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- 2617 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Treasurer—
- (1) What is the description of all categories of Federal Government payments to the State Government?
 - (2) Which of the categories in (1) above are considered as income when determining the State Budget?
 - (3) Which of the categories in (1) above are not considered as income when determining the State Budget?
- 2618 FORMER BALMAIN LEAGUES CLUB SITE—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Has the Department of Planning or the Planning Assessment Commission directed Rozelle Village to reduce the size or scope of their current proposal for the former Balmain Leagues Club site?
 - (2) (a) Has the Premier ever had any discussions with any representative, employee or advocate for Rozelle Village or Balmain Leagues Club about the current proposal for the redevelopment of the former Balmain Leagues Club site?
(b) When and where did these discussions take place?

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- (3) What representations have been made by representatives, employees or advocates of Rozelle Village or Balmain Leagues Club to the Premier or the Government since the current proposal for the redevelopment of the former Balmain Leagues Club site was submitted?
- (4) Has the Premier ever discussed personally with Mr Ben Elias current or former proposals for the redevelopment of the former Balmain Leagues Club site?
- (5) Has Mr Elias or any other representative or advocate of Rozelle Village or Balmain Leagues Club ever lobbied the Premier or his office seeking to prevent the Government from returning control over the former Balmain Leagues Club site to the Joint Regional Planning Panel or Leichhardt Council?
- 2619 NSW INSTITUTE OF SPORT SAILING PROGRAM—FUNDING—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- In light of Australia's incredible success in Olympic sailing, will the Minister retain the current funding for the NSW Institute of Sport sailing program next year?
- 2620 TEMPE RAILWAY STATION—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Are any plans being considered by the Government on the future of Tempe Railway Station?
- (2) Has the Minister received, or is she aware of, a petition being compiled by local commuters at Tempe Railway Station, objecting to the closure of this railway Station?
- 2621 CANTERBURY CHILD AND FAMILY INTERAGENCY—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- (1) Can the Minister confirm the withdrawal of \$41,892 per annum in funding from the Canterbury Child and Family Interagency?
- (2) As the Canterbury Local Government Area is the most disadvantaged in the Metro Central region and this funding is essential for the provision of services to families and children by the Interagency, when will the funding be reinstated?
- 2622 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PROPERTY—LEAK REPAIR—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- What is the maximum time a tenant needs to wait to repair a leak in a Department of Housing property?
- 2623 IMMIGRATION SETTLEMENT PLANNING COMMITTEE—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- In reference to the NSW Auditor-General's Report "Settling humanitarian entrants in New South Wales: Services to permanent residents who come to New South Wales through the humanitarian migration stream":
- (1) When will the review of the NSW Government Immigration Settlement Planning Committee and its Terms of Reference be completed?
- (2) Who are the current members of the committee?
- (3) Are there plans to change the membership of the committee?
- (4) Which non-government organisations involved in providing settlement services will be consulted?
- (5) When will these organisations be consulted?
- (6) Has the Community Relations Commission formally requested the Commonwealth to provide regular data on humanitarian entrants including information about planned release of asylum seekers from detention?
- (7) What systems will be in place to ensure that any regular information from the Commonwealth will be provided to non-government settlement service providers in a timely fashion?
- 2624 MOBILITY PARKING SCHEME—PENALTY NOTICES ISSUED—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- In reference to the penalty notices for offences related to the Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS):
- (1) Of the 1,539 penalty notices issued in 2011 for offences related to the misuse of disabled parking permits, what is the breakdown of how many penalty notices were issued for which specific offence?
- (2) Of the 1,539 penalty notices issued in 2011 for offences related to the misuse of disabled parking permits, how many of these were for repeat offenders?
- (3) Does the 1,539 penalty notices issued in 2011 for offences related to the misuse of disabled parking permits include penalty notices issued for the offence of parking in disabled parking spot while not carrying a MPS permit?
- (4) How many penalty notices were issued in 2010 for offences related to the misuse of disabled parking

- permits?
- (5) How many penalty notices were issued in 2009 for offences related to the misuse of disabled parking permits?
- 2625 SURPLUS LAND ADJOINING M4 VIADUCT—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- In relation to remedial works for the surplus land adjoining the M4 viaduct:
- (1) Has the independent environmental assessment of the land been made available to the Harris Park Community Centre?
 - (2) Has the independent environmental assessment of the land been made available to Parramatta Council?
 - (3) What is the estimated cost of the remediation works?
 - (4) When is the remediation works due to start?
- 2626 MOTOR REGISTRIES—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- In relation to motor registries in NSW:
- (1) What is the current average waiting time for customers who visit motor registries in NSW?
 - (2) How many people visited a motor registry in NSW during 2011-12?
 - (3) How many people visited a motor registry in NSW during 2010-11?
 - (4) How many motor registries currently operate in NSW?
 - (5) What type of services do people visiting motor registries access at the motor registry?
 - (6) What is the age profile and demographics of customers who visit motor registries?
 - (7) How many staff currently work in NSW motor registries, as at August 2012?
- 2627 MARITIME OFFICES—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- In relation to Maritime offices in NSW:
- (1) How many Maritime offices currently operate in NSW?
 - (2) Are any of the Maritime offices currently co-located with another NSW Government agency?
 - (3) How many staff currently work in a Maritime office, as at August 2012?
 - (4) How many people visited a Maritime office in 2012-11?
 - (5) How many people visited a Maritime office in 2011-12?
 - (6) What is the current waiting time for people visiting a Maritime office?
- 2628 BETTER BOATING PROGRAM—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- In relation to the Better Boating Program (BBP):
- (1) What is the funding allocation for the BBP in 2012-13?
 - (2) What was the funding allocation for the BBP in 2011-12?
 - (3) What was the funding allocation for the BBP in 2010-11?
- 2629 PHYSICAL ACTIVITY IN PRIMARY SCHOOLS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) What is the Minister doing to address the Auditor-General's report indicating that 30% of Government primary schools don't provide the mandatory two hours of planned physical activity each week?
 - (2) What steps is the Minister undertaking to alleviate the student obesity epidemic and ensuring participation in physical activity at school?
- 2630 TAFE HUNTER AND GLENDALE INSTITUTE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) What are the names of the courses that the Government has cut at the TAFE Hunter and Glendale institute?
 - (2) Will the Minister guarantee restoration of funds for TAFE Hunter and Glendale Institutes so that teacher jobs won't be cut, support services won't disappear and student courses and ultimately qualifications for the work force won't be lost?

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- 2631 ELECTIVE SURGERY WAITING TIMES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- Noting the report by the Centre for Independent Studies that NSW elective surgery waiting times have slipped by 70 per cent, what is the Minister for Health doing to reverse this trend?
- 2632 CRIME PREVENTION—EXTRA RESOURCES AND STAFF—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) With more than 90 life threatening armed robberies reported in the Hunter this year, will the Minister be providing extra resources and staff to prevent further life threatening crimes?
 - (2) If so, how much and when?
- 2633 ENERGY PRICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- (1) How much have energy prices risen since January 2011?
 - (2) What is the justification for these on-going increases, excluding carbon pricing?
- 2634 ORTHOPAEDIC SPECIALISTS WAITING TIMES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How many patients are waiting for appointments to see orthopaedic specialists at the John Hunter Hospital as at 31 July 2012?
 - (2) Of those patients, what percentage of patients are being seen in the allocated triage times?
 - (3) How many patients have waited longer than 365 days?
- 2635 DEMOUNTABLE BUILDINGS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many demountable buildings are there in public schools in the electorate of Wallsend?
 - (2) Why has the Government not fulfilled its promise to replace over 5,000 school demountables throughout NSW?
- 2636 PLASTIC SURGERY FOR TRAUMA OR EMERGENCY PATIENTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Given the John Hunter Hospital has the busiest trauma department in NSW, why is there no access to after-hours plastic surgery for trauma or emergency patients in Newcastle?
 - (2) Will the Minister provide funding for such services so that patients suffering serious trauma are not transferred out of the region?
- 2637 NATIONAL ENERGY CUSTOMER FRAMEWORK—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- (1) Why has the Government refused to sign up to the national energy customer framework?
 - (2) Will the Government implement a similar price comparison website that will allow consumers the ability to compare electricity deals?
- 2638 PICTON COURT HOUSE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) What is the nature of the repair work carried out at Picton Court House from 2 July to 6 July?
 - (2) What was the cause of the need for the repair work referred to in (1) above?
- 2639 MENTAL HEALTH (FORENSIC PROVISION) ACT 1990—SECTION 32—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- What was the result of the outcome of the joint project between Legal Aid NSW and the Intellectual Disability Rights Service to foster greater use of s. 32 of the Mental Health (Forensic Provision) Act 1990?
- 2640 SHARING OF INFORMATION—WORKING GROUP—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- What was the result of the working group established to look at barriers in the justice system to the sharing of information?
- 2641 VICTIMS COMPENSATION SCHEME—REVIEW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- When will the results of the review of the Victims Compensation Scheme be released?
- 2642 LIVERPOOL RAILWAY STATION EMBANKMENT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) What was the cause of the need for repairs to the embankment at the rear of Liverpool Railway Station on 30 June, 1, 7 and 8 July 2012?
 - (2) When was the damage referred to in (1) above caused?
 - (3) Have any further repairs been proposed?
 - (4) Were any repairs apart from those carried out on the dates referred to in (1) above also carried out to this embankment?
 - (5) What was the cost of the repairs referred to in (1) above?
- 2643 INSPECTOR OF CUSTODIAL SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- As the creation of Inspector of Custodial Services is, according to the Hamburger Review to be "budget neutral", will consideration be given to the inspector employing staff other than Corrective Services staff?
- 2644 SAVINGS IDENTIFIED IN HAMBURGER REVIEW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Have the savings identified in the Hamburger Review to be achieved within 2 to 6 months in fact been realised?
 - (2) If not, why not?
- 2645 RESTRICTION TO COMPUTER RESOURCES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
- (1) Is forensic patient Saeed Dezfouli being prevented from pursuing tertiary studies by being restricted in his access to computer resources?
 - (2) If so:
 - (a) What is the basis for this decision?
 - (b) Is this more restrictive than conditions applicable to Corrective Services inmates?
- 2646 INSULIN INFUSION PUMPS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regards to the provision of insulin infusion pumps for children with diabetes:
- (1) How many children with diabetes are on the books of New South Wales paediatric specialist diabetes outpatient clinics?
 - (2) How many of these children in the state are using these pumps?
 - (3) Which units in the state prescribe and monitor these pumps?
 - (4) What is the average cost?
 - (5) Who pays for these pumps and the ongoing education?
 - (6) What provisions are there for children whose parents do not have the ability to pay for one of these pumps?
- 2647 OBESITY AND METABOLISM CLINIC—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regards to the Obesity and Metabolism Clinic at Camden Hospital:
- (1) What is the total staffing (FTE) of this clinic?
 - (2) What are the referral criteria?
 - (3) How long is the current waiting time for new referrals to this clinic until the next available appointment?
 - (4) How much funding was allocated for this clinic in the year 2011-12?
 - (5) Is there any future threat to funding or staffing of this clinic?
 - (6) Will the Minister continue to resource this clinic at the same or a higher level than currently available?
- 2648 ADDITIONAL NURSES APPOINTED—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regards to the Minister's claim that "400 additional nurses have been appointed" on the Central Coast (Hansard 16 August 2012):

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- (1) As of 1 April 2011, how many full-time equivalent nurses were employed in the Central Coast local health district?
- (2) As of 16 August 2012, how many full-time equivalent nurses were employed in the Central Coast local health district?
- (3) (a) As of 1 April 2011, how many beds were available in the Central Coast local health district?
(b) In which hospitals?
- (4) (a) As of 16 August 2012, how many beds were available in the Central Coast local health district?
(b) In which hospitals?
- 2649 EDMUND BLACKET CAR PARK—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Now that the Edmund Blacket Car Park has been closed, how long does it take for staff to walk to the proposed parking alternatives in the William Inglis stables?
- (2) Has extra security staff been rostered to escort staff if needed?
- (3) Have staff rosters, duties, or numbers been modified to allow for any extra time this walk to the cars would take?
- (4) When will the Edmund Blacket Car Park re-open?
- 2650 OPERATING THEATRES—RANDWICK HOSPITALS CAMPUS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) (a) Has the management of South Eastern Sydney LHD instructed that there will be a single management of operating theatres on the Randwick hospitals campus (currently separately managed as the Prince of Wales and Royal Women's operating theatres)?
(b) If yes, why has this instruction been issued?
- (2) (a) Were staff consulted prior to a decision being made?
(b) If yes, what were/are their views?
- (3) Are there any cost savings envisaged?
- (4) Will there be any job losses as a result of this proposed restructure?
- (5) Will patient safety be guaranteed?
- (6) Will theatre access be unchanged?
- 2651 ADDITIONAL NURSES EMPLOYED—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- In relation the Minister's statement that the NSW Government has "increased the number of nurses it employs by more than 2,900" since it came to office (Hansard 15 August 2012):
- (1) How many of these new additional nurses are employed at:
- (a) Central Coast Local Health District (LHD);
 - (b) Northern Sydney LHD;
 - (c) Illawarra Shoalhaven LHD;
 - (d) Nepean Blue Mountains LHD;
 - (e) South Eastern Sydney LHD;
 - (f) South Western Sydney LHD;
 - (g) Sydney LHD;
 - (h) Western Sydney LHD;
 - (i) Murrumbidgee LHD;
 - (j) Southern NSW LHD;
 - (k) Far West LHD;
 - (l) Western NSW LHD;
 - (m) Hunter New England LHD;
 - (n) Mid North Coast LHD;
 - (o) Northern NSW LHD?
- (2) How many FTE nurses were employed by NSW Health on:
- (a) 1 April 2011;
 - (b) 1 August 2012?
- 2652 CLINICAL NURSE EDUCATORS AND CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALISTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regards to the extra 40 clinical nurse educators and clinical nurse specialists employed by the NSW Government (Hansard 16 August 2012):

- (1) In which hospitals were these nurses employed?
- (2) How many in each Hospital?
- (3) How many Clinical Nurse Educators are employed by NSW Health:
 - (a) in total;
 - (b) in each local health district?
- (4) How many Clinical Nurse Specialists are employed by NSW Health:
 - (a) in total;
 - (b) in each local health district?

2653 PRINCES HIGHWAY BULLI—CLEARWAYS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

In relation to the proposed changes to "Clearways" on the Princes Highway at Bulli:

- (1) What traffic data has been used to warrant an examination of changes to the current arrangements?
- (2) What is your agency's preferred solution?
- (3) When will local business owners and residents be informed about these proposed changes?
- (4) What is the timeline for any implementation of these changes?

2654 PRINCES HIGHWAY FIGTREE—UPGRADE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

In relation to the upgrade of the Princes Highway Figtree:

- (1) (a) Will the entire project be completed by the end of 2012?
 - (b) If not, why and when will the project be completed?
- (2) Is the project still within the original budget?
- (3) What is the estimated final cost of this upgrade?

2655 ABILITY LINKS TENDER—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) With regards to the failure of the Ability Links tender process, how many applications were there?
- (2) Why were no providers successful in meeting the tender?
- (3) In terms of tender requirements, how was it envisaged that Ability Links employers should separate their delivery of Ability Links coordinators while still drawing on their service provider to support the Ability Links program?
- (4) When was the decision made to set up an Ability Links taskforce?
- (5) Was the Ability Links taskforce set up in direct response to the failure of the Ability Links tender?
- (6) Given the failure of the tender process, when will it be envisaged that Ability Links coordinators will be announced?
- (7) When is it envisaged that Ability Links coordinators be fully operational?
- (8) Does the setup of the taskforce and failure of the tender process indicate a flawed conceptualisation and lack of clarity within the tender process for the Ability Links program?
- (9) What evaluation has taken place with regard to local area coordinators?
- (10) How will Ability Links differ from the Local Area Coordinator program?
- (11) (a) Will Ability Links taskforce members be paid for their taskforce work?
 - (b) If so, how much?