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- *5674 MAITLAND COURTHOUSE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
When will the grass around Maitland Courthouse be cut?
Answer—
I am advised:
The grass around Maitland courthouse was last cut on 10 June 2014 and mowing is scheduled every three weeks if growth requires it.
- *5675 DRUG DETECTION DOGS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
How many people have been charged with drug related criminal offences in the Kings Cross area as a result of the use of drug detection dogs since October 2012?
Answer—
I am advised:
According to the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) court proceedings were commenced against 177 persons of interest in relation to drug related criminal offences in the Kings Cross Local Area Command in which a drug detection dog was present.
- *5676 EAST MAITLAND DISTRICT COURT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
What steps will the Minister take to ensure the continuation of District Court sittings at East Maitland?
Answer—
I am advised:
The sittings of the District Court are a matter for the Chief Judge.
- *5677 ROSEANNE BECKETT CIVIL PROCEEDINGS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
What steps will the Minister take to expedite the resolution of civil proceedings for damages for malicious prosecution against the State of New South Wales by Roseanne Beckett (also known as Roseanne Catt)?
Answer—
I am advised:
The matter is listed for hearing in the Supreme Court on 28 July 2014.
- *5678 REVIEW OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT (POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES) ACT 2002—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
What is the Government's response to recommendation 31 of the review of the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002 carried out by the Department of Attorney General and Justice, and Minister for Police and Emergency Services in 2013?
Answer—
I am advised:
All non-legislative recommendations of the Statutory Review will be implemented following commencement of the amended Act.
- *5679 DETENTION WARRANTS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
How many applications for detention warrants under s.118 of the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002 have been made and rejected by authorised officers in the following periods:
(a) 1 January 2013 to 30 June 2013;
(b) 1 July 2013 to 31 December 2013; and
(c) 1 January 2014 to 27 May 2014?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that the following numbers of detention warrant applications have been made and rejected by authorised officers in the timeframes requested:

TIMEFRAME	DETENTION WARRANT APPLICATIONS	APPLICATIONS REJECTED
(a) 1 Jan 2013 to 30 Jun 2013	57	7
(b) 1 July 2013 to 31 Dec 2013	48	7
(c) 1 Jan 2014 to 27 May 2014	30	4

*5680 SPECIAL POWERS TO PREVENT OR CONTROL PUBLIC DISORDERS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—

- (1) On how many occasions since the commencement of Part 6A of the Law Enforcement (Powers and Responsibilities) Act 2002 has the exercise of the special powers in Division 3 of Part 6A been authorised?
- (2) What were those occasions and in which locations did they occur?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- (1) Five.
- (2) Cronulla - public order incident; Gordon Estate, Dubbo - public order incident; Foreshore Park, Miranda - checking motor vehicles; Newcastle - climate change/coal protest; Wallaga Koori Village, Wallaga Lake - public order incident.

*5681 DEATH OF GAZI AWAD—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Finance and Services—

What action has been taken by WorkCover in relation to the death of Gazi Awad earlier this year?

Answer—

An investigation was undertaken by WorkCover and TestSafe Australia which identified incorrect wiring of the electric drill and power cord owned by the deceased and incorrect wiring of the ceiling power outlet, which was also under his control as the owner of the premises.

The Interim Coroner's Report indicates electrocution, noting an electrical burn on the right palm.

*5682 WORKCOVER PROSECUTIONS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Finance and Services—

Why were no prosecutions instituted by WorkCover concerning the death of Atilio Villegas on 27 March 2012?

Answer—

WorkCover determined not to prosecute in accordance with its Compliance Policy and Prosecution Guidelines.

*5683 RAYMOND TERRACE GP SUPERCLINIC—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

When will the contractors working on the Raymond Terrace GP Superclinic be paid?

Answer—

I am advised:

All issues around the collapse of the head contractor, including the payment of accounts are being handled by the administrator BRI Ferrier.

This matter falls under the portfolio responsibilities of the Minister for Finance. Any enquiries should be redirected accordingly.

*5684 CALVARY MATER NEWCASTLE HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What action is the Government taking to alleviate parking problems at the Calvary Mater Newcastle Hospital?

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(2) Will the Government allocate additional funding to the Hunter New England Health District to provide a park-and-ride shuttle service similar to the one provided to people attending John Hunter Hospital?

(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) - (2) There are plans to build an additional 273 car parking spaces at the Calvary Mater Newcastle site. The car park is expected to be complete by the end of 2015. It will be used as staff car parking, which will free up spaces closer to the hospital for patients, their families and visitors.

*5685 PARK-AND-RIDE SHUTTLE SERVICE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) How many passengers use the park-and-ride shuttle service at the John Hunter Hospital each day?

(2) How many trips does the service make each day to the John Hunter Hospital?

(3) How much does this service cost Hunter New England Health?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) - (3) The John Hunter Hospital park and ride shuttle service is used by approximately 350 passengers each day. The three buses that provide the park and ride shuttle service at the John Hunter Hospital make 71 round trips daily.

The service costs \$385,000 per annum.

*5686 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL STAFFING FIGURES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

How many wardspeople and clerical staff were employed at the John Hunter Hospital as at 31 December 2010 and 31 December 2013?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 31 December 2010, there was 250.4 full time equivalent (FTE) clerical staff employed including general administration, clerks and administration assistants. The number of wards persons, and staff undertaking wards person duties, was 37.5 FTE.

As at 31 December 2013, there was 251.4 FTE clerical staff employed including general administration, clerks and administration assistants. The number of wards persons, and staff undertaking wards person duties, was 41.9 FTE (48 headcount).

*5687 JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITIES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

(1) How many juvenile justice facilities are there in New South Wales?

(2) Where are these facilities located?

(3) Does the Government plan to increase the number of facilities?

(a) If not, why not?

Answer—

This question was previously asked and answered (ref Q.5606).

*5688 TAFE FEES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

(1) What research has the Government undertaken regarding the effect of significantly increasing fees for studying at TAFE?

(2) What effect will the proposed increase in TAFE fees have on the attendance numbers at TAFE colleges in the Hunter?

Answer—

(1) The prices, fees and subsidies to apply under Smart and Skilled are based on advice from the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) which included modelling student demand and consultation with industry and the community. The independent NSW Skills Board considered this advice and recommended some important changes to ensure students will not be unduly disadvantaged.

The new fees and prices mean that 46,000 more students will be able to train in 2015 than under the current arrangements.

(2) TAFE NSW will continue to provide high quality training that meets the needs of industry and provide students with qualifications that ensure they are work ready. Hunter TAFE is positioning itself to be the provider of choice for students in the region under Smart and Skilled.

*5689 NEW TRAIN CARRIAGE TENDER SUBMISSIONS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

- (1) When will the Government be calling for tenders to build new train carriages for New South Wales?
- (2) Will the Government give priority to Australian companies and/or companies from the Hunter who submit tenders?
 - (a) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) As detailed in an industry briefing held on 30 May 2014, it is expected that a contract to build the new train carriages will be awarded in the middle of 2015.

(2) We encourage Australian companies, including those based in the Hunter, to get involved in this important project.

*5690 RATE INCREASE PROPOSALS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Local Government—

How does the Local Government Act 1993 prevent a local council from placing multiple proposals involving rate increases up for public comment at one time?

Answer—

The Local Government Act 1993 does not prevent a local council from placing multiple proposals involving rate increases up for public comment at one time.

*5691 TRAFFIC LIGHT SIGNALS—Ms Sonia Hornery 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) Can traffic light signals be aligned with the boom gate operation of an adjacent railway gate?
 - (a) If so, what needs to be done to align the operation of the two signals?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Yes.

(a) The installation process requires redesign of both signal design systems and the installation of cabling to interface both systems.

*5692 OPAL CARD USERS IN CABRAMATTA—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

Using an "in and out" barrier count total, how many people have used the Opal Card system since it was implemented at Cabramatta and Canley Vale Railway Stations?

Answer—

I am advised:

More than 320,000 Opal cards have now been registered.

Around 16 million journeys have been taken by customers using the Opal card.

Customers have taken more than 3 million free trips with their Opal cards on trains, buses and ferries.

*5693 PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPTIONS—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

- (1) Will the Government implement additional public transport options for residents in Bonnyrigg, Bonnyrigg Heights and Edensor Park?
- (2) What public transport options are currently available to these residents?

Answer—

I am advised:

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- (1) The Liverpool-Parramatta Transitway is identified as a Rapid Route in 'Sydney's Bus Future'. Further details can be found in that document.
- (2) Detailed bus service information is available on the transport information website at www.transportnsw.info/.
- *5694 NEWLEAF BONNYRIGG DEVELOPMENT—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) What is the current status of the Newleaf Bonnyrigg development?
- (2) When does the Government plan to recommence construction of the Newleaf Bonnyrigg development?
- (3) What company has been awarded the contract for the Newleaf Bonnyrigg development?
- Answer—
- I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that the Land and Housing Corporation is in discussions regarding the redevelopment of Newleaf Bonnyrigg.
- *5695 COMMUNITY SERVICES—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) How many reports were made to Community Services about children in the Cabramatta electorate in the 2012-13 financial year?
- (2) How many of these reports were followed up by Community Services?
- (3) How many of these cases were closed due to competing priorities?
- Answer—
- I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information on reports on children and young people is available in the Department of Family and Community Services' Annual Statistical Report and on the Community Services' dashboard, which are both available on the FACS website at <http://www.facs.nsw.gov.au/>.
- *5696 FUNDING FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- How much funding was provided for children with autism in the Cabramatta electorate in each of the financial years 2011-12 and 2012-13?
- Answer—
- I refer to my previous answer on services for children with autism in the Cabramatta electorate (ref Q.5631).
- *5697 HOSPITAL PARKING FEES—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How much revenue was generated from parking fees at Fairfield Hospital and Liverpool Hospital in each of the financial years 2011-12 and 2012-13?
- (2) What are the current parking fees at Fairfield Hospital and Liverpool Hospital for patients and visitors?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- (1) The revenue generated from parking fees at Fairfield Hospital was \$913,802 in 2011-12 and \$884,751 in 2012-13. The revenue generated from parking fees at Liverpool Hospital was \$438,610 in 2011-12 and \$1,137,513 in 2012-13.
- (2) Parking fee information for Fairfield and Liverpool Hospitals can be found on the South Western Sydney Local Health District website, at: <http://www.swslhd.nsw.gov.au/>.
- *5698 DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOMS IN CABRAMATTA—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many demountable classrooms are there in schools in the Cabramatta electorate?
- (2) How long have each of these demountable classrooms been at their current site?
- (3) How old are each of these demountable classrooms?
- (4) Will the Government replace these demountable classrooms with permanent structures?
- (a) If so, when?

Answer—

(1) As at 4 June 2014, there are 89 demountable classrooms located in 11 schools in the electorate of Cabramatta.

(2) - (3) The demountable classrooms have been on these school sites for varied periods, as demountables are moved on and off sites and refurbished as required.

(4) The Department continues to monitor enrolment growth across NSW and provide additional permanent accommodation. Projects are assessed and prioritised for funding against competing priorities in all NSW government schools.

Since 2011, 694 new permanent classrooms have been announced, which reduces the need for demountables in our schools.

*5699 SCHOOL SUSPENSIONS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Education—

(1) What percentage of New South Wales school students who received a suspension of any length in each of the years 2011, 2012 and 2013 were male?

(2) What percentage of New South Wales school students who received a suspension of any length in each of the years 2011-13 were from:

- (a) Western Sydney;
- (b) South Western Sydney;
- (c) Hunter and the Central Coast;
- (d) Illawarra and the South East;
- (e) New England;
- (f) the North Coast;
- (g) North Sydney;
- (h) the Riverina;
- (i) Sydney; and
- (j) Western New South Wales?

Answer—

(1) In 2013 the Department of Education and Communities introduced a new system for the collection of annual suspension data fully utilising the information technology capabilities of ERN (Enrolment and Registration Number). Data prior to 2013 was not collected in a way that enables accurately comparable data sets at the individual student level.

Data cannot be accurately disaggregated for 2011 by gender because the data collected was not linked to unique student identification.

The data on the percentage of New South Wales school students who received a suspension of any length in each of the years 2012 and 2013 who were male is as follows:

GENDER	2012	2013
Female	26.1%	25.2%
Male	73.9%	74.8%

(2) The data from regions on the percentage of New South Wales school students who received a suspension of any length in each of the years 2012-13 is as follows:

REGION	2012	2013
(a) Western Sydney	12.7%	12.6%
(b) South Western Sydney	16.1%	16.3%
(c) Hunter and the Central Coast	18.5%	18.6%
(d) Illawarra and the South East	10.8%	10.6%
(e) New England	5.4%	5.5%
(f) the North Coast	13.4%	12.9%
(g) North Sydney	3.0%	3.1%
(h) the Riverina	5.6%	5.5%
(I) Sydney	5.7%	5.7%
(j) Western New South Wales	9.5%	9.8%

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*5700 WOLLONGONG LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—Mr Ryan Park 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) Why is the Wollongong Local Government Area included in the Regional Relocation Grant program given the high level of unemployment in the area?
- (2) What evidence shows the economic benefit to the Illawarra region in paying people \$7,000 to move from Wollongong to Nowra?
- (3) Who did the Minister consult with in the Illawarra regarding this initiative?

Answer—

(1) To ensure the full benefit of the Regional Relocation Grant scheme applies to regional areas outside the major metropolitan areas, the Regional Relocation Grants Act 2011 ('the Act') defines the local government areas of Wollongong and Newcastle as 'metropolitan'. There were no representations made to the NSW Decentralisation Taskforce to change the definition of the 'metropolitan area' in the Act.

The scheme aims to relieve congestion pressures in metropolitan areas while encouraging population and economic growth in regional New South Wales. Both Wollongong and Newcastle LGAs (which are designated significant urban areas by the ABS) have a significant component of their population that commutes to and works in Sydney. Encouraging relocations from the Wollongong LGA to regional New South Wales would ensure the scheme continues to achieve its original policy intent, i.e. to relieve congestion pressures in metropolitan areas.

The definitions in the Act are also consistent with the definitions of Sydney and regional New South Wales adopted for the Government's Jobs Action Plan. The Jobs Action Plan is an initiative designed to boost job generation by offering payroll tax rebates for new jobs created by companies that pay payroll tax. The program ends in June 2015 and is also applicable to Wollongong.

(2) In November 2013 the Government enacted legislation to enhance the Regional Relocation Grant scheme. The enhancements took effect on 1 January 2014 and include extending eligibility for the Regional Relocation Grant (\$7,000) to metropolitan renters and introducing a new Skilled Regional Relocation Incentive (\$10,000) to encourage people to relocate to regional New South Wales for employment or self-employment. These initiatives are designed to better target the scheme and broaden its scope to attract more economically active people to regional New South Wales. The impact of these changes is being monitored by the Government and will be assessed after an appropriate period of operation.

(3) The Regional Relocation Grant program was considered by the NSW Decentralisation Taskforce as part of a broader review of the Government's Decade of Decentralisation policy and its associated initiatives. The review received a total of 67 submissions from a wide range of stakeholders, including peak industry bodies such as the NSW Business Chamber, regional organisations such as Regional Development Australia (RDA) NSW committees, several Regional Organisations of Councils, local businesses, individual councils and shires, community and specific interest groups as well as individuals. In the Illawarra region, key stakeholders including the Illawarra Business Chamber and RDA Illawarra were invited to make submissions. Written submissions were also received from the Wollongong and Shoalhaven City Councils.

*5701 REGIONAL RELOCATION GRANT—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) Was the Minister consulted about recent changes to the Regional Relocation Grant that allows someone to be paid \$7,000 to move from Wollongong to Nowra?
- (2) What evidence did the Minister receive that these changes would be beneficial to the Illawarra economy?
- (3) Did the Minister consult with anyone from the Illawarra about this initiative?
 - (a) If so, who?

Answer—

Changes to the Regional Relocation Grant scheme relate to the Trade and Investment portfolio. As such, questions about the changes should be directed to the Deputy Premier.

*5702 AGED DRIVING ASSESSORS—Ms Anna Watson 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 aged driving assessors are there in the Illawarra region?
 - (a) Where are these aged driving assessors located?
- (2) Is there still an aged driving assessor located at the Kiama State Service Centre?
 - (a) If not, where is this assessor now located?
- (3) What are the hours of operation to access this aged driving assessor?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) There are 13 accredited driving assessors that service the Illawarra region. They can be located through the Roads and Maritime website.
- (2) There will be one aged driver tester at the Kiama Service Centre from the end of July 2014.
- (3) A list of Aged Driving Assessors and the hours of operation can be obtained by telephoning 13 22 13 or via the Roads and Maritime website.

*5703 INCORRECT TIMES TABLE PUBLICATION—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Is the Minister aware that the Member for Kiama distributed a nine times table to local schools in the Kiama electorate which contained an error suggesting that 9 times 11 equals 91?
- (2) Was this times table a formal document prepared and published by the Department of Education?
 - (a) If so, has the error been identified and corrected?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (3) How many of the nine times tables were published and distributed?
- (4) What was the cost of publishing the nine times table containing the error?
- (5) What was the cost of publishing the corrected nine times table?

Answer—

- (1) No.
- (2) No; (a) Not applicable; (b) Not applicable.
- (3) - (5) Not applicable.

*5704 RESPITE CENTRES—Ms Noreen Hay asked the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

Will respite centres across New South Wales, particularly in Dapto and the Illawarra, remain open to provide families and carers with ongoing access to local respite services?

Answer—

As New South Wales transitions to the National Disability Insurance Scheme and in line with the Living Life My Way (LLMW) Framework, the Government's focus is on increasing the availability of individualised funding to support people with disability, their family and carers to access a greater range of flexible support options.

There are no plans to close or change the respite centres until all current users and their families are receiving support in the way that they choose. People with disability, their families and carers will continue to have ongoing access to local respite services of their choice, if they choose this type of support as part of their individualised funding arrangements. There will be no changes to current services without consultation.

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*5705 MATERNITY SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What was the total cost of providing the following maternity services at Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital for 2013:

- (a) obstetric services;
- (b) paediatric services; and
- (c) anaesthetic services?

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Answer—

I am advised:

(a) - (c) The total cost of providing maternity services at Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital was \$2,162,414 in 2013. This includes medical costs of the Obstetrics Service at \$847,691, the Paediatric Service at \$446,711 and the total cost of the Anaesthetic Service at \$563,153.

It is not possible to separate out the maternity specific component of the expense for Anaesthetic services. The costs are not the total of service provision as they exclude ward and associated costs.

*5706 MEDICAL LOCUMS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

What was the total cost of medical locums to the maternity unit at Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital for 2013 for the following:

- (a) obstetric services;
- (b) paediatric services; and
- (c) anaesthetic services?

Answer—

I am advised:

The total cost of medical locums in the maternity unit at Blue Mountains District ANZAC Memorial Hospital was \$1,600 for obstetric services and nil for paediatric or anaesthetic services in 2013.

*5707 BLUE MOUNTAINS DISTRICT ANZAC MEMORIAL HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many babies were delivered at the Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital in 2013?
 - (a) How many of these babies were delivered by vaginal delivery?
 - (b) How many by caesarean section?
 - (c) How many required transfer to another facility after delivery?

Answer—

I am advised:

226 babies were born at Blue Mountains District ANZAC Memorial Hospital in 2013.

The numbers of vaginal deliveries, caesarean sections and those requiring transfer to tertiary level facilities are small and potentially identifiable. For this reason, these specific details have not been provided.

*5708 GET HEALTHY NSW STAFF—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What was the total budget for the "Get Healthy NSW" program for 2013-14?
- (2) How many full-time equivalent staff are employed by this program?
- (3) How many staffing positions are currently vacant as at 28 May 2014?
- (4) Are staff employed by NSW Health or another provider?
- (5) What are the position titles for each of the staff employed?
- (6) What therapy or advice is offered to participants of the program?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) The budget for service delivery for the NSW Get Healthy Information and Coaching service for 2013-14 is \$3,000,000.

(2) - (5) NSW Health contracts Healthways Australia to provide the NSW Get Healthy Information and Coaching Service. Staff are employed as Health Coaches or Lead Health Coaches. Healthways Australia provides the Get Healthy Information and Coaching Service to New South Wales and four other jurisdictions, and as such a New South Wales specific break down of staffing positions is unable to be provided.

(6) Get Healthy Information and Coaching Service participants can receive written and verbal advice to assist them to make sustained changes to their lifestyle, including information on goal-setting, staying motivated and overcoming barriers.

*5709 GET HEALTHY NSW—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Is a GP sign off mandatory prior to acceptance into the "Get Healthy NSW" program?
- (2) What exclusion criteria applies, even after a GP sign off has been provided?
- (3) How many clients were treated from 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014?
- (4) How many patients referred to the program have been refused treatment?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) - (3) General Practitioner (GP) sign off is not mandatory for acceptance into the Get Healthy Service. GP approval to proceed with the coaching program is only required when an initial assessment indicates someone has a medical or health related condition that should be considered in the advice provided by health coaches. No further exclusion criteria apply to the Get Healthy Service.

From 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014, 226 people requested information and 5102 people from NSW enrolled in the Get Healthy Service 6 month coaching program. The Get Healthy Service has not refused treatment to eligible participants.

*5710 VACCINATION POLICY—Dr Andrew McDonald 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—

Does the Minister support current NSW Health vaccination policies?

Answer—

Yes.

*5711 CHILD PROTECTION HELPLINE FOR MANDATORY REPORTERS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Family and Community Services—

- (1) How many calls were made to the Child Protection Helpline for mandatory reporters (133 627) from health workers from July to December 2013?
 - (a) How many of these calls were answered?
 - (b) How many of these calls dropped out before being answered?
 - (c) What was the average waiting time?
- (2) Is this information publicly reported in any forum?

Answer—

I am advised by the Department of Family and Community Services that information on the Child Protection Helpline is available in the Department of Family and Community Services Annual Statistical Report which is available at http://www.community.nsw.gov.au/docs_menu/about_us/docs_data.html.

*5712 GRAYTHWAITE REHABILITATION CENTRE—Mrs Barbara Perry asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many beds will be open at full capacity at the Graythwaite Rehabilitation Centre at Ryde?
- (2) How many beds are currently open at the Graythwaite Rehabilitation Centre at Ryde?
 - (a) How many of these beds were transferred from Graythwaite North Sydney?
- (3) How many beds are to be shut at Greenwich hospital?
 - (a) When will these beds be shut?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Graythwaite Rehabilitation Centre has capacity for 64 in-patient beds. 48 beds are currently open and recruitment of staff to open a further 16 beds is currently underway.

(2) No beds were transferred from a facility called "Graythwaite North Sydney" to Graythwaite Rehabilitation Centre.

(3) NSW Health does not operate Greenwich Hospital and is unable to answer this question.

*5713 HERITAGE BUILDINGS IN THE NEWCASTLE CBD—Mrs Barbara Perry asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

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What is being done to ensure that important heritage buildings in the Newcastle CBD will be protected from overdevelopment and that changes to planning controls will not have a detrimental impact on the existing heritage precinct?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

There are a number of heritage items in the Newcastle CBD that are listed on the State Heritage Register and the Newcastle City Council Local Environmental Plan.

These items are subject to statutory protections under the Heritage Act 1977 and the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

The Heritage Council of NSW has also provided formal feedback on the Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy.

*5714 AGEING, DISABILITY AND HOME CARE SERVICES—Mrs Barbara Perry asked the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) How much is Ernst and Young being paid as Lead Transaction Adviser for the NSW Disability Services transaction?
- (2) How many consulting firms or individuals were sent the Request for Submission for Lead Transaction Adviser - NSW Disability Services Transaction?
 - (a) What are the names of these firms or individuals?
- (3) What is Ironstone Capital's role in the transfer of Ageing, Disability and Home Care (ADHC) services to the non-government sector?
 - (a) How much is Ironstone Capital being paid for these services?
- (4) What is Newgate Communications' role in the transfer of ADHC services to the non-government sector?
 - (a) How much is Newgate Communications being paid for their services?
- (5) How much is Baker and McKenzie being paid as advisers on the transfer of ADHC services to the non-government sector?
- (6) What advice from disability and public policy experts has the Government received regarding the transition of ADHC disability services to non-government entities and providers?
 - (a) Who is ADHC receiving this advice from?
- (7) What consultation has taken place with people with disabilities and stakeholder/advocacy groups regarding the transfer of ADHC services to the non-government sector?

Answer—

- (1) and (3) - (5) Details will be published on the NSW Procurement website in the near future.
- (2) All Financial Advisory and Accounting and Tax Advisory Proponents in the Government's Corporate & Transaction Advisory Prequalified Panel were asked to participate. Details of these organisations are publically available on NSW Treasury website.
- (6) Community and other stakeholders will be asked to provide advice.
- (7) Consultation with different stakeholders continues and builds upon the 2011 Living Life My Way consultations and the resulting framework to support the transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme and self directed delivery support models.

*5715 BADGERYS CREEK AIRPORT RAIL LINK—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

- (1) Will there be a rail link to the proposed Badgerys Creek Airport?
 - (a) If so, will it link to the currently proposed South West and North West rail lines?
- (2) What are the physical barriers to linking the proposed airport to the proposed South West and North West rail lines?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) - (2) The Government is reserving a public transport corridor to connect Leppington Station to Bringelly and then head in two directions, north via the airport site to the Western Line near St Marys and south to Narellan.

*5716 LEFT TURN AT RED LIGHTS—Mr Ryan Park 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) Has the Minister conducted any investigations or analysis of the proposal to allow motorists to turn left at red lights that are deemed suitable after stopping?
 - (a) If so, what did these investigations reveal?
- (2) Would the Minister be prepared to trial this initiative in the Illawarra?
 - (a) If so, when would such a trial begin?

Answer—

I am advised:

A number of studies have been carried out to assess the practice of allowing left turn on red.

These studies show left turn on red provides an efficiency benefit, but no benefit in terms of safety. In some instances, permitting left turns on red may compromise safety.

Before any left turn on red is permitted, proposed sites are examined from a safety perspective.

The Government will continue this safety assessment process to determine if a left turn on red is appropriate on a case by case basis.

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5717 MANUFACTURE OF NEW BUSES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

5718 TRAIN SERVICES FOR SPECIAL EVENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

5719 SCHOOL SPEED ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—

5720 PUBLIC SCHOOL INSURANCE POLICIES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—

*5721 NEW LOWER HUNTER HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What mining activity has been conducted on the site chosen for the new Lower Hunter hospital (ref Q.5446)?
- (2) What does the Mine Closure Plan involve?
- (3) Is additional rehabilitation work required for the existing brick works on the site?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) - (3) Clay mining, using surface mining techniques, was previously undertaken on the Metford site.

The authorisation holder, CSR Building Products Ltd, is required to meet the rehabilitation obligations under the Mining Operations Plan and Closure Plan. NSW Trade and Investment (NSW Resources and Energy) is the regulator responsible for the Mine Operations Plan and Closure Plan process.

The development of a closure plan takes into account the legal requirements and unique environmental, economic and social properties of the operation. This is required before the land is used for another purpose; in this case, the development of the New Maitland Hospital.

The site will be returned to crown management on completion of the works associated with the Mine Closure Plan, including rehabilitation. Site remediation is an obligation of the tenant and occurs at their expense.

*5722 CESSNOCK DISTRICT HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What is the full range of x-ray, imaging and scanning services offered at Cessnock District Hospital?
 - (a) What is the average result waiting time for each service?
- (2) How have the funding and staffing models for these services at Cessnock District Hospital changed in the past 3 years?

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Answer—

I am advised:

(1) - (2) The funding and staffing models for imaging services at Cessnock Hospital have remained the same in the past three years. A number of imaging services are available at Cessnock Hospital, including:

- General x-rays.
- Orthopantomogram (OPG) including mandibular, temporomandibular joint and cephalometry x-ray.
- Fluoroscopy including barium swallows, barium meals, barium enemas and small bowel series.
- Ultrasound including obstetric, gynaecological, peripheral vascular and abdominal.

Patients receive their results on average four days after an examination. In urgent cases results will be expedited and may be available within 24 hours.

5723 COMMITTEE VISIT TO UPPER HUNTER—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Assistant Minister for Tourism and Major Events—

*5724 CARAVAN ROADSIDE REST STOPS—Mr Clayton Barr 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) How long can a caravan and car "rest" on the roadside?
- (2) Is there an information guide available to advise travellers where they can still legally stop without being fined?
- (3) Are these restrictions controlled by the Government or individual local councils?
- (4) Is there a licence for which travellers can apply that will enable them to use these areas?

Answer—

(1) - (2) This is a matter for the Minister for Roads and Ports.

(3) Regulation and enforcement of parking rules is a shared responsibility of councils, Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) and NSW Police.

(4) No.

The Minister for Roads and Freight submitted the following additional information on 1 July 2014:

I am advised:

(1) - (4) Local councils monitor and enforce any restriction related to the duration of stay in a road side rest area. Government policy on camping in public places, Council Management of Camping in Public Places, is available at <http://www.dlg.nsw.gov.au/dlg/dlghome/documents/Circulars/13-05.pdf>.

An online interactive rest area map is available on the Roads and Maritime website.

*5725 REGISTRY OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES IN HAMILTON—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) Will the Hamilton office of the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages be closed?
 - (a) If so, when?
- (2) Where will the nearest office of Births, Deaths and Marriages be for the residents of the Hunter Valley?
- (3) How many jobs will be dissolved as a result of the closure?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) There are no immediate plans to close the Hamilton office of the Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

(2) Not applicable.

(3) Not applicable.

5726 ULTIMO PYRMONT WALKWAY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

5727 BRIDGE OVER ANZAC PARADE IN MOORE PARK—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

5728 OXFORD STREET CYCLEWAY—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

5729 DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

5730 CLUSTERING OF LICENSED PREMISES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

*5731 MOORE PARK WEST—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

Does the Government remain committed to permanently keeping car parking off Moore Park West, which was removed as part of compensation for the loss of 2.2 hectares of parkland for the Eastern Distributor?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

The Centennial Park and Moore Park Trust has no plans to allow on grass car parking at Moore Park West.

*5732 ALCOHOL ADVERTISING AND PRICING—Mr Alex Greenwich asked the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—

(1) What assessment has the Government made of the effectiveness of higher prices and restrictions on advertising and marketing contributing to a reduction in binge drinking and associated violence?

(2) What action can the Government take to police alcohol marketing and prices?

(3) What has the Government done to influence the Federal Government to take action on alcohol advertising, marketing, taxation and pricing?

(4) What action has the Government taken on alcohol sponsorship and links with sport?

(5) What further action will the Government take to address alcohol related harm through advertising, marketing, taxation and pricing?

Answer—

Responsibility for the regulation of advertising and alcohol pricing primarily rests with the Federal Government.

The Government plays a role in the regulation of liquor promotions by licensed venues, both at the point of sale and elsewhere. The Liquor Act 2007 and the Liquor Promotion Guidelines enable action to be taken to restrict undesirable activities or promotions, such as those which appeal to minors or are likely to encourage excessive or rapid consumption resulting in intoxication.

The Sydney CBD Entertainment Precinct Plan of Management, which was announced on 28 May 2014 and developed in consultation with the City of Sydney, includes measures to prohibit venues from promoting free or heavily discounted drinks, and serving certain high risk drinks such as shots and doubles after midnight.

The Government is committed to approaching and working with the Federal Government on the best way to bring jurisdictions together to develop a national approach to alcohol policy issues. The Government will also continue to raise alcohol issues via existing intergovernmental bodies.

To support the comprehensive package of measures announced in January 2014 to address alcohol related violence, the Government is developing a major new public awareness campaign to drive changes in behaviour regarding excessive drinking and associated violent acts. The Government has also partnered with Danny Green to secure television, radio, taxi-back and outdoor coverage for the champion boxer's 'A Coward's Punch Can Kill' campaign.

5733 311 BUS SERVICE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

5734 LGBTI YOUNG PEOPLE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Education—

5735 EASY ACCESS LIFT AT YAGOONA RAILWAY STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

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- 5736 CHESTER HILL BUS SERVICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 5737 COMMUNITY TRANSPORT PROGRAM—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 5738 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION TRAINING FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 5739 ENERGY CONTRACT COMPLAINTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 5740 ELECTRICITY PRICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
- *5741 MULTICULTURAL ADVANTAGE GRANTS PROGRAM—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- (1) What grants under the Multicultural Advantage Grants Program did the Government provide to multicultural groups and events in 2013 in the following electorates:
 - (a) Bankstown;
 - (b) East Hills;
 - (c) Granville;
 - (d) Smithfield;
 - (e) Oatley;
 - (f) Drummoyne; and
 - (g) Strathfield?
 - (2) Please name the organisations, amount received and purpose of each project for the Government grants in (1) for each of the following electorates:
 - (a) Bankstown;
 - (b) East Hills;
 - (c) Granville;
 - (d) Smithfield;
 - (e) Oatley;
 - (f) Drummoyne; and
 - (g) Strathfield?
- Answer—
- The information to both questions 1 & 2 are available in the Community Relation's Commission 2012-13 Annual Report available on the Community Relations Website.
- *5742 BANKSTOWN-LIDCOMBE HOSPITAL—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- Will the Minister rule out patients having to pay a "GP fee" at Bankstown-Lidcombe Hospital?
- Answer—
- The Government will not implement a co-payment for emergency department patients in New South Wales.
- 5743 MANAGEMENT OF SES VOLUNTEERS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
- 5744 WIN JUBILEE OVAL KOGARAH FUNDING—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—
- 5745 SPORTINGBET STADIUM PENRITH FUNDING—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—

- 5746 REMONDIS STADIUM FUNDING—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—
- 5747 BROOKVALE OVAL FUNDING—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—
- 5748 WIN STADIUM FUNDING—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—
- 5749 CAMPBELLTOWN SPORTS STADIUM FUNDING—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—
- 5750 CENTRAL COAST STADIUM FUNDING—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—
- 5751 LEICHHARDT OVAL FUNDING—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—
- 5752 BELMORE SPORTS GROUND FUNDING—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—
- 5753 WORK PLACEMENT FOR STUDENTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5754 INDEPENDENT EMPLOYMENT ADVISOR CONTRACT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5755 SMART AND SKILLED REFORMS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5756 SMART AND SKILLED REFORMS TENDER PROCESS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5757 STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5758 RUSSELL VALE MINE SITE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
- *5759 NSW SMART WORK HUB PILOT PROGRAM—Ms Anna Watson 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) Will the Minister publish the names of applicants and the number of applications received from the Illawarra region under the NSW Smart Work Hub Pilot Program (ref Q.5237)?
 - (2) What are the commuter population numbers in:
 - (a) Western Sydney;
 - (b) Central Coast; and
 - (c) the Illawarra?

Answer—

- (1) NSW Trade & Investment received one application from the Illawarra region for funding under the NSW Smart Work Hub Pilot Program. The Department is unable to disclose the identity of that applicant as they requested their application be treated commercial in confidence.
- (2) NSW Trade & Investment used the 2011 ABS Census to calculate commuter populations suitable to work from a Smart Work Hub. Commuters were considered to be those people employed who usually work in an office and who travel more than 60 minutes to get to work. These commuter populations numbers are as follows:
 - (a) Western Sydney 64,131;
 - (b) Central Coast 11,643;
 - (c) The Illawarra 6,899.

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*5760 ESTUARY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR LAKE ILLAWARRA—Ms Anna Watson 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) Has the estuary management committee for Lake Illawarra been established yet (ref Q.4659)?
- (2) What are the reasons for the delays in establishing the committee?
- (3) What is being done to resolve these issues?

Answer—

(1) No.

(2) - (3) The final decisions and processes to establish an Estuary Management Committee rest with the Council of the City of Wollongong and the Council of the City of Shellharbour. Both Councils have experience in the operation of estuary management committees.

5761 DAPTO RESPITE CENTRE—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services representing the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

5762 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM FUNDING APPLICANTS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Education—

5763 HOUSING NSW TRANSFER REQUESTS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—

5764 GOING HOME STAYING HOME—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—

5765 MILITARY LEAVE GUIDELINES—Mr John Robertson to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

5766 REWRITTEN MILITARY LEAVE GUIDELINES—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Education—

*5767 MILITARY LEAVE GUIDELINES—Mr John Robertson asked the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) Why does the Department of Education and Communities Military Leave Guidelines require reservists to use their own Public Service annual leave entitlements in order to attend and provide support to Defence Force operations?
- (2) Will the Premier guarantee that the new Guidelines will not require employees who are members of the Australian Defence Force Reserve to take Leave Without Pay or Annual Leave in order to attend and participate in Reserve duties?
- (3) Will the Premier amend the new Guidelines to ensure that employees who are members of the Australian Defence Force Reserve can contribute to Reserve service without losing income, as per the original intention and spirit of the NSW Government Military Leave and Top up Pay Policy?

Answer—

(1) Following consultation with the Office of Reserve Service Protection at the Department of Defence, the Department issued new military leave guidelines to clarify the entitlements to military leave of departmental employees who are Reservists.

The guidelines provide clear advice for employees and their managers concerning the application of military leave provisions contained in the Crown Employees (Public Service Conditions of Employment) Award and other relevant industrial instruments.

The Department provides paid military leave or top up pay to Reservists to undertake certain types of reserve service including:

- undertaking annual training;
- attending schools, classes or courses of instruction and compulsory parades conducted by the Reservists' unit; and
- attending a call out for Reservists made by the Governor-General.

When a reservist's unit is not called out or required for service, but a reservist volunteers for additional activities, the employee is not prevented from participating. However, these voluntary activities are not eligible for military leave as contained in the Award. Support for voluntary service is provided by enabling the employee to access other forms of leave.

The amended guidelines have not reduced or removed any Award entitlement for required ADF reserve service.

(2) I refer to the answer to Question 1.

(3) I refer to the answer to Question 1.

5768 REMOVAL OF BUS STOPS—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

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5769 FORGACS ENGINEERING APPRENTICESHIPS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

5770 HUNTER SCHOOL REPAIRS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

5771 MEDOWIE HIGH SCHOOL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

5772 GP CO-PAYMENTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

5773 PREVENTION OF SELF HARM AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

5774 PROCUREMENT POLICY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—

5775 HOMELESSNESS SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—

5776 2013-14 ARTS BUDGET—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

5777 WALLSEND JUSTICE ACCESS CENTRE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

5779 CORRECTIVE SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

5780 COURT REPORTING SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

5781 COURT REPORTING SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

5782 SMYTH REVIEW OF THE NSW INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—

5783 NSW INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—

5784 PLATFORM SEATING AT LIVERPOOL RAILWAY STATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

5785 LIVERPOOL RAILWAY STATION CLOCK—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

5786 LIVERPOOL NEIGHBOURHOOD CONNECTION INVOICE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

5787 SYDNEY WATER CLIENT INFORMATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—

5788 PENALTY AND INFRINGEMENT NOTICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—

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- 5791 ILLEGAL TOBACCO SALES IN CABRAMATTA—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 5793 MEALS ON WHEELS—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 5794 COMMUNITY SERVICES CASE WORKERS—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
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- 5799 JUSTICES OF THE PEACE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
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- 5802 EDGECLIFF RAILWAY STATION—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
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- 5810 SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL EXPANSION—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 5818 GROWTH BUSES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 5819 DEMOUNTABLE BUILDINGS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5820 LOWER HUNTER REGIONAL PLANNING STRATEGY—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
- 5821 COAL MINING ROYALTIES SCHEME—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
- 5822 FAIR TRADING BUDGET CUTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 5823 COMPLAINTS FINALISED WITHIN 30 DAYS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 5824 DEPARTMENT OF FAIR TRADING JOB LOSSES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 5825 TATTOO PARLOUR LICENSE APPLICATIONS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services representing the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 5826 EASY ACCESS LIFT AT BIRRONG RAILWAY STATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
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- 5831 NSW FOOD AUTHORITY—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 5838 AMBULANCE HUB STATIONS—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—
- 5839 REDEVELOPMENT OF PIRTEK STADIUM—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—
- 5840 ABORIGINAL CHILDREN IN OUT-OF-HOME-CARE—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 5841 SPECIALIST HOMELESSNESS SERVICES FOR YOUNG WOMEN—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 5842 EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES FOR ABORIGINAL CHILDREN—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 5843 KINGSGROVE BUS DEPOT SERVICE REVIEW—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 5844 LITTLE YUIN ABORIGINAL PRESCHOOL FUNDING—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5845 LITTLE YUIN ABORIGINAL PRESCHOOL—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for Veterans Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—
- 5846 MILLERS POINT SOCIAL HOUSING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 5847 ETHICS CLASSES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5848 PADDINGTON BOWLING CLUB LEASE REVIEW—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 Small Business, and Minister for the North Coast—

- 5849 ELIZABETH BAY MARINA—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 5850 CAMPBELLTOWN HOSPITAL LIBRARY—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 5851 CAMPBELLTOWN HOSPITAL LIBRARY FTE STAFF—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 5852 ROYAL PRINCE ALFRED FOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 5853 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- 5854 NUTRITION IN SCHOOLS POLICY—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Education—
- 5855 STATE HERITAGE REGISTER—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- 5856 SCHOOL FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 5857 APPIN ROAD—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 5858 SOUTH COAST TRAIN LINE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 5859 ENFIELD INTERMODAL LOGISTICS CENTRE—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for Planning, and Minister for Women—
- 5860 PRISONER PROPERTY STORAGE—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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- 5861 OUTSTANDING HOUSING NSW MAINTENANCE ISSUES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) How many outstanding Housing NSW maintenance issues are there in the Cessnock Electorate that have exceeded three months from the date of reporting for the following periods:
 - (a) 1 July 2013 to 31 December 2013; and
 - (b) 1 January 2014 to 30 June 2014?
 - (2) What is anticipated timeframe for the outstanding issues to be fixed?
- 5862 MAINTENANCE ISSUES RESPONSE TIME—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- Does the 48 hour response time, advised by the 24/7 Housing Contact Centre for maintenance issues reported to Housing NSW, commence from the time of reporting or does it exclude weekends and public holidays?
- 5863 REPLACEMENT BUSES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- (1) How many of the 108 ageing buses scheduled to be replaced will be built in New South Wales?
 - (2) Of these, how many will be built in the Hunter?
 - (3) Will any of these buses be used to increase the number of buses available in the Newcastle CBD to accommodate the intended termination of the heavy rail line?
- 5864 BUS ROUTES 263 AND 267—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—

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- (1) What changes, as announced in the recent State Budget, will be made to the Hunter Valley Buses bus routes 263 and 267?
(2) When will these changes be implemented?
- 5865 TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON GEORGE BOOTH DRIVE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) Did Roads and Maritime Services receive an application for traffic lights on George Booth Drive in the suburb of Cameron Park to enable access to the proposed shopping centre?
(a) If so, when was the application received?
(b) If so, what is the current status of the application?
- 5866 NEW ELECTRIC HOSPITAL BEDS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- How many of the 859 new electric hospital beds, as announced in the 2014-15 Budget, will be received by the following hospitals:
- (a) Cessnock Hospital;
(b) Scone Hospital;
(c) Muswellbrook Hospital;
(d) Singleton Hospital;
(e) Dungog Hospital;
(f) Gloucester Hospital; and
(g) Maitland Hospital?
- 5867 HUNTER WATER METERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water, and Minister for Western NSW—
- (1) Is there a set number of Hunter Water meters that are replaced each year?
(a) If so, how many were replaced in the following financial years:
(i) 2010-11;
(ii) 2011-12;
(iii) 2012-13; and
(iv) 2013-14?
(2) How many are scheduled to be replaced in 2014-15?
(3) What is the average cost to replace a meter?
(4) What is done with the replaced meters that were still in working order when removed?
- 5868 LIFE SUPPORT ELECTRICITY REBATES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
- Will the reported increase in electricity prices from 1 July 2014 be accompanied by an increase in the rebates for eligible customers with regards to the Life Support Electricity Rebates?
- 5869 HAZARD REDUCTION BURNS—Mr Clayton Barr 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 hazard reduction burns were conducted in the Cessnock electorate from 1 January 2014 to 30 June 2014?
(2) How many are scheduled to be conducted from 1 July 2014 to 31 December 2014?
- 5870 448 BUS SERVICE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- (1) What is the policy rationale for the 448 bus service only having one stop in Pymont at the casino?
(2) What funds does the casino contribute to this bus service and how has this been calculated?
(3) Does the 448 bus service stop to allow passengers to board or leave the bus between the casino and the Queen Victoria Building?
(4) How many existing bus stops are along the 448 bus route?
(5) What consideration has been given to adding stops along this route?
(6) What were the reasons for providing an express bus service on this route?
(7) Has a review been carried out on this service and has feedback been obtained from bus passengers and local residents?

- (8) What plans does the Government have for improving access to the 448 bus service?
- 5871 SHORT TRIP TICKETS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- (1) How long will paper tickets continue to be allowed under the full rollout of the Opal system?
 - (2) What plans does the Government have to provide tickets or other options for short trips under the Opal system?
 - (3) How will the Government ensure that short trips on buses continue to be cost effective for people on low incomes?
- 5872 ABATTOIR GAS CHAMBERS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Assistant Minister for Tourism and Major Events—
- (1) What proportion of pig abattoirs in New South Wales use group gassings to kill pigs?
 - (2) What assessment has the Government made of the potential distress and pain experienced by pigs in gas chambers where carbon dioxide concentrations are over 20 per cent?
 - (3) What assessment has the Government made of the potential for pain and suffering caused to pigs killed in gas chambers with carbon dioxide concentrations of between 80 and 100 per cent?
 - (4) Is the Government aware of footage from earlier this year from the Rivalea pig abattoir which shows pigs kicking and screaming as they gasp for air inside a gas chamber?
 - (5) Will the Government introduce an industry code or standard for pig gas chambers in New South Wales that ensures pigs do not experience violent reactions and die in a state of terror?
 - (6) What inspections has the Government carried out on pig gas chambers?
 - (a) What were the findings of these inspections?
 - (7) Will the Government make CCTV cameras mandatory in all abattoirs to ensure current standards are not breached and to help improve standards to protect animals from unnecessary pain and suffering?
- 5873 PRUNING IMPACTS ON STREET TREES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, and Special Minister of State—
- (1) What flexibility does Ausgrid provide on the geographical coverage of vegetation management contracts to encourage councils to tender to carry out tree pruning work for Ausgrid in their local government area given contract zones usually cover four or five council areas?
 - (2) Will Ausgrid accept requests from councils to include only their local government areas in a contract?
 - (3) To what extent will Ausgrid initiate a review of its latest clearance pruning requirements given many councils report that it is excessive?
 - (4) Why did Ausgrid refuse the latest request from the City of Sydney to transfer clearance tree pruning as part of an agreement on sharing costs for converting multi-span power lines to aerial bundled cabling?
 - (5) What action is the Government taking to reduce pruning impacts on street trees?
- 5874 PUBLIC SCHOOL DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How does the Government ensure that students with a disability are able to attend and learn at public schools?
 - (2) How are resources allocated to individual schools for disability support services?
 - (3) What resources are allocated to the following public schools:
 - (a) Bourke Street Public School;
 - (b) Crown Street Public School;
 - (c) Darlinghurst Public School;
 - (d) Fort Street Public School;
 - (e) Glenmore Road Public School;
 - (f) Paddington Public School;
 - (g) Plunkett Street Public School;
 - (h) Ultimo Public School; and
 - (i) Woollahra Public School?
 - (4) How many students with a disability needing support have been identified at these schools?
 - (5) What specialist training has been provided to teachers in these schools?
 - (6) How many specialist teachers or aides are provided in these schools?
 - (7) What plans does the Government have to increase disability funds and support?

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- 5875 DISABILITY PAYROLL TAX REBATES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—
- (1) What rebates or exemptions does the Government provide for employers to employ people with a disability?
 - (2) What plans does the Government have to expand on existing help to employers?
 - (3) What further action will the Government take to support people with a disability through payroll tax relief?
- 5876 INNER CITY WOMEN'S REFUGES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) What action will the Government take to ensure inner city women's refuges keep their premises to prevent interruption to homelessness services?
 - (2) What consideration will the Government give to providing additional funding to refuges that are forced to move from existing premises to cover the additional cost of renting a new premise?
 - (3) Will the Government extend the funding period beyond 18 months to ensure inner city women's homeless refuges remain viable?
- 5877 REDUCING POKER MACHINE BETTING LIMITS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Hospitality, Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- (1) What consideration will the Government give to the Productivity Commission's proposal to reduce poker machine bet limits as a way to reduce harm without affecting recreational gamblers, which was supported by the 2011 Joint Select Committee on Gambling Reform report?
 - (2) What assessment has the Government made on the effect of reducing poker machine bet limits to \$1?
 - (3) What new actions will the Government consider to reduce losses by problem gamblers?
- 5878 UNSOLICITED PROPOSALS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Premier, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) How many unsolicited proposals have been submitted to the Government since April 2011?
 - (a) What proportion of these proposals were approved?
 - (2) How many unsolicited proposals have been submitted to the Government from community housing providers since April 2011?
 - (a) What proportion of these proposals were approved?
- 5879 JOINT SUPPORT PROGRAM SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- What is the nature of the services provided under the Joint Support Program to the clients referred to in LA Q.5314?
- 5880 CORRECTIVE SERVICES NSW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) What is the status of the Corrective Services NSW program for protected witnesses?
 - (2) Has it been relocated?
- 5881 COURT REPORTING IN THE SUPREME COURT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- Will the Department's proposal for court reporting in the Supreme Court using contract monitors and RSB sound monitors eventually cover all Supreme Court civil matters, whether a daily transcript is required or not and thus remove the Department's current Court Reporters from all Supreme Court civil matters?
- 5882 DEPARTMENTAL COURT REPORTERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Will the Department proposal for Departmental Court Reporters to be replaced by sound monitor contractors mean that for a one day matter with two parties, an individual plaintiff, if requested to pay for the transcript, will bear the burden of a 30% increase in overall hearing fees?
 - (2) Will the proposal mean that for a two day matter, the hearing costs would increase by 43%?
 - (3) If the proposal will not result in the above increases in (1) and (2), what consequence will there be for the cost of transcripts to parties?

- 5883 SINGLE SEX YOUTH REFUGES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) Will the Going Home Staying Home proposal mean that there will be no single sex youth refuge in the region extending from Fairfield to Bowral?
 - (a) If not, in which suburbs will such single sex youth refuges be located?
- 5884 YOUTH REFUGES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) Will the Going Home Staying Home proposal mean that there will only be three 24 hour youth refuges in the region extending from Fairfield to Bowral?
 - (a) If not, how many such refuges will there be and in which suburbs will they be located?
- 5885 POLICE COMPLAINT INVESTIGATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for Sport and Recreation, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Western Sydney—
- What progress has been made in investigating the complaint against police concerning the prosecution of Bradley James Rankin and Alan Leslie Roberts and the comments made by Magistrate Heilpern at Lismore Local Court on 30 October 2013?
- 5886 SOCIAL BENEFIT BONDS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- (1) What progress has been made in relation to the proposed recidivism pilot of Social Benefit Bonds involving Social Finance and Mission Australia and the then Department of Attorney General and Justice?
 - (2) Are there any other pilots of Social Benefit Bonds that have been considered for development involving the Department of Attorney General and Justice or the Department of Police and Justice?
 - (a) If so, what are they?
 - (b) If so, what progress has been made in relation to them?
- 5887 SMYTH REVIEW OF THE NEW SOUTH WALES INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—
- Will the Government lower the priority for mental health education and training in light of the recommendation of the Smyth Review of the New South Wales Institute of Psychiatry?
- 5888 CENTRAL COAST LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—
- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff were employed in mental health in the Central Coast Local Health District (LHD) as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?
 - (2) How many positions in mental health were vacant in the Central Coast LHD as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?
- 5889 NEPEAN BLUE MOUNTAINS LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—
- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff were employed in mental health in the Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District (LHD) as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?
 - (2) How many positions in mental health were vacant in the Nepean Blue Mountains LHD as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?
- 5890 WESTERN SYDNEY LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—
- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff were employed in mental health in the Western Sydney Local Health District (LHD) as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?
 - (2) How many positions in mental health were vacant in the Western Sydney LHD as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?
- 5891 SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—
- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff were employed in mental health in the South Western Sydney Local Health District (LHD) as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?

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- (2) How many positions in mental health were vacant in the South Western Sydney LHD as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?
- 5892 MENTAL HEALTH STAFF—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Assistant Minister for Health—
- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff were employed in mental health in the following Local Health Districts (LHD) as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014:
- Western New South Wales;
 - Southern New South Wales;
 - Hunter New England; and
 - Far West?
- (2) How many positions in mental health were vacant in the LHDs in (1) as at 1 June 2013 and 1 June 2014?
- 5893 TRANSPACIFIC LIQUID WASTE TREATMENT PLANT—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, Minister for the Central Coast, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- (1) Will the proposed Parliamentary inquiry into the NSW Environment Protection Authority's (EPA) handling of environmental concerns investigate the lack of response to the hundreds of community complaints against the Lidcombe Liquid Waste Treatment Plant (now Transpacific) over the past 13 years?
- (2) When local residents direct complaints against Transpacific to the EPA's Transpacific liaison officer, as suggested by the EPA, are these complaints logged and tallied as they would if made to the EPA's environmental hotline?
- If not, why not?
- (3) Were the Minister for the Environment, the former Minister, and the EPA consulted regarding the Carter Street Urban Activation Precinct (UAP) development, comprising of 5,000 dwellings for a potential 15,000 residents?
- If so, why did the EPA support the UAP's proposal to construct dwellings inside the buffer zone?
- (4) Does the Minister agree with the suggestion in the Environmental Assessment Report prepared for the Carter Street UAP that by the time any proposed buildings close to the Transpacific facility are built the facility will no longer be located in the precinct?
- If yes, what plans does the Government have for relocation of the facility?
- (5) Will potential buyers of the Carter Street development be advised of the location and proximity of the Transpacific Liquid Waste Treatment Plant, including information regarding the expiry date of the facility, the date and place of relocation of the facility, and the history of emissions generated by the facility's operation?
- If so, how will this information be provided?
- 5894 PARKING FEE REVENUE AT MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How much revenue was generated by parking fees at Mount Druitt Hospital for the year ending 30 June 2014?
- (2) How does this figure compare to each of the previous five years?
- 5895 CARDIAC WARD AT MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Did the Minister claim to have a record budget in her portfolio of Health?
- If so, will the Minister reverse the decision to close the Cardiac Ward at Mount Druitt Hospital?
- 5896 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How many people were transferred to the Mount Druitt Hospital by ambulance from 1 January 2014 to 31 March 2014?
- (2) How do these figures compare for the same period over the past three years?

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- 5897 ELECTRICITY INDUSTRY CONSOLIDATED FUND—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- (1) What was the average dividend paid to the Consolidated Fund from the electricity industry over the past five years?
 - (2) What is the breakdown from all sources of the industry for these amounts?
- 5898 ROOTY HILL RAILWAY STATION EASY ACCESS FACILITIES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- Where in the Budget Papers are the funds to provide the easy access facilities to the Rooty Hill Railway Station?
- 5899 COUNCIL TRAFFIC COMMITTEES—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) What role do Council Traffic Committees (CTC) have in the management of traffic and parking on state and local roads?
 - (2) What literature is available to advise Councils and Council Committee Chairpersons on:
 - (a) The function of CTCs;
 - (b) The responsibilities of CTCs;
 - (c) The role of the Chairman of CTCs;
 - (d) The alternatives available to Councils in dealing with recommendations of their traffic committees; and
 - (e) The procedures to be followed when a Council rejects a decision of its CTC?
 - (3) What role do New South Wales Members of Parliament play in the decision making process of local CTCs?
- 5900 F6 EXTENSION—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) When will the route of the proposed F6 extension be decided?
 - (2) What is the estimated cost of the F6 extension from the Illawarra to the M5 East via the Alford's Point Bridge?
 - (3) Will the Government consider the alternative proposal for the extension put forward by the NRMA that includes a tunnel from Loftus to Sylvania Waters?
- 5901 WOMEN'S REFUGE AND SUPPORT SERVICE CLOSURES—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services—
- (1) What women's refuges, domestic violence support services, and youth support services have been, or will be, closed in the Miranda electorate?
 - (2) What women's refuges, domestic violence support services, and youth support services have been, or will be, closed in the suburbs of Menai, Alford's Point and Illawong?
- 5902 FLYING FOX COLONY AT KAREELA—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 financial assistance has the Minister provided, or intends to provide, to Sutherland Shire Council for the dispersal of the flying fox colony at Kareela?
 - (2) What non-financial assistance or advice has the Minister provided, or intends to provide, to Sutherland Shire Council for the dispersal of the flying fox colony at Kareela?
- 5903 ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT OF SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How much will the Government spend on the expansion of the Accident and Emergency Department of Sutherland Hospital in:
 - (a) 2015-16; and
 - (b) 2016-17?
 - (2) How many extra beds will be added to the Accident and Emergency Department of Sutherland Hospital once the proposed expansion is complete?
 - (3) What new services and facilities will be added to the Sutherland Hospital as a result of the proposed expansion of the health campus?

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- 5904 FREE SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE IN SHELLHARBOUR—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- (1) Will the Government provide funding to conduct a feasibility study to determine whether there is a viable demand to introduce a free shuttle bus service within the City of Shellharbour?
 - (a) If not, why not?
- 5905 NEW BUS SERVICES—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- (1) What is the frequency of the two new bus services, announced in the 2014-15 budget, available to commuters from Flinders to Shellharbour and Dapto to the University of Wollongong?
 - (2) Has a final route and pick-up and drop-off points been determined?
 - (a) If so, what are these details?
 - (b) If not, why have these details not been determined and when will they be finalised?
 - (3) Which transport provider will operate the services?
 - (4) What will be the costs of the services?
 - (5) What will be the price of a ticket for use of these two new bus services?
- 5906 ALBION PARK RAIL BYPASS—Ms Anna Watson to ask 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 much of the \$1 million project allocation for the Albion Park Rail Bypass in the 2014-15 budget will actually be spent in the 2014-15 financial year?
 - (2) What planning works will be completed with this \$1 million allocation?
 - (3) In what year will the planning works associated with the Albion Park Rail bypass be completed?
- 5907 BERRY BYPASS—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Roads and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) What are the contributing factors that have seen the estimated cost of the Berry Bypass project increase from \$510 million to \$580 million?
 - (2) How will the additional \$70 million for the project be obtained from the State Budget?
- 5908 SHELLHARBOUR HOSPITAL—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) In what year will all the planning works associated with Shellharbour Hospital be completed?
 - (2) Will the ambulatory facility planned for Shellharbour Hospital, which was announced as part of the 2014-15 budget, require additional funding before it can commence?
 - (a) What is the cost of the ambulatory facility?
- 5909 CAMPBELLFIELD HOUSE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Which Government department is responsible for the ownership and maintenance of Campbellfield House, Minto?
 - (a) Is this house for sale?
 - (b) What is the current use of this house?
 - (c) What heritage order applies to this house?
 - (2) How would the Government ensure that the heritage value of the house would be maintained, and public access facilitated, if this house were to be sold?
- 5910 SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT ACT 2000—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How many full-time equivalent (FTE) staff employed by the Ministry of Health are able to issue fines under the Smoke-Free Environment Act 2000?
 - (a) At which location are these officers based?
 - (2) How many fines have been issued this year up to 2 July 2014?
 - (a) What was the total monetary value of fines collected in this period?
 - (3) Are environmental health officers employed by individual Local Health Districts (LHD) entitled to enforce the Smoke-Free Environment Act 2000?

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- (4) Are public health units in each LHD required to employ Tobacco Officers?
(a) Are these officers empowered to issue fines to offending individuals under the Act?
- 5911 SYDNEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS NETWORK—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Has the Family Advisory Committee met with the board of the Sydney Children's Hospital Network at any time over the last three years?
(2) Would they agree to meet if requested?
- 5912 CONCESSIONS FOR PENSIONERS AND SENIORS—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—
- (1) What cuts will the Government make to their contribution of the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) agreement on concessions for pensioner and senior concession card holders following the recent cuts in the Federal Budget?
(2) Will the Government increase their contribution to concessions for pensioner and senior concession card holders to account for any cuts made by the Federal Government?
(a) If not, why not?
- 5913 RAYMOND TERRACE GP SUPERCLINIC—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—
- When will the contractors working on the Raymond Terrace GP Superclinic be paid?
- 5914 PUBLIC TRANSPORT CAPACITY—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Hunter—
- What increases will be made to public transport capacity to ensure residents can get on a train at Erskineville, given that Sydney Trains reporting data indicates that train loads at Erskineville reach 161% capacity during the morning peak, and considering the former Minister for Planning and Infrastructure's media release on 28 March 2012 which stated that he would work with the Minister for Transport to increase public transport capacity as new residents moved into the Ashmore Precinct Development?
- 5915 REGIONAL RELOCATION GRANT—Mr Ryan Park to ask 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) Was the Deputy Premier consulted about recent changes to the Regional Relocation Grant that allows someone to be paid \$7,000 to move from Wollongong to Nowra?
(2) What evidence did the Deputy Premier receive that these changes would be beneficial to the Illawarra economy?
(3) Did the Deputy Premier consult with anyone from the Illawarra about this initiative?
(a) If so, who?