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- 0598 EASY ACCESS FACILITIES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Is there a priority list for the construction of Easy Access facilities for railway stations in New South Wales?
 - (2) If so, where does the Rooty Hill Railway Station stand on this list?
- 0599 VIOLENCE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ON BUSES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Is the Minister aware of the increased incidents of violence and antisocial behaviour on buses operating in the Hunter?
 - (2) What measures is the Government taking to address the increased incidents of violence and antisocial behaviour on buses operating throughout the Hunter?
- 0600 BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL PARKING FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- When does the Government plan to improve parking facilities at Bankstown Hospital?
- 0601 RIFLE SHOOTING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- Regarding the proposal to introduce rifle shooting into NSW public schools:
- (1) What action will the Minister take to prevent this proposal from negatively impacting communities such as Bankstown?
 - (2) What factors will the Government consider when determining whether such classes are appropriate for suburban schools?
- 0602 ENERGY ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ASSISTANCE VOUCHERS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- Given that the two providers of Energy Accounts Payable Assistance (EAPA) vouchers had run out of vouchers last week, what action will you take to assist residents in Bankstown who are struggling with rising electricity prices?
- 0603 PANANIA STATION—INSTALLATION OF LIFTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- What is the current status of plans to install lifts at Panania Station?
- 0604 STACEY STREET TRAFFIC FLOW—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- With regards to the Stacey Street drain and given advice that "there are a number of activities that could be undertaken to improve the traffic flow" (Question 0276):
- (1) What models for improving the traffic flow on Stacey Street are presently being considered by the RTA?
 - (2) When can the people of Bankstown expect to see real investment in this important local issue?
- 0605 RECREATION, SPORTS AND AQUATICS CLUB—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- Will the Government consider providing additional funding to the Recreation, Sports and Aquatics Club, a group which provide sporting and social opportunities for people with physical, intellectual or sensory disabilities?
- 0606 RIFLE SHOOTING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- Regarding the proposal to introduce rifle shooting into NSW public schools:
- (1) What action will the Minister take to prevent this proposal from negatively impacting communities such as Bankstown?
 - (2) What factors will the Government consider when determining whether such classes are appropriate for suburban schools?
- 0607 OFFICERS WORKING IN SPECIALIST CRIME SQUADS—Ms Tania Mihailuk 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—

Since 1 January 2011:

- (1) How many police officers from the Bankstown Local Area Command worked for part or all of the time in Specialist Crime Squads?
- (2) Will the Government commit to ensure that officers who are required to work outside the Local Area Command are replaced by an officers of equal rank and experience for the duration of their work?

0608 AUDIT OF BANKSTOWN CITY COUNCIL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

In reference to the Government's commitment to "commence a council-by-council audit of the local infrastructure backlog", when will the audit of Bankstown City Council commence?

0609 GRAFFITI REMOVAL PROGRAMS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

- (1) Given the Government's recent actions to prevent and remove graffiti, does the Government plan to provide funds to Bankstown Council to continue its successful graffiti removal programs?
- (2) If not, why not?

0610 BANKSTOWN OFFICE OF HOUSING NSW—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

- (1) How many constituents, presently under the responsibility of the Bankstown office of Housing NSW live in:
 - (a) temporary accommodation paid for or subsidised by Housing NSW;
 - (b) permanent accommodation paid for or subsidised by Housing NSW?
- (2) How many current clients of this office presently receive no assistance at all?

0611 INSULATION FOR SOCIAL HOUSING TENANTS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Given the rising cost of energy, Housing NSW's Environmental Sustainability policy and the environmental, health and financial benefits of home insulation:

- (1) How many public housing dwellings do not currently have any insulation?
- (2) What plans does Housing NSW have to retrofit unit blocks with wall and floor insulation to reduce heat loss and improve acoustic protections?
- (3) Since this policy was introduced, what action has Housing NSW taken to insulate the following in existing Housing NSW dwellings:
 - (a) ceilings;
 - (b) walls;
 - (c) floors?
- (4) What assessment has been made of progress in installing insulation in Housing NSW homes in inner Sydney, and what has been achieved to date?
- (5) How can individual Housing NSW tenants arrange to have home insulation installed to help them reduce energy costs?
- (6) What progress has Housing NSW made towards its target of 70 per cent of residential dwellings with "comfortable thermal performance" levels by 2014?
- (7) When does the Government expect that all Housing NSW homes will be retrofitted with insulation?

0612 HOUSING NSW WATER EFFICIENCY—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Given that Housing NSW charges tenants for water use irrespective of whether there is individual metering, and noting Housing NSW's environmental sustainability policy:

- (1) What action has Housing NSW taken to install water-saving devices in residential dwellings since 2008 when the policy commenced?
- (2) What education and information is available to tenants to encourage them to reduce water consumption and charges?
- (3) What assessment has been made of progress on reducing social housing residents' water use by 20 per cent by 2014, and what reductions have been identified?
- (4) How many Housing NSW homes in inner Sydney have been retrofitted with water-saving devices including reduce-flow showerheads, tap washers, and dual-flush toilet cisterns?
- (5) How many more inner Sydney homes need to be retrofitted to meet Housing NSW 2014

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- environmental sustainability targets?
- (6) What plans does Housing NSW have to install rainwater collection tanks on its inner Sydney buildings for non-drinking purposes?
- (7) What plans does Housing NSW have to install individual water meters on all units so that tenants only pay for their individual water use, given private landlords are required to do so?
- (8) What plans does Housing NSW have to install water-saving devices in order to reduce water use and costs for social housing tenants?
- 0613 GENERAL ASSISTANT TRAINING FUND—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
When will the Government implement its commitment to create a \$2.4 million General Assistant training fund to fund training and development costs for General Assistants?
- 0614 VACANT GENERAL ASSISTANT POSITIONS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many schools have chosen to not fill vacant General Assistant positions and instead use the equivalent funding to undertake maintenance through other means?
- (2) What are the names of these schools?
- 0615 SCHOOL FACILITIES STANDARDS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) What is the timeframe for the review of NSW School Facilities Standards?
- (2) Who will be consulted as part of the review?
- (3) When and how will this consultation take place?
- 0616 AGE DISCRIMINATION IN THE WORKPLACE—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- (1) Will the Minister specify the Government's policy on age discrimination in the workplace?
- (2) Is the Minister aware of any instances of age discrimination regarding appointments to Government boards?
- 0617 DISTRICT COURT MATTERS—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
Will the Minister provide details of all District Court matters from Inverell, Tenterfield, Gwydir and Glen Innes that were heard in a District Court outside the region, due to the lack of District Court sittings in Inverell?