Support Program is a Commonwealth Government program and child care providers are asked to make any representations directly to the Commonwealth Assistant Minister for Education, the Hon Sussan Ley MP.

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- 6342 BUSES REPLACING TRAINS INTO NEWCASTLE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6343 2014 HUNTER REGIONAL TRANSPORT PLAN—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6344 WICKHAM BUS TIMETABLES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6345 MEDIAN WAITING TIMES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6346 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL EYE CLINIC—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6347 FUTURE LOWER HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6348 TAFE FEES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME TRIAL SITES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 6350 DRIVER LICENCE TESTING OFFICERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—
- 6351 RESPONSE TO OMBUDSMAN'S REPORT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6352 LIVERPOOL LOCAL COURT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6353 JOHN MORONY CORRECTIONAL CENTRE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- PROTECTION FROM CONVICTED TERRORISM OFFENDERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6355 COMPUTERISED OPERATIONAL POLICING SYSTEM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6356 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6357 SHERIFF'S OFFICERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

*6358 CASTLEREAGH STREET REFURBISHMENTS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

What was the cost of refurbishing the premises at 323 Castlereagh Street, Sydney to accommodate the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority?

Answer-

The Department has not incurred any costs associated with office refurbishment at 323 Castlereagh Street, Sydney for the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority. All refurbishment costs for the Castlereagh Street office premises have been incurred as part of the Department's Sydney Metropolitan Office Accommodation Strategy.

*6359 VALENTINE AVENUE REFURBISHMENTS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

What was the cost of refurbishing the premises at 10 Valentine Avenue, Parramatta for the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing?

Answer-

The Department has not incurred any office refurbishment costs for the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing on Level 11, 2-10 Valentine Avenue, Parramatta.

- 6360 BARBED WIRE FENCING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6361 COMPENSATION PAYMENTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6362 CAR SHARING APPLICATIONS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6363 CANE TOADS IN THE SUTHERLAND SHIRE—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- 6364 SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR INDUSTRY—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—

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(Paper No. 11)

- 6365 SALE OF HERITAGE BUILDINGS IN MILLERS POINT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 6366 INQUIRY INTO SOCIAL, PUBLIC AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- DARLING HOUSE AGED CARE FACILITY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 6368 TAFE OUTREACH PROGRAMS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6369 SEX EDUCATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6370 GAY HATE CRIMES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
- 6371 MARDI GRAS POLICING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
- 6372 CANCER SERVICES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- 6373 INNER CITY FERRY SERVICES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6374 AMBULATORY CARE CENTRE—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6375 EATING DISORDERS PROJECT FORUM—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—
- 6376 ROOTY HILL ROADWORKS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 6377 KIDS HELPLINE FUNDING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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(Paper No. 12)

- 6378 RAIL MAINTENANCE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6379 NEWCASTLE RAIL LINE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6380 ENERGY PROVIDER APPRENTICESHIPS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
- 6381 AUSGRID STAFF CONDUCT AND MORALE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
- *6382 CLOSURE OF THE NEWCASTLE RAIL LINE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—
 - (1) Have any of the funds held and managed by Restart NSW been committed to the closure of the Newcastle Rail Line?
 - (a) Was a cost-benefit analysis provided?
 - (2) Has a cost-benefit analysis been provided for the potential installation of light rail in the Newcastle CBD?
 - (3) What is the final cost and timing for the installation of the light rail in the Newcastle CBD, based on details provided for assessment by Restart NSW?
 - (4) Have any funds from Restart NSW been allocated to the Resources for Regions program?
 - (5) How does Resources for Regions satisfy the requirement for a cost-benefit analysis to be provided to Restart NSW prior to the release of funds?
 - (6) Are applicants for Resources for Regions funding required to provide a cost-benefit analysis?

Answer—

I am advised that:

Information regarding Restart NSW is available in Budget Paper 4 of NSW Budget Papers 2014-15.

Information including Light Rail can be found at http://revitalisingnewcastle.com.au/.

Information regarding Resources for Regions can be found at http://www.infrastructure.nsw.gov.au/restart-nsw.aspx.

- 6383 PUBLIC ASSETS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- 6384 STAFF TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT AT AUSGRID—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6385 NEWCASTLE RAIL CORRIDOR—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

6386 FOSTER CARE IN THE HUNTER—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community

- 6386 FOSTER CARE IN THE HUNTER—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 6387 EASY ACCESS LIFT AT YAGOONA RAILWAY STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6388 BUS SERVICES FOR CHESTER HILL RESIDENTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6389 BUS SERVICES FOR SEFTON RESIDENTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6390 CONTRACTUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR OPAL RETAILERS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6391 EASY ACCESS LIFT AT CHESTER HILL RAILWAY STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6392 NORTH CENTRAL LOCAL AREA PLAN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6393 SAFETY FENCING AT BANKSTOWN SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6394 BIRRONG RAILWAY STATION UPGRADES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6395 MAINS WATER SUPPLY UPGRADES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—
- 6396 CRIME RATES IN FAIRFIELD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
- 6397 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
- 6398 STATION UPGRADES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6399 LACK OF MOBILITY ACCESS TO STATION PLATFORMS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6400 SAVINGS FROM PROPOSED COUNCIL AMALGAMATION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 6401 LOCAL COUNCIL AMALGAMATION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 6402 TEACHERS' AIDES IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES WITH DISABLED RELATIVES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 6404 SCHOOL STUDENT TRANSPORT SCHEME—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6405 SYDNEY TRAIN FARE BRACKETS—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6406 INTERSECTION OF GLEESON AVENUE AND BURROWS AVENUE, SYDENHAM—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- 6407 ENTERTAINMENT QUARTER AT FOX STUDIOS—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
- 6408 CENTENNIAL PARKLANDS—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- 6409 DIABETES TREATMENT IN THE SUTHERLAND SHIRE—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6410 MAYORAL ELECTIONS—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 6411 SUTHERLAND SHIRE COUNCIL—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
- 6412 HOSPITAL IMAGING DEPARTMENTS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- PEDESTRIAN CROSSING OUTSIDE MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 6414 CHARLESTOWN EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL SECURITY FENCE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6415 ACCESS TO SPECIALISED CLASSES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6416 USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS FOR NEWCASTLE TRANSPORT—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

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(Paper No. 13)

- 6417 MAGISTRATE ECKHOLD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6418 DUBBO LOCAL COURT SITTINGS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6419 MAGISTRATE ECKHOLD LOCAL COURT MATTERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6420 COURT ROOM VISITS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6421 STATE LIBRARY FUNDING CUTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- REPRESENTATIONS REGARDING MAGISTRATE ECKHOLD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 6423 NSW ELECTORAL COMMISSION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 6424 PLUMBING COURSES AT MILLER TAFE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6425 BUILDINGS THAT HOUSE BROTHELS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 6426 2014 HUNTER REGIONAL TRANSPORT PLAN PROJECTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 6427 ADAMSTOWN RAILWAY LEVEL CROSSING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

- 6428 TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6429 P1 DRIVING TEST WAIT TIMES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—
- 6430 FIRE AND RESCUE NSW FUNDING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
- 6431 GOING HOME STAYING HOME POLICY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 6432 INTERNATIONAL CHILD CARE COLLEGE AT BROADMEADOW—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- *6433 FUNDING FOR PARRAMASALA—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
 - (1) Will the Minister commit to further funding of Parramasala?
 - (a) If so, will the funding be timely to allow sufficient time for the organisers to prepare for the event?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer-

- (1) Destination NSW informed the Board of Parramasala Limited in May 2014 that 2014 would be the final year it would be investing in the Parramasala Festival.
- (a) N/a; (b) Refer to question 1.
- 6434 PEDIATRICS AND CHILD HEALTH RESEARCH—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6435 ROOTY HILL RAILWAY STATION PEDESTRIAN RAMPS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6436 GROUP HOMES—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 6437 DARLING HARBOUR LIVE DEVELOPMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

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- 6438 AMBIENT AIR QUALITY REVIEW—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- 6439 ENTERTAINMENT QUARTER SALE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- 6440 311 BUS SERVICE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- ROAD SAFETY FOR CYCLISTS IN OXFORD STREET—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 6442 MILLERS POINT HOUSING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 6443 CENTRAL TO EVELEIGH PLANNING PROJECT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—

- 6444 OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6445 FARM ANIMAL PAIN RELIEF—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Primary Industries—
- 6446 CHILDCARE IN GAMBLING VENUES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 6447 SENIORS TRAVEL FARE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6448 NOISE ABATEMENT—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6449 ACOUSTIC NOISE MEASUREMENTS ON THE SOUTH RAIL LINE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6450 INSTALLATION OF NOISE BARRIERS ALONG THE SOUTH LINE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6451 SOUTH WEST RAIL LINK COMMUTER SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6452 SOUTH WEST RAIL LINK TIMETABLE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6453 SENIORS CARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 6454 SENIOR CARD APPLICATION METHODS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 6455 GAS LEAK DETECTION AND REPAIR—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- 6456 GOVERNMENT APPRENTICES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 6457 JUMPSTART RECRUITS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—
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- 6470 SALE OF CHILD WINDOW SAFETY DEVICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
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- 6553 KINGS CROSS VENUES WITH A STRIKE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 6554 METHAMPHETAMINE USE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 6562 BEAUMONT STREET, HAMILTON, LEVEL CROSSING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
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- 6572 ELECTRICITY SUPPLY TO THE CABRAMATTA ELECTORATE—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
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- 6577 PUBLIC ART FUNDING—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 6578 COUNCIL AMALGAMATIONS—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 6579 CREDIT PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6580 JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTRE AT KARIONG—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6581 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6582 VICTIMS RIGHTS AND SUPPORT ACT 2013—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6583 OFFICE OF THE LEGAL SERVICES COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 6584 MISS EARTH AUSTRALIA PAGEANT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 6585 FUTURE PLANS FOR THE LIVERPOOL ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES BUILDING—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—
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- 6587 FUTURE PLANS FOR THE LIVERPOOL ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES BUILDING—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—
- 6588 PERITONECTOMY SURGERY—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6589 HEALTH SERVICES IN GOULBURN—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- 6590 SENIOR CLINICIAN AT LISMORE BASE HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6591 NORTHERN NEW SOUTH WALES LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT BOARD MEETINGS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6592 PETITION SIGNED BY SENIOR CLINICIANS AT LISMORE BASE HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6593 BUS ROUTES IN MOUNT DRUITT—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

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- 6594 BUS SERVICES FOR BELMONT CHRISTIAN COLLEGE STUDENTS—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 6595 HILLSBOROUGH ROAD AND CHADWICK STREET INTERSECTION—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 6596 HILLSBOROUGH ROAD AND CROCKETT STREET INTERSECTION—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 6597 DUBBO BASE HOSPITAL—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 6598 NSW LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION PROPERTIES—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 6599 PESTICIDES TO CONTROL THE FRUIT FLY POPULATION—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Primary Industries—
- 6600 MICHELLE MCILQUHAM—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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- 6601 CALVARY RETIREMENT COMMUNITY CESSNOCK—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - (1) Has the land on which the former Allandale Hospital is situated been sold to the current operator or is it on a long term lease?
 - (2) Is any of the land at this facility still under the care and control of Hunter New England Health?
 - (a) If so, which parts of the site?
 - (3) Does Hunter New England Health have any annual ongoing costs related to this site?
 - (a) If so, what is the extent or value of these ongoing expenses?
 - (4) Is the agreement for the care, maintenance and upkeep of the site and its various buildings in a publicly listed document?
 - (a) If so, where can that document be found?
- 6602 MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELLING SERVICES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - (1) Does the Minister stand by her public statements that the Hunter's Medicare Local would provide the necessary care and service following the 30 June 2014 termination of Hunter New England Health (HNEH) Community Health Psychology and Social Work services?

- (2) Is the Minister aware that the Federal Government has announced the termination of Hunter Medicare Local?
- (3) What work or investigations have been made by NSW Health to re-assess the provision of mental health services across the HNEH area since the announcement by the Federal Government to terminate the Hunter Medicare Local?
- (4) How many social workers and psychologists were employed by HNEH in the Community Health Psychology and SocialWork teams as at 1 January 2014?
 - (a) How many of these same Social Workers and Psychologists were employed by HNEH in the Community Health Psychology and Social Work teams as at 1 November 2014?
 - (b) Were any of these same Social Workers and Psychologists still employed by HNEH in any other Departments as at 1 November 2014?
 - (i) If so, how many?
- 6603 SURGICAL TREATMENT OF CEREBRAL ANEURISMS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - (1) Which hospitals in the Hunter New England Health (HNEH) Area have the capacity to perform surgery on cerebral aneurisms?
 - (2) How long is the average post-surgery stay in an Intensive Care Unit (ICU) in a HNEH facility?
 - (3) How many ward beds are available for patients with cerebral aneurisms across HNEH, post-surgery and ICU?
 - (a) What is the average length of ward stay, post-surgery, for patients with this condition?
 - (b) What is the ratio of ward beds per HNEH capita for this condition?
 - (4) Which hospitals in the Sydney region have the capacity to perform surgery for cerebral aneurisms?
 - (5) How long is the average post-surgery stay in an Intensive Care Unit (ICU) in a Sydney based facility?
 - (6) How many ward beds are available for cerebral aneurisms across the Sydney region, post-surgery and ICU?
 - (a) What is the average length of ward stay, post-surgery, for patients with this condition?
 - (b) What is the ratio of ward beds per Sydney Region capita for this condition?
- 6604 CESSNOCK CORRECTIONAL CENTRE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
 - (1) Is Cessnock Correctional Centre now fully operational with all areas of the Centre opened and staffed?
 - (a) If so, how many inmates can the Centre incarcerate in the Minimum Security Section?
 - (b) If so, how many inmates can the Centre incarcerate in the Maximum Security Section?
 - (c) If so, how many full time equivalent (FTE) staff are employed at the Centre?
 - (d) If so, how many of these FTE staff are allocated to the Minimum Security Section?
 - (e) If so, how many of these FTE staff are allocated to the Maximum Security Section?
 - (f) If not, when will the Centre be fully operational?
- 6605 REMOVAL OF THE NEWCASTLE RAIL LINE AT WICKHAM—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) What will be the total cost to remove the Newcastle Rail Line at Wickham?
 - (2) Has any core sampling been done to measure and determine the level of asbestos contaminants in the soil under the existing rail line?
 - (3) Has any core sampling been done to measure and determine the level of any other contaminants in the soil under the existing rail line?
 - (4) Will the asbestos under the existing rail line be removed as a part of the proposed works?
 - (5) How much funding has been allocated to the removing or dealing with the asbestos along the rail corridor?
 - (6) What steps will be put into place to ensure that asbestos contaminants do no become airborne affecting the broader community?
 - (7) When did the practice of using asbestos in the train braking systems begin and when did it conclude?
- AUSTRALIA-CHINA FREE TRADE AGREEMENT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

What industries in New South Wales are expected to benefit from the Federal Government's free trade agreement between Australia and China?

- 6607 IMPACT OF FREE TRADE AGREEMENT ON PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Primary Industries—
 - What primary industries in New South Wales are expected to benefit from the Federal Government's free trade agreement between Australia and China?
- 6608 NEW SCHOOLS IN CESSNOCK—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) Are there plans to construct any new primary schools in the Cessnock electorate in the next 10 years to cater for the increase in housing development in the area?
 - (a) If so, where?
 - (2) Are there plans to construct any new secondary schools in the Cessnock electorate in the next 10 years to cater for the increase in housing development in the area?
 - (a) If so, where?
- 6609 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
 - (1) How many domestic violence shelters are located in New South Wales?
 - (2) Are any domestic violence shelters funded by the Government?
 - (a) If so, are these shelters partially or fully funded by the Government?
 - (3) What is the maximum number of domestic violence victims that are able to be housed at shelters across New South Wales on any given night?
- 6610 REMEDIATION OF THE EXISTING HEAVY RAIL CORRIDOR ON THE NEWCASTLE RAIL LINE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - What is the projected cost of remediating the existing heavy rail corridor on the Newcastle Rail Line which is required to eradicate the identified RailCorp pollutants which were identified in the 2010 AECOM study carried out on behalf of Transport NSW?
- 6611 NEWCASTLE RAIL LINE REMOVAL—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - Will the Government defer the Newcastle Rail Line's removal until after the March 2015 election?
- 6612 OPAL CARD ROLL-OUT IN NEWCASTLE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) What are the reasons for the incomplete Opal card roll-out prior to the proposed disruptions to rail facilities in Newcastle?
 - (2) Can the Minister explain why the closest place to purchase an Opal card for commuters at Hamilton Railway Station is over a kilometre away?
- 6613 SMART AND SKILLED TRAINING PROVIDERS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) Will the Minister review the Smart and Skilled program funding allocation for 2015 given the confusion surrounding the decision process?
 - (2) What are the reasons for the current situation where many employers can no longer access the providers that they have successfully worked with in the past?
- 6614 EDUCATION CONTRIBUTION TO GALLIPOLI CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Education—
 - Will the Minister honour the undertaking given by the former Member for Newcastle to the Newcastle and Hunter Combined Schools ANZAC Service Committee to provide \$5,000 from the Minister's portfolio budget for the centenary of the Gallipoli landing celebrations?
- 6615 RENEW NEWCASTLE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—
 - (1) Will the Government continue to provide \$50,000 from Trade and Investment's Enterprising Regions Program for Renew Newcastle?

- (a) If not, why not?
- (2) Will the Government reinstate the \$50,000 that Arts NSW provided as annual program funding to Renew Newcastle?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (3) Will the Premier continue to provide \$50,000 from the Premier's Rural and Regional Grants Fund for Renew Newcastle?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- (4) Will UrbanGrowth NSW provide core funding of \$200,000 to Renew Newcastle to ensure their ongoing contribution to Newcastle's renewal?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- VETERANS AFFAIRS CONTRIBUTION TO GALLIPOLI CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—

Will the Minister honour the undertaking given by the former Member for Newcastle to the Newcastle and Hunter Combined Schools ANZAC Service Committee to provide \$5,000 from the Minister's portfolio budget for the centenary of the Gallipoli landing celebrations?

- 6617 SOCIAL HOUSING IN NEWCASTLE—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
 - (1) Is the NSW Land and Housing Corporation currently reviewing its Community Housing Portfolio Strategy?
 - (a) If so, what is the mechanism for tenant and community input?
 - (b) When will the revised Strategy be released?
 - (2) What are the reasons for the active move away from the provision of three bedroom housing stock towards one and two bedroom stock in the Newcastle area?
 - (3) Has the demand for social housing and the increasing cost of living in Newcastle resulted in families having to accept housing in suburbs that have minimal infrastructure and have lower employment prospects?
- 6618 NEWCASTLE CBD SUBSIDENCE ISSUES—Mr Tim Crakanthorp to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
 - (1) How much of the Newcastle CBD is undermined?
 - (2) How much funding is available to the Mine Subsidence Board?
 - (3) Has the Minister, or the Board, developed a plan to remediate the Newcastle CBD subsidence issues? (a) If not, why not?
- RISK BASED LOADING FEES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
 - (1) To what extent has the Government accounted for discrepancies in permissible hours for licensed venues between development approval and liquor licences for risk based loading fees?
 - (2) Will the Office of Liquor, Gaming and Racing base the risk based loading fee criteria on the hours of operation permitted by the liquor licence even if a venue is not permitted to operate during those hours under its development approval?
 - (a) If so, why are such venues required to pay the \$5,000 annual fee when they are not operational during later trading hours?
 - (3) What action will the Government take to ensure that risk based loading fees reflect the true risk of a venue based on actual permitted trading hours?
- 6620 GREYHOUND RACING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
 - (1) Will the Government require Greyhound Racing NSW (GRNSW) to collect and report on:
 - (a) The number of litters registered;
 - (b) The number of greyhound pups born;
 - (c) The number of greyhound pups microchipped and ear marked;
 - (d) The number of greyhound pups registered;

- (e) The number of greyhounds named;
- (2) What happens to all greyhounds from registered litters, including greyhounds that are not named?
- (3) From which date can GRNSW track every greyhound from a registered litter at each stage of their entire lifecycle through the OzChase system?
- (4) What data related to the lifecycle tracking of a greyhound, including retirement and euthanasia, does the OzChase system record?
- (5) Are all of the greyhounds currently eligible for racing in New South Wales recorded in the OzChase database?
 - (a) If so, how many greyhounds does this apply to?
 - (b) If not, how many greyhounds are currently eligible for racing in New South Wales and how is this figure established?
- (6) How many litters were registered with GRNSW in 2012 and 2013?
- (7) In 2012 and 2013, how many greyhound pups were:
 - (a) Born in litters registered with GRNSW?
 - (b) Microchipped, tattooed and registered with GRNSW?
 - (c) Named with GRNSW?
- (8) In 2012 and 2013, how many greyhounds did GRNSW receive a Notification of Retirement form notifying that the greyhound had been:
 - (a) Retired as a pet or a GAP greyhound;
 - (b) Been transferred to another adoption program;
 - (c) Retired as a breeding animal;
 - (d) Exported;
 - (e) Surrendered to another agency;
 - (f) Euthanised by a veterinary surgeon; and
 - (g) Deceased?
- (9) What action will the Government take or require from GRNSW to prevent greyhounds being euthanised after:
 - (a) They sustain treatable injuries;
 - (b) They are deemed unsuitable for racing; and
 - (c) They are deemed too old for racing?
- (10) Will the Government require GRNSW to record and report on track injury and euthanasia information from all registered New South Wales racing tracks?
- (11) Will the Government require non-TAB tracks in New South Wales to make stewards' reports publicly accessible, including information on injuries and euthanasia?
- (12) How many greyhounds found homes through the RSPCA NSW and Animal Welfare League NSW in each of the years from 2011 to 2013?
- (13) How many greyhounds were registered with GRNSW's Greyhounds As Pets (GAP) program in each of the years from 2011 to 2013?
- (14) How many greyhounds were successfully rehomed by GRNSW's GAP program in each of the years from 2011 to 2013?
- (15) How many of the greyhounds registered with GRNSW's GAP program failed the behavioural assessment for suitability and safety as a pet in each of the years from 2011 to 2013?
- (16) How many of these greyhounds were euthanised and how many were returned to the owner?
- (17) How many greyhounds are anticipated to be rehomed annually by GRNSW's GAP program when the Wyee facility is fully operational?
- (18) What new initiatives and funding will the Government require of GRNSW to increase the number of greyhounds rehomed through the Greyhounds As Pets program?
- 6621 VACANT LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION PROPERTIES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
 - (1) How many Land and Housing Corporation properties, identified by postcode, were:
 - (a) Vacant and waiting for maintenance and repairs as at 31 October 2014;
 - (b) Vacant and in leasable condition as at 31 October 2014;
 - (c) Vacant and waiting for sale as at 31 October 2014; and
 - (d) Not in leasable condition, unable to be repaired and not identified for sale as at 31 October 2014?
 - (2) How long have each of these properties been vacant?

- 6622 LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION SALES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
 - (1) How many Land and Housing Corporation residential properties have been sold, by postcode, since 1 January 2013?
 - (2) How many individual homes were lost from the Land and Housing Corporation portfolio, by postcode, since 1 January 2013?
 - (3) How many Land and Housing Corporation commercial properties have been sold, by postcode, since 1 January 2013?
 - (4) How many individual public housing homes have been built or purchased, by postcode, since 1 January 2013?
- 6623 BARANGAROO PUBLIC WORKS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—
 - (1) Does the Government remain committed to all of the approved public works at Barangaroo including the headland park and cultural facilities?
 - (2) What action is the Government taking to ensure these public works and remediation are self-funded under the development agreement?
 - (3) Will the Government assess other development applications on the site while it negotiates with Lend Lease?
 - (4) What assessment has the Government made about the terms of the public works contracts at the Barangaroo site?
 - (5) What changes will be made to future major project approvals to ensure the public benefits in the future?
- 6624 ULTIMO PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) What advice has the Government been provided about the cost of remediation of the former council depot site at Wattle Street as the location for a new public school in Ultimo?
 - (2) What is the Environment Protection Authority's (EPA) advice about the cost of remediation of this site for school purposes?
 - (3) Did the Department of Education and Communities estimate that the remediation of this site will cost \$14.6 million above the estimated cost in order to meet EPA standards?
 - (4) Is the Government committed to providing a new larger school for Ultimo?
 - (5) What other options does the Government have for a larger school to replace the current Ultimo Public School that is at capacity?
 - (6) What action will the Government take to ensure prompt agreement on this sale and approval for a new school?
- 6625 TRANSGENDER STUDENT SUPPORT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) What data is collected about students in New South Wales schools who identify as transgender?
 - (2) What policies apply in New South Wales schools to address the needs of transgender students?
 - (3) What training and professional development is provided for teachers about transgender identity?
 - (4) What support does the Government provide to schools where students who identify as transgender are initiating or undertaking transition?
 - (5) What resources on transgender concerns does the Government provide to:
 - (a) Government schools; and
 - (b) Non-government schools?
 - (6) What protections apply to address abuse, discrimination and vilification of transgender students?
 - (7) What plans does the Government have to expand or update resources, training and policies in relation to transgender students?
 - (8) What further action will the Government take to improve support and protection for transgender students?
- 6626 TRANSGENDER RECOGNITION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
 - (1) What are the current provisions for legal recognition of people of transitioned gender?
 - (2) What provisions apply to sex reassignment, or gender affirmation, surgery as part of this process?
 - (3) What consideration has the Government given to removing the requirement for surgical intervention as a condition of legal transgender recognition?
 - (4) What conditions relating to surgical intervention apply in other jurisdictions?

- (5) What further action will the Government take to improve the process for legal recognition of gender transition?
- 6627 SYDNEY HARBOUR FORESHORE AUTHORITY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
 - (1) What is the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority's (SHFA) policy regarding conditions applying to use publicly accessible land such as roads, footpaths and walkways?
 - (2) Does the SHFA policy in (1) exclude activities such as:
 - (a) Discussing public policy matters;
 - (b) Providing information to members of the public;
 - (c) Holding meetings or touring the area; and
 - (d) Collecting signatures on petitions?
 - (3) Are SHFA Rangers directed to prevent the activities in (2) from taking place on SHFA land?
 - (a) If not, what is the process for registering complaints about such activities?
 - (4) Is CCTV used to identify where these activities take place?
 - (a) If so, what is the SHFA policy regarding the use of surveillance to prevent political activity?
 - (5) What signage is provided to alert citizens of the prohibited activities on SHFA land, or that they may be monitored by CCTV and that SHFA rangers are permitted to remove them from the area?
 - (6) What protections apply to allow the use of SHFA land for non-violent political expression?
 - (7) Will the Government ensure that citizens can use public SHFA land for legitimate political expression?
- 6628 FAIR TRADING COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
 - (1) Has Fair Trading investigated a complaint made by Ms Grace Kostopoulos regarding the repairs undertaken on her Audi A4 motor vehicle?
 - (2) When was Fair Trading first notified of Ms Kostopoulos' complaint?
 - (3) When did Fair Trading conduct the investigation into the complaint?
 - (4) What was the outcome of or recommendation arising from the investigation?
- PRODUCT SAFETY WARNINGS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
 - (1) Have there been any other delays in the issuing of product safety warnings by Fair Trading in the last three years, aside from the delay involving faulty USB chargers that followed the death of Sheryl Aldeguer in April 2014?
 - (a) Is so, what were the details of these warnings?
- 6630 MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR INDUSTRY REFORMS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
 - Since the tabling of the report of the Select Committee on the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry on 2 July 2014, how many formal submissions has the Minister, his office or Fair Trading received from individuals, groups and associations with regard to further reforms of the motor vehicle repair industry?
- 6631 SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR INDUSTRY REPORT—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
 - (1) Since the tabling of the report of the Select Committee on the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry on 2 July 2014, on how many occasions has the Minister or a representative from his office met with a representative from each of the following organisations regarding the implementations of the report's recommendations:
 - (a) Motor Traders Association of New South Wales;
 - (b) Australian Association of Progressive Repairers; and
 - (c) Suncorp Insurance Group?
- 6632 INTERNAL AUDIT UNIT REVIEW—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
 - (1) What were the outcomes of the Internal Audit Unit's review of Fair Trading's processes for administering product safety notices?
 - (2) Will the outcomes of this review be made publicly available?

- 6633 ENFORCEMENT OF NO SMOKING BAN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - On how many days have NSW Health inspectors attempted to enforce the no smoking ban under the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 near the entrance to Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital in each of the years 2013 and 2014?
- 6634 BREACHES OF THE SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT ACT 2000—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - How many enforcement actions have been issued by NSW Health Inspectors for breaches of the Smoke-free Environment Act 2000 near the entrance of Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital in each of the years 2013 and 2014?
- 6635 TRAIN TIMETABLE COMPLAINTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) Of the 4804 train timetable complaints noted in the report of the Auditor-General of New South Wales, can the Minister specify how many of the complaints were from residents who live in each of the following suburbs:
 - (a) Chester Hill;
 - (b) Sefton;
 - (c) Villawood;
 - (d) Yagoona; and
 - (e) Birrong?
- 6636 MAINTENANCE WORKS ON AUBURN ROAD—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
 - (1) What repair and maintenance works have been completed on the Hume Highway between Yagoona Railway Station and Auburn Road in each of the years 2013 and 2014?
 - (2) Do any of these works require further repair or maintenance?
 - (a) If so, when will they be completed?
- 6637 2013 MULTICULTURAL POLICY AND SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) Did the Department of Education and Communities produce a Multicultural Policy and Services Program Report for 2013?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- 6638 2014 MULTICULTURAL POLICY AND SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) Did the Department of Education and Communities produce a Multicultural Policy and Services Program Report for 2014?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- 6639 MULTICULTURAL ACTION ADVANTAGE PLAN FOR 2015—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
 - Is the Department of Education and Communities committed to developing a new Multicultural Action Advantage Plan following the expiration of the current plan in 2015?
- 6640 MULTICULTURAL POLICY AND SERVICES PROGRAM REPORT—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
 - Does the Department of Education and Communities intend to produce a Multicultural Policy and Services Program Report in 2015, in accordance with the Multicultural Action Advantage Plan 2012-2015?
- 6641 EFFECTIVENESS OF THE MULTICULTURAL POLICY AND SERVICES PROGRAM—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
 - (1) Has an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Multicultural Policy and Services Program ever been

conducted?

- (a) If so, what were the outcomes of this evaluation?
- (b) If not, why not?
- 6642 MULTICULTURAL POLICY AND SERVICES PROGRAM—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
 - How has the Minister's 2012 reform of the Multicultural Policy and Services Program strengthened accountability reporting of multicultural policies and services in Government agencies?
- MONITORING AND PUBLIC REPORTING PROCESSES OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
 - What processes have been put in place by the former NSW Community Relations Commission or the new Multicultural NSW to ensure effective monitoring and transparent public reporting by Government agencies under the Multicultural Policy and Services Program?
- 6644 COMPLAINTS REGARDING SOUTH LINE SERVICES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) How many complaints were received by Sydney Trains in each of the following categories by commuters using South Line services in 2013-14:
 - (a) Timetables;
 - (b) Ticketing;
 - (c) Information;
 - (d) Environment;
 - (e) Security;
 - (f) Service;
 - (g) On-time Running;
 - (h) Facilities; and
 - (i) Staff?
- 6645 ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES FIVE DOCK—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—
 - (1) When will Roads and Maritime Services cease operating out of its current premises in Five Dock?
 - (2) How many people are employed at Roads and Maritime Services Five Dock?
- 6646 REPLACEMENT FIREFIGHTER DEPLOYMENT—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
 - (1) How many times were the following fire stations taken offline due to staff absences from 21 December 2013 to 21 November 2014:
 - (a) Miranda Fire Station;
 - (b) Sutherland Fire Station; and
 - (c) Menai Fire Station?
 - (2) In each case, from which fire station(s) were firefighters deployed to replace firefighters from the station taken offline?
- MIRANDA FIRE STATION—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
 - (1) Given the recent large redevelopment of Westfield Miranda, is the Minister confident that Miranda Fire Station has sufficient specialised equipment to deal with a fire at such a large centre?
 - (2) When the Miranda Fire Station is taken offline, will the Minister take steps to ensure that replacement fire crews are trained in the use of such specialised equipment?
- 6648 OYSTER BAY CONTAMINATION—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
 - (1) What is the extent of the contamination of soil and groundwater, in terms of area, caused by the operation of the Shell Service Station in Carvers Road, Oyster Bay?
 - (2) Why has it taken four years for Shell to begin the clean-up of such contamination, which includes

- known carcinogens?
- (3) What oversight has the Environment Protection Agency undertaken of the voluntary clean-up of the site and surrounding area by Shell?
- (4) Will the Minister commission and make publicly available a full report of the contamination and clean-up by Shell?
- 6649 RAIL TIMETABLE REVIEW—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) Will the Minister undertake a full review of the Sydney rail timetable before 28 March 2015?
 - (a) If so, will the Minister consider restoring all morning peak hour train services cut from Jannali and Como Station by the 20 October 2013 timetable?
 - (b) If so, will the Minister restore direct morning peak hour services from the Shire stopping at Kogarah Station between 7:30am and 9:50am?
- 6650 COAL SEAM GAS EXPLORATION—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—
 - (1) Can the Minister assure the people of the Sutherland Shire that there will be no coal seam gas exploration or mining in the catchment area of the Woronora Dam?
 - (2) How many applications have been made and/or approved for coal seam gas exploration or mining in the Woronora catchment area?
- 6651 REZONING OF UNIVERSITY ROAD, MIRANDA—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
 - (1) Is the Minister aware of the proposal by Sutherland Shire Council to rezone University Road, Miranda, from 1 and 2 storey dwellings to 8 storey flats as part of its 2013 Local Environment Plan?
 - (2) Will the Minister consult the Miranda Public School community regarding the negative impacts that such a proposal will have on the special needs children of Miranda Public School, and their programs and therapy?
 - (3) Will the Minister seek a report on the impacts of the proposal as referred to in (2) and consider such a report with a view to retaining the present zoning of University Road, Miranda?
- 6652 ADAMSTOWN LEVEL RAIL CROSSING—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) What efforts have been made to reduce waiting times at the Adamstown level rail crossing over the past 4 years?
 - (2) What is the current average wait time for traffic when a commuter train passes?
 - (3) What is the current average wait time for traffic when a freight train passes?
 - (4) What plans does the Government have to fix this congestion point?
- MANUFACTURING JOBS—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
 - (1) Was the impact on local jobs considered when assessing tenders for Government contracts to build train, bus or ferry fleets?
 - (2) What predictions of job losses have been made by the Department?
 - (3) What support services will be provided to any manufacturing worker who loses their job due to tenders going interstate or offshore?
- 6654 HEXHAM-FASSIFERN FREIGHT BYPASS—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, Minister for the North Coast, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
 - (1) What effect has QR National's construction of the Hexham rail hub had on the future construction of a Hexham to Fassifern freight bypass?
 - (a) Who was consulted as part of this construction?
 - (2) What plans does the Government currently have to progress the construction of a Hexham-Fassifern freight bypass?
- 6655 HUNTER SPORTS HIGH SCHOOL—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) What was the original budget figure announced for the upgrading of Hunter Sports High School in June 2014?

- (2) What is the current financial commitment from the Government to the upgrade?
- (3) What planning has been undertaken and who is being consulted on the upgrade of Hunter Sports High School?
- (4) What parts of Hunter Sports High School will be upgraded?
- (5) When will construction commence?
- (6) When will construction of the upgrade be completed?
- 6656 VIOLENCE IN SCHOOLS—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) How many incidents of violence and drug use was there in schools in the Charlestown electorate in each year from 2011 to 2014?
 - (a) What was the nature of these incidents?
 - (2) How many counsellors are currently employed in schools in the Charlestown electorate?
 - (3) How many counsellors were employed in schools in the Charlestown electorate in 2011?
 - (4) What arrangements are in place to ensure that students attending schools in the Charlestown electorate can attend appointments with a school counsellor in a confidential manner, without other students knowing about the appointment?
 - (5) What support is available for teachers and support staff in schools in the Charlestown electorate to deal with incidents of violence, drug use and bullying?
 - (6) Has the nature of the support available to teachers and support staff to deal with incidents of violence, drug use and bullying in schools in the Charlestown electorate changed over the last four years?
- 6657 FIRE STATION CLOSURES—Ms Jodie Harrison to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
 - (1) How many staff are currently employed in fire stations across the Charlestown electorate?
 - (2) On how many occasions have stations had to be temporarily closed due to lack of staff and/or funding in the past four years?
 - (3) Was the community notified when these fire stations were closed?
 - (4) What arrangements have been made to prevent such closures in the future?
- 6658 ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE UNDER 65 WITH A DISABILITY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - (1) Following the introduction of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS), what services will be available to people under 65 who are not classified as having a disability under the Act but who are unable to look after themselves after being discharged from hospital?
 - (2) What services will be available to provide assistance to these people with showering, house cleaning and transportation to and from appointments?
- 6659 AMBULANCE STATION STAFFING SHORTAGES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - (1) Will the Government employ additional paramedics at Belmont, Cessnock, Nelson Bay and Birmingham Gardens Ambulance Stations to address the shortfall in staffing levels?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- 6660 SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH FUNDING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
 - What steps is the Deputy Premier taking to ensure that there is adequate funding for scientific research in New South Wales?
- THE COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION IN NEW SOUTH WALES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services, Minister for Tourism and Major Events, Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
 - (1) Can the Deputy Premier outline the Government's commitment to science research in New South Wales?
 - (2) What is the Deputy Premier's vision for the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) in New South Wales?
 - (3) How does the Government intend to support the CSIRO in relation to the organisation's contribution

to New South Wales?

6662 NEW INNER CITY HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

When will the Government respond to calls arising from community consultation to establish a new high school in the inner city of Sydney?

- 6663 REGIONAL CONSERVATORIUMS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) What are the reasons for the delay in regional conservatoriums receiving funding that was due in early November 2014?
 - (a) Are directors being forced to go into overdraft to pay their staff as a result of this delay?
 - (b) Could this delay result in some conservatoriums potentially facing insolvency?
 - (2) What action is the Minister taking to ensure funding is being expedited?
 - (3) Can the minister provide assurances that processes will be in place to ensure that this situation will not occur again?
- 6664 SCHOOL FUNDING IN KEIRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

How much additional funding from the Gonski funding agreement will be allocated to each individual high school and primary school in the Keira electorate in 2015?

- 6665 XSEL VIRTUAL SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
 - (1) How many students attended the Xsel Virtual Selective High School in 2014?
 - (2) How much funding did the Government allocate to the Xsel Virtual Selective High School in 2014?
 - (3) How many students will attend the Xsel Virtual Selective High School in 2015?
 - (4) How much funding has been allocated by the Government to the Xsel Virtual Selective High School for 2015?
 - (a) If the amount of funding has decreased from 2014 levels, what are the reasons for this?
- 6666 CANCER COUNCIL—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - (1) Has the Government been advised that the Cancer Council will be running a campaign in the lead up to the 2015 State Election?
 - (2) Will this campaign focus on many issues, such as tobacco advertising, Aboriginal cancer services, the impact of co-payments on chemotherapy treatment palliative care services and other cancer related issues?
 - (3) What is the Government's reaction to this campaign?
 - (4) Will the Government be holding discussions with the Cancer Council regarding this campaign?
- 6667 HEALTH LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2014—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
 - (1) When was the decision made to not proceed with the Health Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 which was introduced in the Legislative Assembly on 10 September 2014?
 - (2) Why was the Health Legislation Amendment Bill 2014 not proceeded with and, if elected, does the Minister plan to re-introduce this Bill in the next parliamentary term?
- 6668 CONSTRUCTION AND CEREMONY AT NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What is the Minister's response to community concerns about whether you will be personally attending the commencement of construction work and related ceremonies by Healthscope at the Northern Beaches Hospital after 1 April 2015?

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