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\*2868 FRESH START RECOVERY PROGRAM—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What assessments have been made by the NSW Government of the naltrexone program known as the Fresh Start Recovery Program?
- (2) Are there any plans to match the actions of the Western Australian Government to grant funding for this program?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) At this time subcutaneous naltrexone implants are not registered for any indication in Australia and their use carries significant medico-legal risks for the medical practitioner. No other country with a comparable regulatory framework has registered a naltrexone implant device.

The Ministry of Health notes the findings of a literature review regarding naltrexone implants, published in 2010 by the National Health and Medical Research Council which concludes that naltrexone implants are an experimental product and as such should only be used in the context of a well conducted randomised controlled trial with sufficient sample size, appropriate duration of treatment and follow up, regular robust monitoring, provision of a comprehensive psychological treatment program, and with comparison to current best practice.

The Australian National Council on Drugs believes that given the very limited Australian data and evidence on the efficacy of sustained release naltrexone preparations, their authorised use through the Therapeutic Goods Administration Special Access Scheme is ethically problematic as it puts patients at risk of unknown harms, for an unknown benefit.

\*2870 CUTBACKS TO EDUCATION FUNDING—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Will any school in the electorate of Wallsend have resources to special needs students cut as a result of the Minister's recent announcement of cutbacks to the education funding for public and private schools?
- (2) If so, what schools and what positions will be affected?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) NSW public schools will continue to have access to funds for essential resources for special needs programs and support for students with disabilities and additional learning and support needs - including public schools in the Wallsend electorate.

\*2871 FUNDING FOR NON-GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many non-Government schools in the electorate of Wallsend receive State Government funding?
- (2) What are the names of the schools?
- (3) How will the funding of these schools be affected by proposed alterations to funding of non-Government schools?
- (4) (a) Has the Government carried out an assessment on the impact that these changed funding arrangements will have on the fees parents will have to pay for students attending these schools?  
 (b) If so, what are the findings of this assessment?

Answer—

- (1) 11.
- (2) ASPECT Hunter School, Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College, Holy Cross Primary School, Macquarie College, Margaret Jurd College, Newcastle Waldorf School, Our Lady of Victories Primary School, St Columba's Primary School, St John's Primary School, St Patrick's Primary School, St Pius X High School.
- (3) The Government is working with the non-government sector to ensure that this change can be implemented with the least impact on teaching and learning.
- (4) (a) No. The level of fees set by non-government schools is a matter for the individual schools themselves.

(b) Not applicable.

\*2872 LOSS OF SPECIALIST FUNDING—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

In relation to the Hunter Region of schools:

Which 69 public schools in the Hunter will lose specialist funding under State Government changes and the abolition of the Priority Schools Program?

Answer—

Schools are not losing funding as a result of the Government's decision to discontinue the Priority Schools Program. The total amount of funding allocated to Priority Schools in 2012 will be provided to schools in 2013 as Transitional Equity Funding for socio-economic background.

Schools receiving funding in 2013 have been identified based on their relative socio-economic disadvantage. Some schools have moved on to the list for the first time. Other schools have been retired from the list.

In the Hunter/Central Coast region 20 schools currently participating in the Priority Schools Programs will not receive Transitional Equity Funding for socio-economic background in 2013. They are:

Argenton Public School, Broke Public School, Callaghan College Waratah, Cameron Park School, Carrington Public School, Chertsey Primary School, Edgeworth Heights Public School, Fern Bay Public School, Francis Greenway High School, Glendon School, Glenvale School, Gorokan High School, Hunter River High School, Kotara School, Marks Point Public School, Mayfield East Public School, Merewether Public School, Plattsburg Public School, Swansea Public School, Tighes Hill Public School.

\*2873 JOINT GROUP TRAINING SCHEME—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Why has the Minister abolished the Joint Group Training Scheme under the Government's \$1.7 billion education cuts?
- (2) How much does this scheme cost per year?
- (3) (a) Will the Minister prevent any increase in apprentice fees for small businesses?  
(b) If so, how?
- (4) How will the Minister ensure apprentice uptake in skills shortage areas will not decrease as a result of these cuts?

Answer—

- (1) to (4) The Commonwealth Government traditionally funds labour market programs and provides extensive employment incentives for group training organisations.

In NSW there were almost 169,000 apprentices and trainees in training in 2012. Less than 5 per cent of these (just over 7,900) were employed by Group Training Organisations.

Group training was introduced in the early 1980s to manage apprentice training by rotating them through different workplaces to ensure they gained the full range of skills.

The NSW Government will keep investing in training delivery for apprentices and trainees through TAFE NSW and private training organisations. In 2011 we invested more than \$270 million in training.

Fees paid by apprentices to training providers are reviewed annually. From 1 January 2013 apprentice fees will be \$478.

\*2874 CUTS TO EDUCATION FUNDING—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Will class sizes increase as a result of the Government's \$1.7 billion cuts to the State's education system?
- (2) Will the reduced operating budget result in students having diminished access to essential resources?
- (3) How will the Minister attract students to undertake TAFE courses after he has increased course fees, increased student concessions fees and cut funding from courses?
- (4) How will the Minister address the State's skills shortage?

Answer—

- (1) Teachers in government schools will be quarantined from savings measures being implemented to meet budget requirements. For NSW public schools, the state wide class size policy will continue under Local Schools, Local Decisions. The proposed new Staffing Agreement (recommended by the Teachers Federation's Executive for consideration by its Council in late October 2012) also maintains the class size policy.

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- (2) Schools will continue to have access to funds for essential resources for students.
- (3) TAFE NSW fees for government subsidised enrolments will continue to be lower than fees that are charged in many other States and Territories. TAFE NSW has the most generous fee exemption and concession policy for disadvantaged students compared to other States and Territories.

Courses in Fine Arts including sculpture, visual arts and ceramics, while valued by the community, are areas of low employment growth. These courses will be offered by TAFE NSW on a fee for service basis from 1 January 2013.

TAFE NSW will continue to focus on areas of high skill needs and provide government subsidies to these skill areas. TAFE NSW will continue to promote the high quality, flexibility and value of its courses and services to individuals and employers.

- (4) Through labour market research and industry consultations, we will identify areas which support employment growth and which are vital to the NSW economy. Resources will be strategically allocated to support training in those skills shortage areas.

\*2875 JOINT GROUP TRAINING SCHEME—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Now that the Government has abolished the Joint Group Training Scheme, and therefore discontinued the \$150 incentive to training groups to administer and manage apprentices at the end of this year, how will training groups afford to provide training to apprentices?
- (2) (a) Will this mean an increase in fees for apprentices to undertake training?  
(b) If so, how much?

Answer—

- (1) Funding to registered training organisations for the delivery of training to apprentices and new entrant trainees has not changed and will continue as normal. In 2011 we invested more than \$270 million in training.

The Commonwealth Government traditionally funds labour market programs and provides extensive employment incentives for group training organisations.

In NSW there were almost 169,000 apprentices and trainees in training in 2012. Less than 5 per cent of these (just over 7,900) were employed by Group Training Organisations.

- (2) (a) and (b) The cost of fees will increase from next year and will be kept to a minimum. Fees paid by apprentices to training providers are reviewed annually. From 1 January 2013 apprentice fees will increase from \$436 to \$478.

\*2876 MANDATORY SEATBELTS ON SCHOOL BUSES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) When will the findings of the advisory committee on bus safety, established 18 months ago, be released?
- (2) Will the Minister implement mandatory seatbelts on school buses in response to the tragedy that occurred in Singleton on 10 September 2012?
- (3) Why has industrial traffic been permitted to take over Singleton's road network?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) I was deeply saddened to hear about the incident in Singleton on 10 September 2012.

My deepest sympathy goes out to the young boy's family and friends, classmates, and the Singleton community for their terrible loss. My thoughts are also with all others involved in the accident.

Last year the NSW Government formed the School Bus Safety Community Advisory Committee to independently examine the safe transportation of children in rural and regional NSW.

The committee comprises road safety experts, transport operators and parent and school associations. The committee is independently chaired by Carolyn Walsh, a Commissioner of the Australian Transport Safety Bureau.

I understand the independent committee will be in a position to hand its final report to the Government in the near future.

\*2878 LIVERPOOL COUNCIL ROAD RULES ENFORCEMENT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

- (1) Does Liverpool Council have a discretion in determining whether to enforce the NSW road rules, especially relating to motor vehicles parking on footpaths and nature strips?

- (2) Does the council in such instances have discretion to issue a warning, or must it proceed to the issuing of a notice in every case?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Under Schedule 2 of the Road Transport (General) Regulation 2005, local government council enforcement officers are one of 16 classes of authorised officers that may issue penalty notices for breaches of the Road Rules 2008.
- (2) Enforcement of parking rules and any discretion that may be used by local government enforcement officers in the issuing of warnings are procedural matters contained in the enforcement policies, wholly the responsibility of each local council.

\*2879 CUBIT PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) Is the Attorney General still running and funding the CUBIT Program in NSW Corrective Services?
- (2) How many participants are there currently in the scheme?
- (3) How many participants were there in the scheme as at the following dates?
- (a) 1 May 2011;
- (b) 1 September 2011;
- (c) 1 December 2011;
- (d) 1 May 2012;
- (e) 1 September 2012?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Corrective Services NSW operated CUBIT program is still running and funding for the program has remained constant.
- (2) As at 27 September 2012 there were 42 participants in the program.
- (3) (a) 49
- (b) 51
- (c) 50
- (d) 41
- (e) 35

\*2880 CLASSIFICATION (PUBLICATIONS FILMS AND COMPUTER GAMES) ENFORCEMENT AMENDMENT ACT 2010—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

Since the introduction of the Classification (Publication Films and Computer Games) Enforcement Amendment Act 2010, how many prosecutions have been instituted and against what categories of defendants?

Answer—

I am advised:

According to the latest statistics available from the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research, there have been no charges finalised by the NSW criminal courts under any offence provisions introduced by the Classification (Publication Films and Computer Games) Enforcement Amendment Act 2010 between the commencement of that Act and 30 June 2012.

However, there have been 60 finalised charges, 37 of which were proven, under the Principal Act, the Classification (Publication Films and Computer Games) Enforcement Act 1995, between 1 November 2010 and 30 June 2012.

The NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research has provided the following table, which shows the breakdown of these charges by sections of the Principal Act between 1 November 2010 and 30 June 2012.

	Outcome	Outcome	Outcome
Section and Description	Proven	Other	Total
6(a) - Sell or publicly exhibit film classified RC or X 18+	7	15	22

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6(b) - Sell/exhibit unclassified film later classified RC or X 18+	3	5	8
15(1) - Sell film without container, wrapping or casing having mark	7	0	7
16(1) - Possess unclassified, RC/X 18+ films where classified sold	3	0	3
17(1)(a) - Leave in public/no occupiers permission RC or X 18+ films	0	2	2
18(1)(a) - Possess RC or X 18+ classified film for sale or exhibition	16	1	17
18(1)(b) - Possess unclassified film that would be RC or X 18+ for sale	1	0	1
Total	37	23	60

\*2881 CORRECTIVE SERVICES NSW—EMPLOYEE CONCERNS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) When were concerns relating to Corrective Services employee Pene Te Hira referred by Corrective Services NSW to ICAC?
- (2) When did Corrective Services NSW first become aware of those concerns?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) first notified the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) of concerns regarding Officer Pene Te-Hira on 12 April 2009. CSNSW forwarded further details of concerns regarding Officer Te-Hira to the ICAC on 5 August 2011.
- (2) April 2009.

\*2882 TELEPHONE ADVICE LINE TRIAL—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) When will the trial of the telephone advice line referred to by the Attorney General in answer to a Question on 12 September commence?
- (2) How many solicitors will be retained as part of the trial and for what hours?
- (3) From which police stations will the trial be able to be accessed?
- (4) How much funding has been provided for this trial?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government released the Exposure Draft of the Evidence Amendment (Evidence of Silence) Bill 2012 and is currently considering submissions. The form and cost of providing legal advice will be settled prior to the Bill being introduced into Parliament.

\*2883 GAS BOTTLES AT HOXTON PARK ROAD—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) Have the gas bottles recently reinstated at the BP Service station in Hoxton Park Road, Liverpool near the intersection with Flowerdale Road been inspected by Workcover?
- (2) Do the gas bottles comply with relevant regulations, rules and standards?
- (3) Does their proximity to each other comply with relevant regulations, rules and standards?

Answer—

- (1) Yes, WorkCover's inspected the site on 17 September 2012, when the four replacement cylinders were reinstated. A further inspection was carried out on 27 September 2012.
- (2) WorkCover has been consulting and working with Council and Fire and Rescue NSW to secure compliance with all the relevant regulations, rules and standards.

- (3) WorkCover continues to liaise with the relevant agencies and the owner of the service station to ensure the final location of the gas bottles is compliant with the relevant regulations, rules and standards.

\*2884 M5 SPEED LIMITS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

- (1) Who made the determination to alter the speed limits on the M5 near the Toll Plaza in the vicinity of Moorebank?  
(2) What was the basis for this determination?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) A speed limit assessment was undertaken and determined by Roads and Maritime Services.  
(2) The changes will improve safety for motorists and motorway staff (toll collectors) around the cash lanes and improve the flow of traffic in the electronic toll collection (cashless) lanes.

\*2886 MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNITS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many staff are employed in the Ministerial Liaison Unit of:

- (a) Corrective Services;  
(b) Department of Attorney General and Justice?

Answer—

I am advised:

Fifteen people are employed in the Ministerial Liaison Units of the Department of Attorney General and Justice as follows:

- 10 in Corrective Services NSW (with one person seconded as the Departmental Liaison Officer)
- 5 in the remainder of the Department (Attorney General's Division and Juvenile Justice).

The functions undertaken in Ministerial Liaison Units across the Department vary due to the structure and operational requirements of each division.

\*2888 MIDWIFERY COURSE AT UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Is the Minister aware that University of Wollongong has suspended the 2013 Midwifery course?  
(2) If this has occurred, why was the course terminated?  
(3) What alternative actions has the Minister taken to train midwives in the Illawarra if this course is no longer available?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (3) The Master of Midwifery Course is accredited until 2013. While this is a matter for the education provider, the course was suspended to consider re-accreditation in accordance with the requirements of the Australian Qualifications Framework. Information about these requirements is available at: <http://www.aqf.edu.au/AbouttheAQF/TheAQF/tabid/108/Default.aspx>

The Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District is committed to providing midwifery services which meet the needs of the local community.

\*2889 AUBURN HOSPITAL GRADUATE NURSING PROGRAM—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the new graduate program for nursing at Auburn Hospital for 2013?  
(2) How many positions are available?  
(3) How many applications were received?  
(4) Were interviews for these positions held on 20 August?  
(5) How many positions were filled?  
(6) Are these positions due to start in January 2013, as originally planned?

Answer—



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- (1) to (6) Local Health Districts and Speciality Health Networks employ newly graduated nurses and midwives each year following a state-wide recruitment process. In doing so Districts and Networks consider their local workforce requirements.

Recruitment action is currently underway and will be finalised shortly to allow newly graduated nurses and midwives to commence their careers in NSW Health in early 2013.

\*2890 CEDAR COTTAGE—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regards to Cedar Cottage at Westmead:

- (1) Is the Minister aware of this facility?
- (2) (a) Has the Minister visited this facility?  
(b) If so, when?
- (3) What services are provided?
- (4) How many FTE staff are employed?
- (5) How long has this program been running?
- (6) Is this service still accepting referrals?
- (7) What was the total operating budget for the 2011-12 financial year?
- (8) Will this budget be maintained?
- (9) (a) Are there any changes planned for this service?  
(b) If so, when will these changes occur?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (9) Cedar Cottage provides therapeutic counselling and support services for child victims of sexual assault, their siblings, non-offending parents and extended family, and treatment and intervention services for offending parents who have sexually abused their, or their partner's, children. The program has been running for 23 years, accepting its first clients in July 1989.

The program is accepting referrals for potential clients who were charged with relevant intrafamilial child sexual assault offences prior to 1 September 2012, the date the Pre-Trial Diversion of Offenders Regulation 2005 ceased to have effect.

NSW Health is committed to providing services which will assist children, young people and their families to recover from the harm caused by child sexual assault.

\*2891 CAFE PLATYPUS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the Cafe Platypus at Lurnea High School?
- (2) Will the Minister guarantee that this cafe is safe from any planned funding cuts?

Answer—

- (1) Yes.
- (2) As the Cafe was developed as a student engagement initiative, Priority Schools Program funds were used to partly fund the construction along with contributions from the Intensive English Centre and Support Unit. Tied grants were used to cover the establishment costs.

The Cafe is now self-funded. Students and staff pay for \$2 coffee/tea/hot chocolate. All running costs are covered by this small charge. All improvements and assets within the cafe are also funded by the small cost charged for beverages.

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\*2892 PUBLIC HOUSING DWELLINGS IN MOUNT DRUITT AREA—Mr Richard Amery asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) What is the number of public housing dwellings in each of the following suburbs:
  - (a) Hebersham;
  - (b) Blackett;
  - (c) Dharruk;

- (d) Emerton;
  - (e) Lethbridge Park;
  - (f) Shalvey;
  - (g) Willmot;
  - (h) Bidwill?
- (2) Are most of these premises owned by the Land and Housing Corporation?
- (3) Who are the owners of public housing in the Mount Druitt areas that are not owned by the Land and Housing Corporation?
- (4) In percentage terms, what does each of the above mentioned figure in Question 1 a-h represent in terms of the public/private housing mix in each of the suburbs mentioned?

Answer—

(1) to (3) I am advised that the Land and Housing Corporation is the sole owner of public housing in the suburbs listed. As at 31 August 2012, I am further advised that the Land and Housing Corporation owned a total of 3,334 dwellings in the suburbs of: Hebersham, Blackett, Dharruk, Emerton, Lethbridge Park, Shalvey, Willmot and Bidwill.

(4) The percentage of public housing dwellings in each suburb varies from 10.9% to 67.8%

- 2893 NATIONAL SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 2894 NATIONAL SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2895 NATIONAL SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 2896 NATIONAL SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- \*2897 NATIONAL SPECIFIC PURPOSE PAYMENTS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

With regards to the 2012-13 Budget Paper No. 2, pages 5-14, 6-14 and 6-15, National Specific Purpose Payments of \$7.2 billion:

What specific programs will be funded under "Other" (\$237 million)?

Answer—

I am advised that the amount labelled "Other" in the information on National Specific Purpose Payments and Other Payments to NSW presented in the 2012-13 NSW Budget Paper No. 2 is comprised mostly of a large number of relatively small payments made directly by the Commonwealth to NSW Government entities. The largest single component of this category is recurrent grants and subsidies paid by the Commonwealth directly to Local Health Districts, representing 65% of the total for this category. The remainder is comprised of smaller payments by the Commonwealth across a variety of portfolios, predominantly for recurrent grants and subsidies.

- 2898 ASHBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2899 EDGEWARE SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2900 CAMPSIE PUBLIC SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2901 CANTERBURY GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2902 CANTERBURY SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2903 ST FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2904 ST MICHAELS SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 2905 SUMMER HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2906 YEO PARK INFANTS SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2907 EDUCATION FUNDING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2908 FLUED GAS HEATERS IN ILLAWARRA SCHOOLS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2909 HEALTH FUNDING IN ILLAWARRA SHOALHAVEN LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 2910 PRIORITY SCHOOLS PROGRAM IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2911 PINCH POINTS PROGRAM IN WOLLONGONG—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- \*2912 LYSAGHT OVAL REPORT—Mr Ryan Park asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Has the report into Lysaght Oval been sent to ICAC?
- (2) If so, when was it sent?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- (1) Yes.
- (2) December 2011.
- 2913 SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME FUNDING—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2914 SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME PARTICIPATION—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2915 FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL SERVICES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 2918 FINE ARTS COURSES IN NSW TAFE COLLEGES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- \*2919 DECOMMISSIONED SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- (1) How many speed cameras have been decommissioned in New South Wales since March 2011?
- (2) In relation to (1), were any of the decommissioned speed cameras in the Fairfield Electorate?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- Details regarding the decommissioned fixed speed cameras are available on the RMS website.
- 2920 PUBLIC SCHOOL CLASS SIZES IN FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 2921 PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL CLASS SIZES IN FAIRFIELD ELECTORATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
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- 2922 PUBLIC SCHOOLS INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Education—

\*2923 BETTER FUTURES AND BRIGHTER FUTURES PROGRAMS—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

With regard to Better Futures and Brighter Futures programs:

- (1) What budget was/is allocated to the Better Futures program in:
  - (a) 2010-11;
  - (b) 2011-12;
  - (c) 2012-13?
- (2) What budget was/is allocated to the Brighter Futures program in:
  - (a) 2010-11;
  - (b) 2011-12;
  - (c) 2012-13?

Answer—

- (1) The Better Futures program is administered by the Department of Education and Communities. This question should be re-directed to the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs.
- (2) (a) The total 2010-11 Brighter Futures budget was \$59.6 million.  
(b) The total 2011-12 Brighter Futures budget was \$64.2 million.  
(c) The total 2012-13 Brighter Futures budget is \$67.5 million.

\*2925 PUBLIC HOUSING BUDGET FOR REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

With regard to the public housing budget for repairs and maintenance for public and community housing in the electorate of Cessnock:

- (1) What was the total funding in 2010-11?
- (2) What was the total funding in 2011-12?
- (3) What was the total funding in 2012-13?

Answer—

These questions would be more appropriately directed to the Minister for Finance and Services.

2926 EXPLORATION LICENCE PEL 267—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

\*2927 KURRI KURRI COURT HOUSE—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

With regard to Kurri Kurri Court House:

- (1) How often, each week, does the court sit and consider cases?
- (2) Is this more or less than has historically been the case?
- (3) What factors have led to this change?
- (4) What does the future hold for the frequency of Kurri Kurri Court House sitting and considering cases?

Answer—

I am advised:

Kurri Kurri Local Court is part of the Maitland circuit. In January 2012 sittings at Kurri Kurri Local Court were changed from four days per month to three days per month.

The Chief Magistrate is responsible for determining sitting arrangements of Local Courts throughout NSW. These arrangements are continuously reviewed to ensure the maximum use of judicial resources.

2930 COMMUNITY COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING GROUPS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

2931 SURGICAL WAITING LIST—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

2932 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT WAITING TIMES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 3028 PRISON CLOSURES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
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- 3031 LAND AND HOUSING CORPORATION DWELLINGS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- (1) What is the number of dwellings owned by the Land and Housing Corporation in each of the following suburbs:
- (a) Rooty Hill;
  - (b) Eastern Creek;
  - (c) Plumpton;
  - (d) Glendenning;
  - (e) Hassall Grove?
- (2) In percentage terms, what does each of the abovementioned figure represent with regards to the public/private housing mix for each of the suburbs mentioned?
- 3032 PUBLIC HOUSING—CESSNOCK ELECTORATE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- Do any plans exist to provide additional public housing in the Cessnock electorate?
- 3033 UNDERCLIFFE PUBLIC SCHOOL—FUNDING CUTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—

- (1) How many staff, including those in administrative and support roles, will be cut from Undercliffe Public School as a result of the Government's \$1.7 billion education funding cuts?
- (2) What teaching and curriculum resources will no longer be produced and available to support students at this school?
- (3) Can the Minister guarantee that the \$1.7 billion funding cuts to education will have no impact on the day to day teaching and learning at Undercliffe Public School ?
- 3034 INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS—NORTH RICHMOND—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW, Leader of the House—
- (1) Does the Minister encourage Members of Parliament to meet with local community groups to discuss their concerns about local infrastructure needs?
- (2) Has the Minister met with Bart Bassett MP to discuss infrastructure needed in North Richmond to support the significant population increases as a result of the North Richmond Joint Venture Project?
- (3) Has the Minister advised Bart Bassett MP not to meet with members of the North Richmond and Districts Action Association?
- (4) How does the Minister plan to accommodate the additional traffic movements on the North Richmond Bridge - which is almost at capacity - after the additional 2,000 dwellings proposed in the North Richmond Development Project are complete?
- 3035 COST OF PLANNING REVIEW—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW, Leader of the House—
- (1) What is the cost to date of the Planning Review process?
- (2) Is the consultation process complete or still ongoing?
- 3036 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—
- Has there been any staffing or operational reductions imposed on Campsie Fire Station services?
- 3037 RESPONSE ON THE MINISTERIAL AUDIT OF POLICING RESOURCES—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—
- Has the Minister received a response from the NSW Police Force on the Ministerial Audit of Policing Resources, following the release of the Parsons report, that proposed the restructure of police commands in NSW and recommended the merger of Campsie and Bankstown Police commands?
- 3038 NSW HOMELESSNESS ACTION PLAN 2009-14—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- Is there a commitment by the Government to extend the current agreement, or to develop a replacement agreement, for the approximate 50 projects in NSW which arose out of the NSW Homelessness Action Plan 2009-14, funded through the COAG National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness?
- 3039 MONITORING OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- With 1,000 backroom school staff responsible for monitoring attendance facing job cuts, how will schools prevent students from skipping classes?
- 3040 TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY COURSES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- Given that tourism and hospitality courses have been dropped from Hunter TAFE's Glendale and Wyong campuses, how will the Minister ensure there will not be a shortage of skilled workers in the tourism and hospitality industries?
- 3041 SALE OF GOVERNMENT ASSETS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Which Government-owned assets in the Hunter will be sold?
- (2) How much money will be made by the sale?
- (3) How will that money be used by the Government?
- 3042 HOSPITAL BED WAITING TIMES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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In relation to the current research in the Emergency Medical Australasia Journal which claims that one in twenty NSW patients is delayed more than an hour with paramedics in emergency rooms before they are admitted:

- (1) Will action be taken to tackle this issue?
  - (2) If so, when?
- 3043 HUNTER MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) What is the current level of funding for the Hunter Medical Research Institute at John Hunter Hospital campus?
  - (2) (a) Will the Government demonstrate its commitment by providing ongoing funding for the Hunter Medical Research Institute?  
(b) If so, how much funding will be provided?
- 3044 POLICE VEHICLE NUMBERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- What is the maximum number of general duties police vehicles attached to the Lake Macquarie Local Area Command that are available to respond to call-outs on any one shift?
- 3045 WATER REBATES FOR HUNTER PENSIONERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- (1) Why are water rebates of eligible Sydney pensioners worth more than double those of their Hunter counterparts?
  - (2) (a) Will the Minister address this inequity?  
(b) If so, when?
- 3046 STATE HERITAGE REGISTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) What grants are available for the restoration of State Heritage Register-listed buildings?
  - (2) Why does the Minister consider these grants "meagre" (Newcastle Herald 28 September 2012)?
  - (3) Which buildings on the State Heritage Register are undergoing restoration?
- 3047 HUNTER MENTAL HEALTH STAFF—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
- Given that there have been 21 resignations by medical staff from the Hunter New England mental health service in the past 18 months, what is the Minister doing to ease the workload of medical staff in the Hunter?
- 3048 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) Has the Government received a report from previous Police Integrity Commission Inspector Moss concerning the providing of information and material by a PIC official to the media in relation to the Crime Commission and the PIC Inquiry into the Crime Commission?
  - (2) If so:
    - (a) When was it received?
    - (b) When will it be released?
  - (3) Does any such report recommend criminal prosecution of any person working at the relevant time at the PIC, or any other person?
- 3049 STRIKE FORCE EMBLEM INVESTIGATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- (1) When will legislation be introduced to provide an appropriate legal basis for the Ombudsman to be able to investigate complaints received about Strike Force Emblem, its report and the warrants and phone tapping that it investigated?
  - (2) What extra funding will be allocated to allow the Ombudsman to complete the investigation?
  - (3) (a) Will the Ombudsman be able to retain interstate investigators of criminal matters to conduct the

- investigation?  
(b) If not, why not?
- 3050 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—  
Why was ministerial responsibility for the Police Integrity Commission moved from the Minister for Police to the Premier?
- 3051 IMPACT OF SOCIAL MEDIA ON CRIMINAL TRIAL PROCESS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—  
(1) Has a "working group" been established to examine the impact of social media on the criminal trial process?  
(2) If so:  
(a) When was the group established and who are its members?  
(b) How many times has it met?  
(c) When is it proposed to report?  
(d) Will the group's report be made publically available?
- 3052 NSW TRUSTEE AND GUARDIAN—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—  
What action has been taken in response to the comments of the Auditor-General in his November 2011 Report on Law, Order and Emergency Services concerning the internal control environment of the NSW Trustee and Guardian?
- 3053 EARLY INTERVENTION SYSTEM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—  
When will you restore funding to allow the early intervention system, which has been delayed since May this year, to proceed to deter and detect corrupt Corrective Services officers?
- 3054 CORRECTIVE SERVICES MOTOR VEHICLES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—  
(1) How many motor vehicles are owned by Corrective Services?  
(2) (a) When were motor vehicle registrations for Corrective Services last done?  
(b) When were they due to be done?  
(3) (a) How many Corrective Services motor vehicles were due for registration in October 2012?  
(b) On which dates in October were Corrective Services motor vehicles due for registration?  
(c) Were they renewed for registration before or after the day they were due for registration?
- 3055 24 AND 26 SPEED STREET LIVERPOOL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—  
Does Housing NSW propose to reply substantively to my personal representations dated 13 March 2012 on behalf of Kathleen Fullerton concerning 24 and 26 Speed Street Liverpool?
- 3056 EX SCIA OFFICER—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—  
(1) When ex Specialist Corporate Intelligence Agency (SCIA) officer John Dolan retired, were his separation payments in excess of those payable to other officers of a comparable rate?  
(2) If so:  
(a) By how much?  
(b) Why?
- 3057 ARMIDALE HOSPITAL STAFFING SHORTAGES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—  
With regards to Armidale Hospital's staffing shortages and the Minister's answer given on the same in question time (17 October 2012):  
(1) When were the vacant medical positions at the hospital advertised?

- (2) Where were these advertisements placed?  
(3) When were interviews for these vacant positions held?
- 3058 LOCUM DOCTORS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regards to the minister's statement that one method of cutting the NSW Health budget would be "not relying on locum doctors" (<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2012-09-14/243-billion-squeezed-from-nsw-health-budget/4260814?section=nsw>):
- (1) What was the cost of locum doctors in the 2011-12 budget year for:  
(a) Cooma Hospital;  
(b) Queanbeyan Hospital;  
(c) Maitland Hospital;  
(d) Belmont District;  
(e) Wyong Hospital?
- (2) Will any of these hospitals be left without overnight emergency services?
- 3059 NALTREXONE IMPLANTS FOR TREATMENT OF OPIOID DEPENDENCE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regards to the use of Naltrexone implants for treatment of opioid dependence:  
In light of concerns about their use from the NSW coroner, the refusal of major insurers (such as MIPS and AVANT) to cover such treatment, limited evidence for their effectiveness and the fact that they are not approved for opioid dependence by the therapeutic good administration (TGA), will the minister rule out allocating NSW State Government funds for this treatment?
- 3060 NALTREXONE IMPLANTS FOR TREATMENT OF OPIOID DEPENDENCE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
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- 3061 LAND AT ELLIOTT STREET BALMAIN—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- (1) Who owns the land on which the social housing complex Robert Mahoney Place (Elliott Street Balmain) is situated?  
(2) (a) Is the land title based on a 99-year lease?  
(b) If yes, when does the lease expire?  
(3) Can this land be transferred in the future to another person/entity and used for purposes other than social or affordable housing?
- 3062 ELIGIBILITY FOR PUBLIC HOUSING—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- With respect to the reforms introduced as part of the NSW State Government's "Reshaping Public Housing" platform in 2005:
- (1) (a) Are the reforms still in operation?  
(b) If yes, according to those reforms, what are the grounds for determining someone as ineligible to remain in public housing?  
(2) How many public housing tenants had their eligibility to remain in public housing reviewed in the 2012 financial year?  
(3) How many public housing tenants have had their eligibility to remain in public housing reviewed since the introduction of these reviews (in 2007)?  
(4) For the 2012 financial year, how many public housing tenants were found ineligible on review?  
(5) How many public housing tenants have been found ineligible on review since the introduction of reviews?  
(6) For the 2012 financial year, how many public housing tenancies were terminated due to the tenant

- being found ineligible on review?
- (7) Since the introduction of reviews, how many public housing tenancies have been terminated as a consequence of the tenant being found ineligible on review?
  - (8) Has consideration been given to concerns that the policy of eligibility review is a strong disincentive for tenants to seek employment?
  - (9) Has consideration been given to the possibility of discontinuing the policy of eligibility review?