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- 1478 SECURITY AUDIT OF DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING UNITS IN WILLMOT—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1479 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING MAINTENANCE LINE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
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- 1482 HUNTER MEDICAL ONCOLOGY SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1483 NATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR HANDLING OF DNA SAMPLES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1484 FREE SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE IN LIVERPOOL CBD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport—
- *1485 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR WORK ON NELSON PARADE PROPERTIES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- (1) Has a development application been lodged for remedial work on properties in Nelson Parade, Hunters Hill?
 - (2) If so, when was it lodged?
 - (3) If so, will public comment be sought on the application?
 - (4) If so, when will the application be determined?
- Answer—
- (1) and (2) A Major Project Application was lodged for the proposal in November 2007 and the Department issued Director-General's Requirements to the Proponent. The Director-General's Requirements outline the issues the Proponent is required to address in its Environmental Assessment of the proposal.
- In February 2011, the Director-General's Requirements were updated at the request of the Proponent in order to broaden the area that the assessment of the proposal applies to.
- However at this stage, an Environmental Assessment for the proposal has not been lodged and therefore has not been publicly exhibited.
- (3) When the Environmental Assessment is lodged and is deemed adequate for public exhibition, public comment will be sought on the proposal.
- (4) The proposal will be dealt with as expediently as possible whilst ensuring that all issues are properly and fully addressed.
- 1486 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR WORK ON NELSON PARADE PROPERTIES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 1487 ISRAELI TRAINING AND ADVICE FOR NSW POLICE—Mr Paul Lynch 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—
- 1488 DATES OF PRISON ESCAPES TO 30 JUNE 2011—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1489 FUNDING FOR SOUTH WESTERN REGIONAL TENANTS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

- 1490 LIVERPOOL SHUTTLE BUS STOPS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1491 COMMUNITY GROUPS AND STAKEHOLDERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1492 TRANSIT OFFICERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1493 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- *1494 COMPANION ANIMAL TASKFORCE—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—
- (1) How many times has the Companion Animal Taskforce met?
 - (2) Were all members present, and if not, which were not?
 - (3) Were minutes take at meetings?
 - (4) If not, why not?
 - (5) Will the Taskforce conduct any consultation to develop its promised Discussion Paper?
 - (6) If so, who with?
 - (7) When is a Discussion Paper by the Taskforce expected to be released?
 - (8) Which animal welfare/ protection/ rights groups and other organisations will the Taskforce send the Discussion Paper to and specifically ask for a submission?
 - (9) How will the Discussion Paper be publicised to ensure a wide range of views and experiences are involved in the process to develop recommendations?
 - (10) Will there be public hearings?
 - (11) Will submissions be publically available?
 - (12) Will the taskforce provide a response to submissions?
- Answer—
- I provide the following details in response to your questions:
- (1) The Taskforce has met on four occasions since August 2011.
 - (2) All members have been present at the meetings, with the exception of the Australian Institute of Local Government Rangers whose representative was unable to attend two meetings, and the Pet Industry Association of Australia whose representative was unable to attend one meeting.
 - (3) Yes.
 - (4) See answer to 3.
 - (5) Consultation on the Taskforce's areas of inquiry will be conducted as part of the forthcoming discussion paper submission process.
 - (6) The general public will be consulted through the submission process.
 - (7) The discussion paper is expected to be released in the first half of 2012.
 - (8) All interested animal welfare/protection/rights groups are encouraged to make a submission when the discussion paper is released.
 - (9) Notices advising of the release of the discussion paper will be placed in metropolitan newspapers and the Government Gazette. Minister Hodgkinson and I will also issue a media release advising of the discussion paper's release and promote the discussion paper at relevant events. The Taskforce Chair, Mr Andrew Cornwell MP has also indicated that he will publicise the discussion paper at various targeted events. The discussion paper will be available on the Division of Local Government website.
 - (10) No.
 - (11) Submissions may be made publicly available, unless individuals specifically indicate that they do not want their submission made public.
 - (12) No. Submissions will be considered by the Taskforce in preparing its final report to Government.
- 1495 PYRMONT AND ULTIMO ROAD SAFETY AND TRAFFIC—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1496 VOLUNTEER OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1497 INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION RECOMMENDATIONS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

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- 1498 EASTERN SUBURBS RAIL NOISE ABATEMENT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1499 HANDYMAN SERVICE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1500 REGIONAL RELOCATION GRANT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1501 DATA CENTRE IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1502 WOONONA HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE LABORATORY UPGRADES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1503 WOONONA EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDING UPGRADES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1504 ALLOCATION OF TEACHERS IN ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1505 ALLOCATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS UPGRADE FUND IN KEIRA ELECTORATE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1506 MOUNT OUSLEY ROAD REST STOP UPGRADE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1507 PRINCES HIGHWAY AND BELLEVUE ROAD UPGRADE AT FIGTREE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1508 BULLI PCYC IMPROVEMENTS—Mr Ryan Park 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—
- 1509 MAINTENANCE OF PROPERTIES IN KEIRA ELECTORATE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1510 SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITY GRANT SCHEME IN ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 1511 RESOURCES FOR REGIONS PROGRAM IN ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

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- 1512 GREY NURSE SHARK PROTECTION REVIEWS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1513 INCREASED COST OF RAIL SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1514 POLICE ACTION IN WILLMOT DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING UNITS—Mr Richard Amery 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—
- 1515 CARDIFF RAIL LIFTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1516 CLEANING TIMES ON TRAINS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1517 NEWCASTLE INNER CITY BYPASS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1518 FIXED SPEED CAMERA AT JESMOND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

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- 1519 ROADSIDE LITTER IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1520 NURSE POSITIONS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1521 ASSISTED SCHOOL TRAVEL PROGRAM IN CABRAMATTA—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1522 CARERS IN THE CABRAMATTA ELECTORATE—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 1523 CABRAMATTA FIRE STATION—Mr Nick Lalich 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—
- 1524 CANCER SERVICES IN THE HUNTER—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1525 BUDGET POSITION OF NSW HEALTH—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1526 HOSPITAL BEDS IN THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL WESTMEAD—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1527 GLEN INNES RESEARCH AND ADVISORY STATION—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1528 HOSPITAL BEDS AT CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1529 CHILD DEATHS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1530 HOSPITAL BEDS IN LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1531 REDFERN RAILWAY STATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1532 WILD GOAT RACES—Ms Clover Moore 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—
- 1533 POLICE STATION PHONE SYSTEM AT WOLLONGONG—Mr Ryan Park 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—
- 1534 MAGISTRATES EARLY REFERRAL INTO TREATMENT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1535 INTERSECTION AT F6 AND OLD MOUNT OUSLEY ROAD—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1536 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN THORNE STREET TORONTO—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1537 PERMANENT TEACHER ALLOCATION IN SCHOOLS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1538 DEMOUNTABLE BUILDINGS ON SCHOOL SITES—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1539 DEMOUNTABLE SCHOOL BUILDINGS OVER 5 YEARS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 1540 TOTAL AMOUNT OF DEMOUNTABLE BUILDINGS IN NSW SCHOOLS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1541 WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT LEVY—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

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- 1542 MOTORWAY TRAFFIC LEVELS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1543 HOSPITALITY COURSES AT CESSNOCK TAFE AND KURRI KURRI TAFE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1544 MAITLAND HOSPITAL AND SECURITY STAFFING—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1545 GREYHOUND RACING—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 1546 PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT BREACHES IN PRISONS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1547 HUNTER TAFE ELECTROTECHNOLOGY ELECTRICIAN COURSE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1548 TRANSPORT FOR SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS IN CESSNOCK—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1549 LOCAL ART AND CULTURAL EVENT SPONSORSHIP—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 1550 SWEETWATER ACTION GROUP CAMPAIGN—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1551 HYDRO ALUMINIUM—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 1552 CAMPSIE FIRE STATION—Ms Linda Burney 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—
- 1553 NOISE BARRIER IN RIVERWOOD—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1554 FREIGHT TRAIN NOISE IN BELMORE—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1555 ACCIDENT SITE ON PACIFIC HIGHWAY AT URUNGA—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1556 NATURAL DISASTER RELIEF PROGRAM FUNDING APPLICATION—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1557 REPORT ON SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1558 REMOVAL OF 38 SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1559 NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL PATIENT ADMISSION—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 1560 BEGA BASE HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1561 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WAITING TIMES WEBSITE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1562 MANDATORY WINDOW SAFETY DEVICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 1563 WARATAH TRAINS ON BANKSTOWN LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1564 DEMOUNTABLE REPLACEMENT FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1565 DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOMS IN BANKSTOWN ELECTORATE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1566 EASY ACCESS UPGRADE PROGRAM—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1567 CLOSURE OF PARAMATTA AND LIVERPOOL CTTT OFFICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 1568 SCHOOL ZONE FINES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1569 STRATA COMMUNITY AUSTRALIA NSW MEETINGS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 1570 STRATA TITLE ASSOCIATION NSW—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 1571 TRACING AMMUNITION SALES—Mr Greg Piper 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—
- 1572 CARERS IN THE FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 1573 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING TRANSFERS IN FAIRFIELD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1574 POLICE NUMBERS FOR FAIRFIELD LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Guy Zangari 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—
- 1575 DEMOUNTABLE SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN FAIRFIELD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1576 FAIRFIELD TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE PROJECT—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1577 ROUNDABOUT UPGRADE AT CUMBERLAND HIGHWAY AND POLDING STREET—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1578 ASSISTED SCHOOL TRAVEL PROGRAM—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 1579 HOUSING NSW WAITING TIMES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

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- 1581 COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER GROUPS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1582 TRAIN STATION STAFFING NUMBERS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1583 BURRINJUCK DAM ELECTRICITY GENERATION—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 1584 LIVERPOOL COUNCIL CHAMBERS FIRE INVESTIGATION—Mr Paul Lynch 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—
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- 1591 CONSUMER, TRADER AND TENANCY TRIBUNAL REGISTRY OFFICE—LIVERPOOL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 1592 POWER BLACKOUTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 1593 DEDICATED OFF ROAD CYCLEWAYS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1594 CAR USE ON HUNTER ROADS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1595 SPEED CAMERAS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1596 GRAFFITI IN NEWCASTLE AND LAKE MACQUARIE CITY COUNCIL AREAS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1597 NURSES IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1598 HUNTER WATER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1599 PATIENT LIAISON OFFICERS AT JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1600 AGREEMENT BETWEEN NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY AND NAVITAS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 1601 MEDIAN STRIP AND CORRIDOR MAINTENANCE IN BLACKTOWN—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1602 MANLY HOSPITAL BEDS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1603 RYDE HOSPITAL BEDS AND SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1604 HOUSING NSW MAINTENANCE CALLS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1605 CHILDCARE SERVICES IN KEIRA ELECTORATE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1606 HOSPITAL BEDS AT ST VINCENT'S HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1607 HOSPITAL BEDS IN NEPEAN HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1608 HOSPITAL BEDS FUNDING—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 1609 REPORTS BY CONSULTANTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1610 OUTSTANDING CREDITORS OF NSW HEALTH—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1611 HOUSING NSW MAINTENANCE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1612 PARTY BUSES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
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- 1624 KURRI KURRI POLICE STATION—Mr Clayton Barr 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—
- 1625 HYDRO ALUMINIUM KURRI KURRI—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 1626 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1627 CLEANING STAFFING HOURS IN NUBULKA PRIMARY SCHOOL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1628 SEAFORTH TAFE—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
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- 1630 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR WASTE CLEANUP—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1631 WASTE SEPARATION AND STORAGE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1632 REMOVAL OF WASTE FROM NELSON PARADE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1633 SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN AT PUBLIC FACILITIES—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1634 FACS NOTIFICATION OF CHILDREN WITHOUT PARENTAL SUPERVISION—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1635 JUSTICES OF THE PEACE—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1636 BANKSTOWN LOCAL AREA COMMAND—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—
- 1637 MANDATORY WINDOW SAFETY DEVICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 1638 VOLUNTEERING IN 2012—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 1639 BANKSTOWN HOSPITAL UPGRADES AND MAINTENANCE WORKS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 1641 PARRAMATTA CONSUMER TRADER AND TENANCY TRIBUNAL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 1642 SMOKING PROHIBITION IN PUBLIC PLACES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 1645 SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN AT PUBLIC FACILITIES—Mrs Barbara Perry 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—

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- 1646 MOUNT DRUITT COMMAND—AUTHORISED STRENGTH—Mr Richard Amery 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) Does the latest police strength figures show that the Mount Druitt command's actual strength is below the authorised strength for this police station?
 - (2) When will Mount Druitt command achieve its authorised police strength?
- 1647 RESURFACING OF CONCRETE ROADS—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- With regards concrete roads and surface treatments:
- (1) How much was budgeted to resurface Canterbury Road between King Georges Road and Punchbowl Road in the 2010-11 budget?
 - (2) What was the value of works undertaken to treat Canterbury Road between King Georges Road and Punchbowl Road in the 2010-11 financial year?
 - (3) What was the total value of works undertaken on this section of road since 2010?
 - (4) How many concrete roads in the Sydney metropolitan area will receive the same surface treatment as Canterbury Road in the current financial year?
 - (5) How many concrete roads in the Sydney metropolitan area will receive the same surface treatment as Canterbury Road in the next financial year?
 - (6) What is the cost differential between an asphaltic resurfacing of concrete roads and the treatment undertaken on Canterbury Road?
 - (7) Has any performance measurements been undertaken to examine noise and wet weather performance of asphalt surfaces and concrete surfaces?
- 1648 WALLSEND DEMOUNTABLE SCHOOL BUILDINGS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) Which Wallsend electorate schools use demountable buildings to teach students?
 - (2) What is the age of the demountables located in each of those schools?
 - (3) Now that the government has ended the School Demountable Replacement program are there any provisions/programs for schools in the Wallsend electorate to replace old demountables?
- 1649 STAFFING AT TRAIN STATIONS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Are there currently any plans to reduce staffing numbers for the following train stations:
 - (a) Cardiff;
 - (b) Fassifern;
 - (c) Broadmeadow;
 - (d) Waratah;
 - (e) Newcastle?
 - (2) If there are planned reductions:
 - (a) Will staff be relocated to other areas?
 - (b) How will security for passengers be assured?
 - (c) Where will any financial savings made from this plan be redirected?
- 1650 HUNTER PUBLIC TRANSPORT OUTCOMES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- What outcomes for better public transport have been delivered in the Hunter by the \$18 million spent on transport consultants?

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- 1651 REMOVAL OF SPEED CAMERAS IN HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- (1) At which locations in the Hunter have fixed speed cameras been removed?
 - (2) Have there been more accidents at these sites since the cameras were removed?
 - (3) At which locations were there more accidents?
- 1652 ASSISTED SCHOOL TRAVEL PROGRAM IN WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many school students in the Wallsend Electorate with a disability were affected by the cancellation and failure to retender the Assisted School Travel Program?
 - (2) What provisions were made to assist students affected by the disruption to the Assisted School Travel Program?
- 1653 SCHOOL CANTEEN SUPERVISORS IN WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many school canteen supervisors in the Wallsend Electorate were underpaid because of a head office mistake?
 - (2) Will the underpaid supervisors receive back pay?
- 1654 CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPPORT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- Is the Government providing financial support in the Hunter to Catholic Community Services toward helping compulsive hoarders who are at risk of homelessness?
- 1655 CENTRAL COAST EXPRESS SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- When will the express train services from Sydney to the Central Coast commence?
- 1656 GAS AND ELECTRICITY PRICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- (1) Over the next 5 years:
 - (a) will gas bills double;
 - (b) will electricity prices continue to increase above CPI increases?
 - (2) If not, how much will gas and electricity prices rise over the next five years?
- 1657 FULL TIME CUSTODY PRISONERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- How many full-time custody prisoners were in the NSW correctional system as at:
- (a) 1 December 2011;
 - (b) 1 January 2012;
 - (c) 1 February 2012;
 - (d) 1 March 2012?
- 1658 ESCAPES AND INCORRECT RELEASES FROM JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTRES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- From 12 May 2011 to date, how many:
- (a) escapes;
 - (b) incorrect releases;
- have there been from juvenile justice centres in this State?
- 1659 DETENTION IN JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTRES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- How many young people were detained in each of the juvenile justice centres in the State as at:
- (a) 1 July 2011;
 - (b) 1 January 2012;
 - (c) 1 March 2012?
- 1660 BAIL ACT REVIEW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) What is the current status of the review of the Bail Act?
 (2) When will the Attorney General release the report of the NSW Law Reform Commission into the review of the Bail Act?
- 1661 BUSINESS LINK VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCIES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- (1) How many voluntary redundancies have been offered at Business Link since 27 March 2011?
 (2) How many voluntary redundancies are proposed to be offered at Business Link?
- 1662 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO GARARD PTY LTD—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer—
- Since 27 March 2011 what financial assistance has been provided to Garard Pty Ltd operating at Warwick Farm and Liverpool?
- 1663 GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO GARARD PTY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- Since March 2011 has the Government provided any financial or industry assistance to Garard Pty Ltd operating at Liverpool and Warwick Farm?
- 1664 AUSTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL FENCING—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) Does the Minister propose to reply to the recent letter by Frances Musso and the accompanying petition requesting security fencing at Austral Public School?
 (2) (a) Does the Minister propose to provide security fencing for the school?
 (b) If not, why not?
- 1665 POLICE FORCE EQUIPMENT PURCHASES—Mr Paul Lynch 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—
- Has the NSW Police Force purchased any equipment from any Israeli state agency?
- 1666 WAGGA WAGGA HOSPITAL BEDS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- Of the 507 Hospital Beds opened between 1 July 2010 and 22 November 2011 (Written Question 1316):
- (1) How many of these beds were at Wagga Wagga Hospital?
 (2) What type of beds are they (i.e. acute/subacute/other)?
 (3) In which unit(s) are these beds located?
 (4) At what date were they first made available for patient care?
 (5) Are these beds funded by COAG or by the NSW Government?
 (6) How many beds were available at Wagga Wagga Hospital on:
 (a) 1 July 2010;
 (b) 22 November 2011;
 (c) 31 January 2012?
 (7) How many additional beds are planned to be opened at Wagga Wagga Hospital by 30 June 2012?
- 1667 SICK RELIEF AT WESTMEAD HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regards to sick relief for nursing staff at Westmead Hospital:
- (1) What was the "full establishment" (full time equivalent - FTE) of nursing staff at Westmead Hospital on 1 February 2012?
 (2) How many FTE Nursing staff were actually employed at Westmead Hospital as of 1 February 2012?
 (3) How many vacancies existed as of 1 February 2012?
 (4) For how many shifts in February 2012 was a nurse unable to work due to illness on the:
 (a) morning shift;
 (b) evening shift;
 (c) night shift?
 (5) For how many shifts was this sick leave:
 (a) fully backfilled (i.e. replacement of the whole shift);
 (b) partially backfilled (replacement of some of the shift);
 (c) not backfilled?

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(6) How many hours of overtime were worked by nursing staff at Westmead Hospital in February 2012?

1668 NOISE ABATEMENT IN CASULA—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport—

With regards to the areas of Casula that are noise affected by the Main South Line:

- (1) Where are the results of the noise surveys conducted in 2010 publicly available?
- (2) What noise abatement measures are planned?
- (3) Have noise abatement barriers along the length of the Main South Line in Casula been costed?
- (4) If yes, what are the results of these costings?
- (5) If not, are there any estimates of possible costs?

1669 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

- (1) Is the 4-year program to install flashing lights at school zones on schedule?
- (2) How many schools received flashing lights in the last financial year?
- (3) How many schools are scheduled to receive flashing lights in the current financial year?
- (4) How many of these schools are in the electorate of Keira?