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\*1189 PUBLIC HOSPITALS IN WESTERN SYDNEY—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) In relation to the building of public hospitals in Western Sydney, in what year did the Federal Labor Government initiate the construction of Westmead Hospital?
- (2) In what year did a State Labor Government initiate the construction of:
  - (a) the current Blacktown Hospital;
  - (b) Mount Druitt Hospital;
  - (c) the current Fairfield Hospital;
  - (d) the original Bankstown Hospital;
  - (e) the current Bankstown Hospital;
  - (f) Liverpool Hospital; and
  - (g) the current Nepean Hospital?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Following a report on Hospitals in Australia completed in April 1974, the Commonwealth Government budgeted for a five-year program of capital assistance to construct public hospitals in outer urban areas. New South Wales was awarded a 'seeding grant' of \$4 million for the establishment of a hospital at Westmead in 1973. The hospital opened in 1978.
- (2) (a) The current Blacktown Hospital was included as a New Work in the 1998/99 Budget papers.
- (b) The need for a hospital at Mount Druitt was first set out in detail in the report "Planning Hospitals for the West of Sydney" December 1975.
- (c) The current Fairfield Hospital was included as a New Work on the 1983/84 Budget papers.
- (d) Planning for Bankstown Hospital began in the early 1950's and the hospital was completed in 1957.
- (e) The current Bankstown Hospital (known as Bankstown/Lidcombe Redevelopment) was included as a New Work in the 1993/94 Budget papers.
- (f) The redevelopment of Liverpool Hospital was included as a New Work in the 1991/92 Budget papers.
- (g) The current Nepean Hospital (Stage 2) was included as a New Work in the 1997/1998 Budget Papers.

\*1199 PUBLIC TRANSPORT—RUGBY LEAGUE GRAND FINAL—Ms Gladys Berejiklian asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

In relation to the 2007 Rugby League Grand Final:

- (1) What public transport options were given to spectators to get to the game?
- (2) What public transport options were given to spectators to get home from the game?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Public transport arrangements for the 2007 NRL Grand Final were advertised in the Sydney metro newspapers, on the CityRail website and via the 131 500 Transport Infoline and website.

\*1201 E10 TASKFORCE—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—

In relation to the E10 Taskforce and the Minister's response to Question No 0212:

- (1) What "technical, economic, environmental, health, marketing, policy, legal and transitional issues" are being considered by the E10 Taskforce?
- (2) When will the final report be released to the public?

Answer—

- (1) The issues being considered by the E10 Taskforce are outlined in its Terms of Reference. These issues are:
  - (a) The sources and adequacy of supplies to meet the requirements of an ethanol mandate;

- (b) The extent to which investment in new infrastructure would be needed in the NSW fuel supply chain;
- (c) The economic costs and benefits of an ethanol mandate on industry and consumers (including the NSW Government);
- (d) The impact of ethanol blends on vehicle operability and performance;
- (e) The environmental and health impacts of ethanol blends;
- (f) The use of public education to improve consumer understanding of ethanol blends;
- (g) The legal issues associated with the introduction of a State-based mandate for the use of ethanol, including the impact of Mutual Recognition legislation; and
- (h) An appropriate timeframe (and ethanol content) for the phase-in of an ethanol mandate.

In examining these issues, the Taskforce is to have regard to the status of other biofuels and alternative fuels such as LPG, CNG, hydrogen, liquid fuels from coal, and electricity.

(2) The final report of the E10 Taskforce will be released to the public in the near future.

\*1203 MACQUARIE-CUDGEGONG WATER SHARING PLAN—Ms Pru Goward asked the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—

How were the requirements in Part 9 Section 48 (4) of the Macquarie-Cudgegong Water Sharing Plan met in the 2006-07 water year before expressions of interest for supplementary water were called by State Water on 9 June?

Answer—

Clause 48 of the Macquarie-Cudgegong Water Sharing Plan (Plan) describes the rules for the taking of water under supplementary water access licences. The specific subclause (4), to which the Member for Goulburn referred, requires certain criteria to be met before such water can be taken.

The first criterion refers to the environmental provisions of Part 3 of the Plan. These provisions apply to environmental water held in, and released from, either Windemere or Burrendong Dams. The flows that occurred in June 2006 were in tributaries downstream of Burrendong Dam so this first criterion was not relevant.

The second criterion relates to the supply of stock and domestic and native title rights. Stock and domestic requirements (basic landholder rights) are met from normal river operations from the two dams. The flows in June 2006 provided enhanced access in some streams but, because of the location of the rainfall the benefits were limited. At this point in time, there are no native title rights within the area covered by the Plan.

The third criterion relates to the supply of higher priority licence requirements. Licences are provided with an allocation from the stored water in Windemere and Burrendong Dams. If there are legitimate orders for water from these licences, then those orders can be supplied from tributary inflows. It must be understood that these tributary inflows cannot create additional allocation to that which has already been announced. It is simply another source from which those allocations can be supplied. In June 2006, at the end of the water year, there were no orders for water downstream of the point of inflows. The fourth criterion relates to the supply of replenishment flows in those streams specified in Clause 59. In June 2006, these requirements were added to the threshold for triggering the consideration of supplementary access.

The next subclause (5) in Clause 48 requires that a flow of at least 5,000 megalitres per day [ML/d] must be achieved at Warren in excess of the requirements of subclause 4 described above. In June 2006, the calculated threshold at Warren was 5,400 ML/d to meet the requirements of the Plan. The flow actually peaked at 8,800 ML/d at Warren.

In this process, the State Water Corporation undertakes the analysis of the flows and makes a recommendation to the Department of Water and Energy. The Department reviews the information and, if it agrees, will then approve the supplementary access on my behalf.

The estimated volume of the articular tributary flow event was 38,000 megalitres [ML], of which 4,600 ML was made available for extraction under supplementary licences. The remaining flow was directed to give the best environmental benefits in accordance with the advice obtained from the Macquarie-Cudgegong Environmental Flows Reference Group established under the Plan.

\*1204 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OF WATER SUPPLY—Ms Pru Goward asked the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

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- (1) Has longwall mining cracked the rocky beds of the Wongawilli Creek, Native Dog Creek and the Waratah Rivulet in the Special Area catchments so that the affected reaches of these streams do not flow in dry conditions when previously regular flows occurred?
- (2) Have Drillhole Swamp, Flat Rock Swamp, Swamp 18 and Swamp 19 in the Special Area catchments been severely damaged by longwall mining?
- (3) Does the interest of the Department of Primary Industries in royalty payments obtained by maximum coal extraction from longwall mining been to the detriment of adequate environmental protection to guarantee on-going supplies of clean drinking water for Sydney and Wollongong for future generations?
- (4) Given the past damage to Special Area catchments, will the Minister allow the Department of Primary Industries to continue to approve mining operations that further damage the ability of catchments to collect, hold and transfer essential water supplies for Sydney and Wollongong?
- (5) Does the Minister for Primary Industries instead support the development of a new regulatory framework for future coal mining in Special Area catchments so that all future damage to swamps and streams is prevented?
- (6) Will the Minister for Primary Industries hold himself accountable for any further loss of water supply security if the inappropriate regulation of coalmining in the Southern Coalfield continues or will you continue to trade off protection of water supply catchments to enhance coal production?
- (7) (a) If the damage to water supply catchments continues, how will the Minister for Primary Industries ensure that the coal industry adequately compensates the Sydney Catchment Authority for the damage, and how can Sydney and Wollongong's most reliable water supply catchments be replaced?  
(b) Does the Minister intend the mining industry to fund another desalination plant?

Answer—

- (1) Longwall mining has had some impact on the surface flow of these creeks. I am advised however that the surface cracking has had no identified impact on either the quality or quantity of drinking water supplied from the Woronora Reservoir. Remediation trials have been carried out to reinstate the water holding capacity of the affected areas.
- (2) It is inconclusive as to whether or not the damage was caused by longwall mining. The cause of damage to the swamps cannot be positively determined.
- (3) No.
- (4) Should mining proposals be deemed to have an unacceptable impact on the environment, the proposal will either be modified or refused.
- (5) An independent inquiry into the impacts of longwall mining in the Southern Coalfield is currently being undertaken. The report from this inquiry will be available in 2008.
- (6) The ultimate goal is to achieve a balance between resource recovery and minimal surface impacts while ensuring that valued natural surface features are not adversely affected.
- (7) (a) There is no damage to water supply catchments that is limiting the provision of water to Sydney or Wollongong.  
(b) No.

\*1205 PURCHASE OF CROWN LAND—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

- (1) On what date did the Department of Lands receive the application to purchase Crown Land Lot 2328 DP 754611 in Young by Allied Grain Storage?
- (2) As Department of Lands staff has informed Mr J White of Allied Grain that there is no concern about the sale of the land to Allied Grain, when will the formal approval for this sale be issued?
- (3) As Allied Grain is unable to make use of its new warehousing facilities on land adjacent to Lot 2328 because they cannot lay connecting sewerage and water services across the Crown land, costing them considerable financial expense, will you assist Allied Grain by speeding the approval of this sale?

Answer—

- (1) An enquiry to purchase lot 2328 DP 754611 was made on behalf of Allied Grain on 24 February 2006. The Department of Lands has completed its investigations and has now invited a formal application to purchase the land.
- (2) My delegate under the Crown Lands Act has given approval in-principle to sell lot 2328 to the adjoining owners.
- (3) I have directed that the sale be expedited once a formal application to purchase is received. In the interim I am prepared to consider a Licence Application to allow sewerage and water services to be

laid across the affected Crown land so that Allied Grain can occupy its warehousing facility while the sale is being finalised.

\*1206 BARTON HIGHWAY—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- (1) How many properties along the route of the Barton Highway Murrumbateman Bypass has the RTA already acquired?
- (2) How many property owners has the RTA contacted, or entered into negotiations, about the purchase of their land?
- (3) What is the projected start date for construction towards which the RTA is working?

Answer—

I am advised:

Barton Highway is part of the Auslink national network.

\$3 million of federal funding has been allocated in 2007/08 for planning of the Barton Highway, ACT to Murrumbateman Bypass.

The RTA has been in discussion with 6 landholders regarding property acquisition for the Murrumbateman Bypass.

The NSW Government looks forward to working cooperatively with the Federal Government regarding timing of construction and funding of the project.

\*1208 NEW LINE ROAD CRASH AND TRAFFIC FLOW DATA—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

When will the RTA provide crash and traffic flow data for New Line Road, Dural, as requested in September and October for the electorate office staff of Hornsby electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information relating to traffic crash statistics is provided annually by the RTA in the publication, Road Traffic Crashes in NSW, which is publicly available on the RTA website at [www.rta.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au)

\*1209 BURST WATER PIPE—CHERRYBROOK—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—

In relation to a burst water pipe (adjacent to 4 Torrens Place, Cherrybrook) which was reported to Sydney Water in mid-April 2007:

- (1) What sequence of dates, times and events led to the solution of this issue?
- (2) How long did Sydney Water take to fix the water loss?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) Sydney Water has advised it renewed the water main in Gumnut Place, Cherrybrook, near Torrens Place, because of the main's poor performance earlier this year.

Prior to this the main had been operating satisfactorily, with maintenance records back to 2001 showing no previous break or leak history.

The performance of the main began to deteriorate in March of this year until it was replaced on 11 October 2007. There were seven reports of a fault. The responses varied from eight days, which included a number of visits to the site before repairs were complete, to three hours to get on site and complete repairs.

Another adjoining section of main in nearby New Line Road, Cherrybrook is also scheduled for renewal during February 2008. Both renewals will total \$240,000.

Sydney Water's Water Main Renewal Program specifically targets poorly performing mains for renewal. During 2006-07 Sydney Water renewed over 140 kilometres of water main at a cost of \$75 million, and expects a similar level of investment this financial year to improve the water supply network.

\*1210 MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT MEETINGS—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

When will the next statewide meetings, arranged by the Ministry of Transport, be held in the northwest

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area of Sydney to address local transport needs?

Answer—

I am advised:

The next round of Regional Planning forums will be held during the first half of 2008.

\*1211 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—FUNDRAISING—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health—

Since the John Hunter Hospital at New Lambton was opened in January 1991:

- (1) What is the total amount of funds raised by the hospital volunteers known as the Kookaburra Carers for the Hospital?
- (2) What has been the annual amounts received by the hospital from:
  - (a) the KC gift shop;
  - (b) other sources?
- (3) In general terms, for what purposes are these funds used?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Through the amalgamation of the Royal Newcastle Hospital's 'Pink Ladies' and the 'Kookaburra Carers' from John Hunter Hospital in 2006, the 'John Hunter Site Carers' was formed. The total amount of funds raised since 1991 by these combined groups is \$2,232,925.65.
- (2) (a) and (b) Data prior to 2003/04 financial year are not available. It is therefore not possible to respond to this specific question.
- (3) The John Hunter Hospital utilises the funds raised by the carers to purchase equipment for the hospital.

\*1217 BURWOOD LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Ms Virginia Judge asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

How many new police officers have joined the Burwood Local Area Command during 2007?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that 35 Probationary Constables have been assigned to Burwood Local Area Command since January 2007. A further 6 Constables have transferred to the Command from other locations during the same period, for a total of 41 officers.

\*1218 MIDDLE EASTERN ORGANISED CRIME SQUAD—Ms Virginia Judge asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

What are the latest results from the Middle Eastern Organised Crime squad?

Answer—

- (1) The NSW Police Force has advised me that in the 9 months to 30 September 2007, the Squad had arrested 396 people and laid 1,069 charges including violence, firearms, traffic, fraud, theft and drug related offences.
- (2) I provided a summary of the key results of the Squad during my appearance before the Budget Estimates Committee on 22 October.

\*1219 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

How much, listed under the heading "Various" in the latest Budget 2007-2008, was allocated to Wagga Wagga and to which project?

Answer—

I am advised:

Information relating to maintenance, infrastructure and road safety expenditure is publicly available in the NSW Budget Papers, in the RTA's Annual Report, in community newsletters and on the RTA's website at [www.rta.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rta.nsw.gov.au).

\*1220 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire asked the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

How much, listed under the heading "Various" in the latest Budget 2007-2008, was allocated to Wagga Wagga and to which project?

Answer—

NSW DPI has advised that \$27,000 has been allocated for new data network equipment, \$10,000 to upgrade of potable water supply and \$6,653,000 allocated for the project "Plantation Establishment-Softwoods Growing Stock" in the Wagga Wagga electorate.

The NSW Food Authority budget allocations for resources and programs are regionally and capability-based, and do not align with electorate-based allocations.

- \*1221 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire asked the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

How much, listed under the heading "Various" in the latest Budget 2007-2008, was allocated to Wagga Wagga and to which project?

Answer—

The Department of Lands has no current plans to spend any of its 2007/8 capital works allocation within the Wagga Wagga area.

- \*1223 GOVERNMENT OVERSEAS POSTINGS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—

- (1) How many people are employed by the NSW Government in overseas postings of four months or longer?
- (2) In which countries are they located?
- (3) How many people are employed in each country?

Answer—

Ministers were advised of New South Wales Government expectations in relation to agency involvement in overseas projects in Premier's Memorandum 2002-03 Guidelines on Overseas Projects, and more recently, in Premier's Memorandum 2006-12 Involvement of the Department of State and Regional Development.

Additionally, Government businesses covered by the Commercial Policy Framework are also to ensure overseas projects are consistent with New South Wales Treasury's Guidelines on Projects of State Significance. Overseas projects are approved by the Minister responsible for the agency.

Details on the information sought can be found in Annual Reports completed by agencies under the Annual Reports (Departments) Act 1985 and Annual Reports (Statutory Bodies) Act 1984 (NSW), which contain both financial and non-financial information on agencies' operational activities. (NSW)

- \*1224 HSC INDONESIAN LANGUAGE EXAM—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

- (1) How many students have sat for the Indonesian language HSC exam in each of the last five years?
- (2) How does the Government rate the importance of teaching the Indonesian language in NSW schools compared to other world languages?

Answer—

(1) There are four Higher School Certificate courses in Indonesian, one for background speakers and three for non-background speakers, being Beginners, Continuers and Extension. The total Higher School Certificate entries for these four courses over the past five years were as follows:

2007 - 239  
2006 - 249  
2005 - 269  
2004 - 275  
2003 - 254

(It should be noted that students who sat the Extension course examination are also represented in the Continuers course entries.)



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(2) The NSW Government encourages and supports languages learning in NSW. Currently there are 59 Higher School Certificate languages courses in 34 languages. Indonesian is a language of regional significance and is well catered for in the New South Wales school curriculum. In addition to the four Higher School Certificate syllabuses, the Board of Studies recently revised the former Years 7 to 10 Indonesian syllabus as a Kindergarten to Year 10 syllabus. The Board has also developed detailed syllabus support materials on CD-ROM for teachers of this syllabus.

\*1225 ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE—Mr Adrian Piccoli asked the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

- (1) What is the waiting time for an Assessment of Environmental Significance to be conducted from the Dubbo office of the department?
- (2) What number of staff would carry out the assessments?
- (3) What geographical area would be covered by staff from this office?
- (4) (a) What applications are currently being processed?  
(b) What is the date the applications were received by the department for the requested assessments?

Answer—

(1) to (4) Now that the assessment criteria have been established and the covenant framework finalised, approximately 660 purchase applications requiring assessment are being processed in order of receipt. These applications date from October 2004 to the present.

(2) There are two staff undertaking assessments for the Dubbo District. Assistance is provided by staff from other districts when available.

(3) The Dubbo District extends to the Western Division boundary on the west, the State border on the north, and includes Tenterfield, Walcha, Quirindi and Lithgow on the east, and Cowra, Grenfell and Condobolin on the south.

\*1226 SICK LEAVE—Mr Adrian Piccoli asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) How many police officers in the Griffith Local Area Command are on sick leave as at 23 October 2007?
- (2) How many of those officers have been on sick leave for more than three months?
- (3) How many have been on sick leave for more than six months?
- (4) How many have been on sick leave for more than 12 months?

Answer—

(1) to (4) Staffing allocations and leave management within a Local Area Command are matters for the Local Area Commander.

\*1227 SPRING WATER EXTRACTION LICENCES—Mr Geoff Provest asked the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—

In relation to the issuing of licences to extract spring water for bottling:

- (1) What is the total number of licences granted for commercial spring water extraction in the electorate of Tweed?
- (2) What is the total volume of spring water extracted under the issue of these licences in the electorate of Tweed?

Answer—

(1) There are 13 groundwater licences in the electorate of Tweed which authorise commercial water abstraction for water bottling with a volumetric allocation totalling 146 megalitres.

(2) 146 megalitres is the total volume that may be legally extracted in any year for water bottling.

\*1229 CIVILIAN STAFFING OF LOCAL AREA COMMANDS—Mr Geoff Provest asked the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

In relation to civilian staffing of the Tweed-Byron Local Area Command (LAC) and as the NSW Government intend to reduce or has begun reducing civilian staffing of LACs across the State by 240 positions:

- (1) How many civilian positions will be lost as a result of this reduction in the Tweed-Byron LAC?
- (2) How many of these civilian positions that are being lost will be replaced by police officers in the Tweed-Byron LAC?

- (3) How many of these civilian positions that are being lost in the Tweed-Byron LAC were already vacant before this decision was made, and how much of the budget for the Tweed-Byron LAC do these unfilled positions represent?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me :

- (1) None.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Not applicable.

- \*1232 RAIL TRANSFORMATION PROGRAM—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

Will your \$10 million Rail Transformation Program examine the fall of nearly 30 per cent in passenger numbers on the Carlingford line since 2001-02?

Answer—

I am advised:

The \$38 million Carlingford Line Passing Loop forms part of the NSW Government's Rail Clearways Program and will also help improve services for families in North Western Sydney.

The project, which involves construction of a train passing loop at Rydalmere Station, will allow the concurrent running of services in both directions on the Carlingford Line and will allow for more flexible and reliable train operations.

This will include greater service frequency between Carlingford and Clyde, with half hourly services throughout the day and improved connections at Clyde.

Planning for the project is scheduled to commence in early 2008, and I am advised that patronage on the Carlingford Line will be considered when drafting future timetables.

- \*1233 BREACHES OF LEVEL 3 WATER RESTRICTIONS—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—

How many people have been fined in Postcode 2154 (Castle Hill) for breaches of Level 3 water restrictions in each of the following years:

- (a) 2003-04?
- (b) 2004-05?
- (c) 2005-06?
- (d) 2006-07?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (a) to (d) Level 3 water restrictions were introduced on 1 June 2005.

Since then, as at 15 November 2007, 55 infringement notices have been issued in the Baulkham Hills Local Government Area and 42 have been issued in the Hornsby Local Government Area.

Sydney Water's data in respect of these figures is not captured on a postcode basis.

- \*1234 BREACHES OF LEVEL 3 WATER RESTRICTIONS—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—

How many people have been fined in Postcode 2118 (Carlingford) for breaches of Level 3 water restrictions in each of the following years:

- (a) 2003-04?
- (b) 2004-05?
- (c) 2005-06?
- (d) 2006-07?

Answer—

I am advised:

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Since then, as at 15 November 2007, 55 infringement notices have been issued in the Baulkham Hills Local Government Area (LGA) and 42 have been issued in the Hornsby LGA, and 54 have been issued in the Parramatta LGA.

Sydney Water's data in respect of these figures is not captured on a postcode basis.

\*1235 BREACHES OF LEVEL 3 WATER RESTRICTIONS—Mr Michael Richardson asked the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—

How many people have been fined in Postcode 2125 (West Pennant Hills) for breaches of Level 3 water restrictions in each of the following years:

- (a) 2003-04?
- (b) 2004-05?
- (c) 2005-06?
- (d) 2006-07?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (a) to (d) Level 3 water restrictions were introduced on 1 June 2005.

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\*1241 PROPOSED M4 EXTENSION—Mr Peter Debnam asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

In relation to the proposed M4 extension:

- (1) When will the discussion paper concerning the M4 extension, announced on 9 October 2007 by the Premier, be released?
- (2) Will possible funding sources be considered in the discussion paper?
- (3) Will the RTA publicly release any previous studies concerning any extension to the M4?

Answer—

As publicly stated, a discussion paper is currently being finalised.

1243 COAL ROYALTIES AND CLEAN COAL TECHNOLOGY—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

\*1244 NURSING STAFF—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) As at 25 October 2007 how many Full Time Equivalent (FTE) staff positions for (a) Registered Nurses and (b) Enrolled Nurses are allocated to the:

- (i) Boorowa Hospital;
- (ii) Cootamundra Hospital;
- (iii) Cowra Hospital;
- (iv) Crookwell Hospital;
- (v) Grenfell MPS;
- (vi) Gundagai Hospital;
- (vii) Murrumburrah Harden Hospital;
- (viii) Yass Hospital;
- (ix) Young Hospital?

- (2) How many of these FTE positions are filled by full time staff?
- (3) How many of these FTE positions are filled by part time or casual nursing staff?
- (4) How many of these FTE positions remain vacant?
- (5) How many of these FTE equivalent positions are currently being advertised?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) At any one time most hospitals operate with a degree of nursing staff vacancies. However, where vacancies exist, temporary qualified staff are employed pending recruitment to these positions. Area Health Services will continue to actively recruit to vacant nursing positions.

The Department of Health routinely provides Statewide workforce data in its Annual Report. Similarly, all Area Health Services publish localised workforce data in their Annual Reports.

\*1245 SCHOOL CROSSINGS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- (1) When will the school 40-kph zones in the Burrinjuck electorate without flashing lights have these installed?  
(2) In what order, school by school, will these flashing lights be installed?

Answer—

I am advised:

On 26 September 2007, the Premier announced a \$46.5 million four-year program to further enhance the safety of students in school zones.

Flashing light technology and electronic alert systems will be installed in a further 400 school zones, comprising the rollout of 100 systems a year over the next four years.

This new technology is reliable, highly visible and doing a good job slowing people down in school zones.

School zones are being selected for the new technology rollout based on risk criteria including traffic and pedestrian volumes, surrounding speed limits and crash history.

\*1246 BREWARRINA AND WALGETT DOCS OFFICES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Community Services—

- (1) How often is the Brewarrina DoCS office staffed by caseworkers?  
(2) What are the operating hours of that office?  
(3) How often is the Walgett DoCS office staffed?  
(4) How many full time equivalent positions are there at the Brewarrina office?  
(5) How many full time equivalent positions are there at the Walgett office?  
(6) Can you confirm that only one DoCS officer is currently filling all of these positions at both offices?  
(7) Do DoCS officers commute between the two offices to maintain a presence at both?  
(8) If so how long has this been occurring?  
(9) What is the travelling time and associated cost between the two offices and does this travelling time detract from the amount of time caseworkers at the offices spend delivering frontline services?

Answer—

- (1) DoCS staff work in Brewarrina four days per week.  
(2) 8:30am to 4:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.  
(3) Walgett Community Services Centre is open from 8:30am to 4:30pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and 12:30pm to 4:30pm on Thursdays.  
(4) Two. Three new caseworker positions will be created in Brewarrina by the end of the financial year under the \$1.2 billion reform of the child protection system.  
(5) Six. Three new caseworker positions will be created in Walgett by the end of the financial year under the \$1.2 billion reform of the child protection system.  
(6) No.  
(7) to (9) Staff travel between many locations in Western Region to deliver a service. Travel is and always has been an essential part of delivering services in Western NSW.

1247 MAINTENANCE WORK PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

\*1248 DOCS HELPLINE—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Community Services—

- (1) How many reports of suspected child abuse or neglect were made to the DoCS Helpline from Postcode 2077, 2079, 2080, 2082 and 2083 for (a) 2002-03, (b) 2003-04, (c) 2004-05, (d) 2005-06 and (e) 2006-07?

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(2) What were the reasons for these reports?

Answer—

Detailed information on reports of suspected child abuse or neglect by the postcode of the caller is not available.

\*1249 HORNSBY HOSPITAL PUBLIC DENTAL CLINIC—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Health—

(1) How many patients have been seen at the Hornsby Hospital Public Dental Clinic in (a) 2000, (b) 2001, (c) 2002, (d) 2003, (e) 2004, (f) 2005 and (g) 2006?

(2) How many of these were children under the age of 16 for each of the above years?

Answer—

I am advised:

The total number of patients (adults and children) seen at the Hornsby Hospital Public Dental Clinic for the years in question is as follows:

2002 - 11,277 patients  
2003 - 12,259 patients  
2004 - 12,507 patients  
2005 - 11,200 patients  
2006 - 12,430 patients

Figures recorded by Oral Health Services for child patients seen are from 0 to 18 years. It is not justifiable to divert resources to breakdown child figures further to the age grouping requested (under 16 years of age) for each of the years in question.

Of note, data for 2000 and 2001 is not readily available nor is a breakdown of data for children seen under the age of 16. The diversion of public resources necessary to establish this data is not justifiable.

\*1250 CALVARY MATER NEWCASTLE HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health—

Since the Calvary Mater Newcastle Hospital opened at Waratah West:

(1) What is the total amount of funds raised by the hospital volunteers for the hospital?

(2) What has been the annual amounts received by the hospital from:

- (a) the Ladies Auxiliary:  
(b) other sources?

(3) In general terms, for what purposes are these funds used?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) to (3) The purpose of fundraising for Calvary Mater Newcastle Hospital is to enhance the hospital's ability to provide care, comfort and research for residents of the Hunter New England Health Service and adjoining areas, mainly in the area of cancer care needs.

\$1.39 million has been raised over the past twelve years by the Mater Auxiliary to purchase equipment. The hospital receives donations from other sources such as clubs, community held events, business, bequests and individuals who often designate oncology services, palliative care or research as their area of donation.

\*1252 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire asked the Minister for Community Services—

How much, listed under the heading "Various" in the latest Budget 2007-2008, was allocated to Wagga Wagga and to which project?

Answer—

It is not clear to what this question refers.

1254 EPPING TO CHATSWOOD RAIL LINK—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

1257 "OBVIOUS OVERSIGHT"—PETER MERCIECA AND LAURA MCHARG—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—

\*1259 MENTAL HEALTH IN NSW—Mr Geoff Provest asked the Minister for Health—

Given the current scheduling of mental health patients in NSW is different to the interim order used in Queensland health system:

Has there been any discussion or planning in terms of rectifying this anomaly by the NSW Department of Health?

Answer—

Questions of detail should be referred to the Minister for Mental Health. In this instance I am advised that:

New South Wales and Queensland have signed an agreement for the transfer of civil mental health patients between States. Under this agreement, certain documents used for the purpose of initial admission for assessment would be recognised in the other State, including the NSW Medical Certificate as to Examination or Observation of Person (schedule).

New South Wales made the necessary Regulation to facilitate the agreement but Queensland is still to do so.

NSW Health officials will continue to meet with Queensland counterparts to endeavour to resolve any issues impeding full operation of the agreement.

\*1260 CROSS-BORDER HEALTH ISSUES—Mr Geoff Provest asked the Minister for Health—

In relation to the Special Cross-Boarder Health Agreement between NSW and Queensland:

- (1) What are the procedures outlined in this agreement?
- (2) What is the total expenditure in the last financial year, and also the year-to-date expenditure for the current financial year?

Answer—

I am advised that:

- (1) The NSW / Queensland cross border agreement covers all public hospital inpatient, emergency, and outpatient services.
- (2) The agreement specifies the timetable for validation of expenditure. As per the agreement schedule, validated data for 2006/07 is not due for exchange until February 2008. Similarly, expenditure for the first quarter of 2007/08 is also not currently available.

1261 REVIEW OF COASTLINE POLICIES—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

1262 MONA VALE POLICE STATION—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

1263 POLICE PRESENCE IN PITTWATER—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

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1264 GENETICALLY ENGINEERED FOOD—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health—

1265 REVESBY TURNBACK FACILITY—Mr Alan Ashton to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

1266 CHATSWOOD COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTRE—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

1267 ADVERTISING EXPENDITURE—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—

1270 DISCHARGING OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Health—

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- 1271 REFURBISHMENT OF CHILDREN'S WARD AT BOWRAL PUBLIC HOSPITAL—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1272 REPLY TO REPRESENTATIONS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—
- 1273 EQUINE INFLUENZA—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1274 BOWNING DEVIATION—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1275 LIVERPOOL DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRES ASSOCIATION—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1276 PROPOSED HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL HERITAGE CONSERVATION AREAS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1277 HORNSBY CYCLEWAYS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1278 SHORELINK PATRONAGE—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1279 HUNTER MEDICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health) —
- 1280 MOREE BYPASS—Mr Kevin Humphries to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1281 TRUANCY RATES—Mr Kevin Humphries to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1282 MAINTENANCE WORK REQUESTS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1283 SUMMER POLICING—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1284 TRANSFER OF SERVICES—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1285 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1286 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1287 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 1288 AMBULANCE COSTS—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1289 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1290 COUNTRYLINK SERVICES FROM TWEED TO CASINO—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1291 TWEED LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

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- 1292 MAINTENANCE WORK REQUESTS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1293 INTER-TIDAL ZONE—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1294 CAULERPA TAXIFOLIA—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1295 INTER-TIDAL ZONE—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—
- 1296 CT AND ULTRASOUND SCANNING—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1297 KILLICK CREEK—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1298 EQUINE INFLUENZA—CASUAL EMPLOYMENT—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1299 PLACEMENT OF AUTISTIC STUDENT—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

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- 1300 REGISTERED CHARITIES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 1301 RFS TANKER CREW SAFETY—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1302 FOREST AND FIRE TRAILS—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1303 MALABAR TO WEST RYDE METRO LINE—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1304 NSW TAXI ADVISORY COUNCIL—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1305 GEOTHERMAL ENERGY GENERATION—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1308 ACCESS VISITS—Mrs Dawn Fardell to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1309 TAFE FEES—Mrs Dawn Fardell to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1310 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE—POLICE TRAINING—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1311 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE POLICING—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1312 CAMPING FEES—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—



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- 1313 NARRABEEN LAGOON CATCHMENT—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—
- 1314 BUS MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE—MONA VALE BUS DEPOT—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1315 BUS MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE—BROOKVALE BUS DEPOT—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1316 MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE—DEE WHY POLICE STATION—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1317 BUS FARES—NORTHERN BEACHES—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1318 MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE—MANLY AND MONA VALE HOSPITALS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1319 GREATER SOUTHERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE RENAL DIALYSIS PROGRAM—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1320 RAIL TRAILS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1321 IMPENDING RETIREMENT OF DIRECTOR GENERAL SHEPHERD—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- \*1322 SEWERAGE CONNECTIONS—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- (1) How many properties in Brooklyn will be connected to sewerage treatment when the new plant commences operation?
  - (2) How many people in properties in Brooklyn will not be connected:
    - (a) due to possession of a sullage system not compulsorily required to connect;
    - (b) due to other reasons, and what are those reasons?
  - (3) How many properties on Dangar Island will be connected to sewerage treatment when the new plant commences operation?
  - (4) How many people in properties on Dangar Island will not be connected:
    - (a) due to possession of a sullage system not compulsorily required to connect;
    - (b) due to other reasons, and what are those reasons?
- Answer—
- (1) A total of 348 properties will be serviced and, of these, 36 are vacant lots. Approximately 99 per cent of property owners, excluding owners of vacant land, have indicated to Sydney Water that they will connect to the sewerage system.
  - (2) (a) and (b) Hornsby Shire Council is the regulatory authority regarding any requirement to connect to the new sewerage system. Therefore, these questions should be referred to the Minister for Local Government.
  - (3) A total of 218 properties will be serviced and, of these, 27 are vacant lots. Approximately 89 per cent of property owners, excluding owners of vacant land, have indicated to Sydney Water that they will connect to the sewerage system.
  - (4) (a) and (b) Hornsby Shire Council is the regulatory authority regarding any requirement to connect to the new sewerage system. Therefore, these questions should be referred to the Minister for Local Government.
- 1323 AMBULANCE SERVICES—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1324 NEW LINE ROAD ACCIDENTS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1326 CAR PARKING REVENUE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health—

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- 1327 REPLY TO REPRESENTATIONS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1328 REPLY TO REPRESENTATIONS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1329 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer), Minister Assisting the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water (Environment)—
- 1330 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 1331 2007-2008 BUDGET—ALLOCATION TO WAGGA WAGGA—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Western Sydney, Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 1332 ROYAL NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1333 AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF HEALTHCARE STANDARDS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1334 AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF HEALTHCARE STANDARDS ACCREDITATION SURVEY—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1335 ROYAL NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1336 ISO 9001: 2000 CERTIFICATION—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1337 AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF HEALTHCARE STANDARDS ACCREDITATION—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1338 TRAFFIC COUNTS—Mr Barry O'Farrell to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1339 WAITARA RAILWAY STATION—Mr Barry O'Farrell to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1340 HOME BUSINESSES—Mr Donald Page to ask the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Minister for Ports and Waterways—
- 1341 MATERNITY UNITS—TWEED ELECTORATE HOSPITALS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1342 ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY ADMISSIONS—TWEED ELECTORATE HOSPITALS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1343 AMBULANCE SERVICES—TWEED ELECTORATE—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1345 PROSPECT WATER FILTRATION PLANT—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1348 ENVIRONMENTAL TAXES—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1349 INCREASED SERVICE LEVELS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1350 PROPOSED NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1351 MONA VALE HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1352 BROKEN BAY WATER POLICE—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

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- 1353 BRISBANIA PUBLIC SCHOOL—TOILET FACILITIES—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1354 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1355 SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1356 DEMOUNTABLES IN NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1357 FIRE STATIONS FUNDING—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—

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- 1358 TRANSACTIONAL SUBSIDIES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1359 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION ASSETS—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1360 GREATER SOUTHERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1361 ELECTRONIC EMPLOYEE LEAVE SYSTEM—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1362 ACCRUED LEAVE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health—
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- 1364 ACCRUED LEAVE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1365 ACCRUED LEAVE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1366 ACCRUED LEAVE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1367 FISHING LICENCE REVENUE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1368 SPIT BRIDGE OPENING TIMES—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1369 MENTAL HEALTH ACCOMMODATION—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 1370 COMPENSATION FOR LEGAL COSTS—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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- 1371 WHITE CITY TENNIS COMPLEX—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1372 STRICKLAND HOUSE—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1373 ETHANOL-BLENDED FUELS—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1374 ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF REDUCTIONS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1375 GREENHOUSE GAS CREDITS—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1376 GOVERNMENT WATER POLICY—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1378 WADALBA COMMUNITY SCHOOL—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1379 FOOD EXPENDITURE—MANLY AND MONA VALE HOSPITALS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1380 MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE—DEE WHY POLICE STATION—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1381 COMPENSATION—STOLEN WAGES—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 1382 CHILD ADMISSIONS TO ADULT PSYCHIATRIC WARDS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1383 ACCIDENT AND EMERGENCY—STAFFING NUMBERS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1384 RESPITE SERVICES—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1385 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1386 SCHOOL FUNDING—WATER SAVING DEVICES—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1387 COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1388 LICENSING PROPOSALS FOR OLDER DRIVERS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1389 LEVEL CROSSINGS—SAFETY UPGRADES—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1390 DEATHS DUE TO ZYPREXA, AROPAX OR RISPERIDONE—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1391 INCIDENTS RELATED TO ZYPREXA, AROPAX OR RISPERIDONE—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1392 40 KPH WARNING LIGHTS—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1393 40 KPH WARNING LIGHTS—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1394 40 KPH SPEED ZONES—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

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- 1395 40 KPH SPEED ZONES—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1396 SPEED INFRINGEMENT NOTICES—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- \*1397 SYDNEY WATER CORPORATION—GRAFFITI REMOVAL—Mr Jonathan O'Dea asked the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- (1) Following reporting, what is the target response time for the removal of graffiti for the Sydney Water Corporation?
  - (2) How does the actual performance compare with the relevant targets set by the Sydney Water Corporation?
- Answer—
- I am advised:
- (1) Graffiti on high visibility sites is targeted for removal within two working days of notification to the graffiti contractor, while graffiti on low visibility sites is targeted for removal within 10 working days.
  - (2) Sydney Water estimates that around 90 per cent of the targets are achieved.
- 1398 GRAFFITI REMOVAL—ASSISTANCE TO COUNCILS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1399 ROADS AND TRAFFIC AUTHORITY—GRAFFITI REMOVAL—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1400 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES—TWEED ELECTORATE—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 1401 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1402 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1403 BLUE-GREEN ALGAL INCIDENT—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
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- 1405 GUIDELINES FOR THREATENED SPECIES ASSESSMENT—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1406 SPEED CAMERAS IN SCHOOL ZONES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1407 FLASHING LIGHTS IN SCHOOL ZONES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1408 OUTSTANDING CORRESPONDENCE—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1409 INSTALLATION OF FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1410 FLASHING LIGHTS IN SCHOOL ZONES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1411 40 KPH SCHOOL ZONES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

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- 1412 FUNDING FOR WATER SAVING DEVICES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1413 SCHOOL FUNDING—WATER SAVING DEVICES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1414 YOUTH ORCHESTRA—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1415 SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Minister for Ports and Waterways—
- 1416 AVALON POLICE STATION—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1417 SCHOOL AIR-COOLING SYSTEMS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1418 SCHOOL BUS ROUTES—Mr John Turner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1419 WATER CHARGES—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1420 REHEARING THRESHHOLD—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for Youth, Minister for Volunteering—

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- 1421 MOUNT PIPER POWER STATION—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1422 BIOENERGY ELECTRICITY GENERATION—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1423 CARBON CAPTURE PILOT PLANT—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1424 HAZARD REDUCTION—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1425 AMBULANCE RESPONSE TIME—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1426 HORNSBY HOSPITAL DENTAL CLINIC—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
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- 1428 PORT HACKING FERRY CHANNELS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1429 NEW SPEED CAMERA—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1430 AQUATIC WEEDS—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1431 SANE COURSE—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Health—

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- 1432 ILLEGAL WATER EXTRACTIONS—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1433 PRISONER FOOD COST—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1434 PUBLIC HOUSING—KU-RING-GAI COUNCIL—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1435 AREA HEALTH SERVICE DIRECTOR—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1436 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1437 FIREARM INCIDENT—TWEED RIVER HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1438 TWEED VALLEY WAY—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1439 CAR PARKING REVENUE—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1440 CAR PARKING REVENUE—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1441 CAR PARKING REVENUE—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1442 ROYAL VOLUNTEER COASTAL PATROL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Minister for Ports and Waterways—
- 1443 BRIDGE WIDENING—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1444 WATER PIPE INFRASTRUCTURE—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—

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- 1445 INVESTIGATION—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services—
- 1446 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1447 2004 ENERGY GREEN PAPER—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1448 RTA ADVERTISING, PROMOTIONAL AND SPONSORSHIP EXPENDITURE—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1449 RENEWABLE ENERGY TARGET SCHEMES—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1450 SYDNEY TO GOULBURN RAIL SERVICE—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1451 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1452 PIPELINE FUNDING—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—

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- 1453 BRISBANIA SCHOOL TOILETS—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1454 NURSE NUMBERS—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1455 CHILDREN AT RISK—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1456 CASEWORKERS IN COWRA—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1457 DISABILITY ACCESS FOR CASUAL EMPLOYEES AT ELECTORATE OFFICES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1458 GRENFELL MULTI-PURPOSE SERVICE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1459 HORNSBY QUARRY—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1460 SOUTH DURAL SERVICE CENTRE—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1461 HORNSBY HOSPITAL ADVERTISEMENTS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1462 PUBLIC HOUSING IN WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1463 SPEED CAMERA REVENUE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1464 STAFF PARKING SPACES—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1465 SUPPORT FOR CYCLING—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1466 GAY HATE CRIMES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1467 WATER CANNONS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1468 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1469 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1470 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1471 PART 3A DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1472 PART 3A DOCUMENTS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1473 FINALISATION OF DRAFT DOCUMENTS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1474 FTE NURSE NUMBERS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1475 FTE NURSE NUMBERS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1476 HOSPITAL BED COUNT—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1477 NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Health—



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\*1478 NARRABEEN LAGOON WALKING TRACK—Mr Rob Stokes asked the Minister for Gaming and Racing, Minister for Sport and Recreation—

What conditions would have to be satisfied for the Government to consent to the completion of the walking track around Narrabeen Lagoon adjacent to the Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation?

Answer—

- (1) The Sydney Academy of Sport and Recreation (the Academy) has cooperated with Warringah and Pittwater Councils in exploring opportunities to complete the pathway around Narrabeen Lagoon. The most recent meeting conducted at the Academy with representatives from both councils on 24 July 2007 resulted in consensus that a public footpath through the activity precinct at the Academy was inappropriate.
- (2) Due to the child-related nature of the residential programs conducted at the Academy, the properties are classified under the Inclosed Lands Act, as are New South Wales schools.
- (3) The Academy will continue to work with Warringah and Pittwater Councils to consider alternatives in the context of its obligations to child protection legislation, client and asset security, and operational imperatives and constraints. Any proposed development within the area of the Academy must consider and address these vital issues. The activity and residential precincts are incompatible with a public footpath.

1479 CARE WORKERS FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Community Services—

1480 TRAIN DELAYS—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

1481 VALUATION OF LANDS ACT—SECTION 35AA—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

1482 RE-LICENSING OF FIREARMS—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

1483 COMPENSATION PAYMENT—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for Youth, Minister for Volunteering—

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1484 ACCREDITED TRANSCRIPTION AGENTS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

1485 RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—

1486 RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

1487 RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—

1488 CORRESPONDENCE TO PREMIER'S OFFICE—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—

1489 ELIGIBILITY TERMINATION PAYMENT—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—

1490 HOME-BASED BUSINESSES—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Minister for Ports and Waterways—

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- 1491 HOME-BASED BUSINESSES—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 1492 HOME-BASED BUSINESSES—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1493 YOUNG DEFENSIVE DRIVER TRAINING—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1494 SECURITY AT ELECTORATE OFFICES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1495 CASEWORKER SHORTAGE IN HUNTER REGION—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1496 HORNSBY HOSPITAL OPERATING THEATRES—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1497 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES NOTIFICATIONS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1498 PEAT ISLAND PATIENTS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1499 CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1500 BURRANEER BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1501 PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1502 SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1503 PSYCHIATRIC HELP—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1504 SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1505 SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1506 NORTH WEST T-WAY—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1507 ADDITIONAL BUS LANES—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1508 448 BUS SERVICE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1509 COMMUTER CONGESTION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1510 PEAK OIL—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—
- 1511 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1512 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1513 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1514 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—
- 1515 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

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- 1516 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1517 GRIFFITH BASE HOSPITAL—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1518 GRIFFITH BASE HOSPITAL STAFFING—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1519 DESIGNATED OFFICERS—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1520 GRIFFITH BASE HOSPITAL INQUIRY—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1521 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1522 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FUNDING—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1523 CHILD SEXUAL ASSAULT ALLEGATIONS—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1524 SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1525 SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1526 SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1527 ROYAL NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL—CLEANING—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1528 COLD CLIMATE PRISONS—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1529 CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1530 VICTIMS COMPENSATION—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1531 CYCLEWAYS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1532 AVALON POLICE STATION—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1533 COMMUNITY SERVICE ORDERS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Western Sydney, Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 1534 IMPEDIMENT TO POLICE—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1535 CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—

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- 1536 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—PATIENT NUMBERS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1537 OFFICE OF STATE RECORDS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

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- 1538 JACKSON BRIDGE—TUMBARUMBA SHIRE—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1539 MANLY SKIFF CLUB RENT—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Minister for Ports and Waterways—
- 1540 OPENING HOURS—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 1541 WEB FILTERING TECHNOLOGY—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1542 SCHOOLS CLEANING SERVICE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1543 FREE WIRELESS SERVICES—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1544 132 BUS SERVICE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1545 JETCAT SERVICE—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1546 MANLY HOSPITAL—MATERNITY SERVICES—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1547 COMMUNITY HOUSING—MENTAL HEALTH ACCOMMODATION—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1548 LANE COVE TUNNEL FILTRATION—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1549 ACCESS TO DADHC SERVICES—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services—
- 1550 BATEMANS MARINE PARK—PERMIT APPLICATION—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1551 REPORT BY DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND ENERGY—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1552 ROADS FUNDING—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1553 ROSE BAY, BONDI BEACH AND WAVERLEY POLICE STATIONS—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1554 BOWRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1555 SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS REGIONAL SHOOTING FACILITY—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1556 WINGECARRIBEE TO GOULBURN WATER PIPELINE—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1557 CHILDREN AT RISK OF HARM—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1558 CHILD AT RISK OF HARM—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1559 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Community Services—

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- 1561 DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING STAFF—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1562 STALL HOLDERS—THE ROCKS MARKET—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1563 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION—OXFORD FALLS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1564 THE ROCKS MARKET—VISITORS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1565 HERITAGE REVIEW—SUBMISSIONS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1566 PLANNING REVIEW—SUBMISSIONS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1567 GRENFELL MEN'S SHED—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1568 TYRA KUEHNE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1569 ROCKFALL AND CLOSURE OF MCELHONE ST WOOLLOOMOOLOO—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1570 BOAT PUMP-OUT FACILITY FAILURE—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1571 HORNSBY HOSPITAL—UNIT FAULTS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1572 SECURITY FENCE—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1573 TRANSIT POLICE—Ms Virginia Judge to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1574 SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1575 NEW CYCLEWAYS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1576 SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL—CLEANING COSTS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1577 ROADWORKS—ADDITIONAL BUS LANE—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1578 40 KPH SPEED LIMIT—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1579 TOURISM REGULATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1580 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Fair Trading, Minister for Youth, Minister for Volunteering—
- 1581 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Minister for Ports and Waterways—
- 1582 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

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- 1583 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1584 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1585 PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADE—BANORA POINT—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1586 BLUESCOPE STEEL—COMPENSATION FOR EMISSION COSTS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—
- 1587 JOINT COMMITTEE ON BIOBANKING—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1588 NORTH WEST T-WAY—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1589 WARATAH RIVULET—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1590 PART 3A GUIDELINES—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- 1591 BUS ACQUISITIONS—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1592 BUS SERVICES—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1593 RYDE HOSPITAL—CLEANING COSTS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1594 ROYAL NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL—NON-MEDICAL STAFF—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1595 AMALGAMATION PROPOSALS—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Local Government, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 1596 WORLD YOUTH DAY—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1597 APPOINTMENT AS DISTRICT COURT JUDGE—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1598 WATERFRONT PROPERTIES—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—
- 1599 AMBULANCE NUMBERS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1600 BUS NUMBERS—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

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- 1601 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL BEDS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1602 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PROPERTIES—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—

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- 1603 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES STAFFING—ALBURY ELECTORATE—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1604 CHILD AT RISK OF HARM—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1605 MACQUARIE GENERATION—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 1606 INTEGRAL ENERGY—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—
- 1607 STATEFLEET—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- 1608 SCHOOL CLOSURES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- 1609 HARDEN MURRUMBURRAH BRIGHTER FUTURES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1610 DEATH OF GEORGIA CHANT—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—
- 1611 HORNSBY HOSPITAL—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—
- 1612 SHORELINK CONTRACT—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- 1613 CHILD PROTECTION REGISTER—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1614 ASSISTANCE TO SMALL BUSINESS—HUNTER REGION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regulatory Reform, Minister for Ports and Waterways—
- 1615 NATURE TOURISM CAMPAIGN—HUNTER REGION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1616 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- 1617 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- 1618 STAFF NUMBERS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services—
- 1619 DENTAL CARE—TWEED HOSPITAL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health—
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- 1720 WORKCHOICES—COURT COSTS—Mr Jonathan O'Dea to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—
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- 1722 PUBLIC LIBRARY FUNDING—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- 1723 SPEED CAMERA—SEXTON HILL—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
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- 1738 FERRY 10 TICKETS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- (1) How many "Ferry 10" tickets are sold to commuters each year?
  - (2) Is there a time limit as to when these tickets have to be used by the purchaser?
  - (3) What are the benefits to ferry commuters of the Ferry 10 ticket?
  - (4) Is the Department considering similar tickets for bus and rail commuters?
- 1739 RURAL SCHOOLS—ALBURY ELECTORATE—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- What is the minimum student enrolment to maintain the operation of rural public schools? Are any one-teacher schools in the Albury electorate being considered for closure?
- 1740 RESPITE CENTRE – ALBURY—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services—
- (1) What is the location of the house purchased as a centre-based respite facility for adults in Albury?
  - (2) What was the cost of purchase and when did it take place?
  - (3) When will the facility open?
  - (4) How much is being spent on refurbishment of the House?
  - (5) What modifications are being undertaken?
- 1741 YARRAWONGA-MULWALA BRIDGE—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- (1) What planning is being undertaken to identify the preferred option for a new Yarrowonga-Mulwala bridge to replace the weir bridge which is scheduled for closure in 2020?
  - (2) What is the funding time-line for construction of the new bridge?
- 1742 PUBLIC SECTOR REDEPLOYMENT PROGRAM—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Premier, Minister for Citizenship—
- (1) What is the average length of time spent on the public sector redeployment program?
  - (2) How many people who were part of the redeployment program were then paid a redundancy in the 2005-06 and 2006-07 financial years?
  - (3) What was the amount paid to employees on the redeployment program in the 2005-06 and 2006-07 financial years?
- 1743 SHARED CORPORATE SERVICES—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- What specific changes have been made, and what direct financial savings make up the \$269 million in shared corporate services savings?
- 1744 GOVERNOR MACQUARIE TOWER RENT REVIEW—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- What legal costs have been incurred in the 2005 and 2007 Governor Macquarie Tower rent review?

- 1745 DENTAL THERAPISTS—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) Is the Government considering introducing legislation to allow dental therapists to work in private practices?
  - (2) If so, when is the Bill likely to be introduced in Parliament?
- 1746 TREE PRUNING—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities—
- (1) What policy is followed by contractors employed to prune trees that are in close proximity to powerlines?
  - (2) Will the Minister provide a copy of this policy?
  - (3) What measures are in place to ensure a minimum environmental impact is caused by those who undertake this work?
- 1747 "DROP-OFF-AND-GO, PICK-UP-AND-GO" PROGRAM—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- How many schools have taken up the "Drop-off-and-go, Pick-up-and-go" program?
- 1748 SYDNEY AIRPORT—TAXATION ASSESSMENT—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- (1) What legal and accounting advice underpins the \$424 million taxation assessment for Sydney Airport?
  - (2) Will the Treasurer provide a copy of the advice?
- 1749 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE STAFF—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- (1) How many staff in the Department of Commerce were employed through a recruitment agency in the last financial year?
  - (2) What was the total amount in commission paid to recruitment agencies by the Department of Commerce in the 2006-07 and 2005-06 financial years?
- 1750 BUS ROUTES—LATE RUNNING—Mr Mike Baird to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- Will the Minister provide details on how often the following bus routes ran behind schedule in the last financial year?
- E65, E70, L88, E68, E71?
- 1751 BULL STREET APARTMENTS—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- Regarding the future of Housing Department owned bed sit style apartments at Bull Street, Mayfield:
- (1) How many residents currently reside at the Bull Street Apartments?
  - (2) How many apartments have to date been boarded up as part of the Department's initiative to no longer relocate tenants to this site?
  - (3) What is the current time frame for the closure of this site?
- 1752 PUBLIC HOUSING—RAYMOND TERRACE—Mr Craig Baumann to ask the Minister for Housing, Minister for Tourism—
- (1) How many vacant public houses are currently in Raymond Terrace?
  - (2) How many public houses in Raymond Terrace are scheduled for demolition in the next 12 months?
  - (3) How many clients are currently on the waiting list for public housing at the Raymond Terrace Department of Housing Office as at 28 November 2007?
  - (4) How many clients were accorded priority housing in the 12 months ending 28 November 2007?
  - (5) What is the average waiting period for priority housing applicants in the Port Stephens region?
- 1753 CHATSWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

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When will the Minister provide much needed capital works funding to Chatswood Primary School, given the number of students at the school and the Government's plans for an additional 500 residential apartments above the railway line in Chatswood, in close proximity to the school?

- 1754 ARTARMON STATION—"EASY ACCESS"—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—

When will Artarmon Railway Station be given "Easy Access"?

- 1755 REGIONAL HOSPITAL—BEGA VALLEY SHIRE—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) Has Treasury approved the new regional hospital in the Bega Valley Shire?
- (2) Will the Minister respond to concerns of residents in the southern part of the Bega Valley Shire about the location of the facility?
- (3) Is the Minister aware of comments made on ABC South East by the Member for Monaro about the hospital?

- 1756 VICTORIA CREEK—NEW ROUTE AND BRIDGE—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

- (1) In light of geotechnical and environmental studies being conducted by the RTA at Victoria Creek south of Narooma, will the Minister commit the funds to construct the new route and bridge at Victoria Creek?
- (2) How long until the project is completed?

- 1757 ENERGY DIRECTIONS GREEN PAPER—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

In relation to the NSW "Energy Directions Green Paper":

- (1) What is the Minister's response to the statement about the role of "renewable and low emission technologies" in New South Wales:

"Although widespread in many other countries, these technologies currently do not make a significant contribution to energy production in New South Wales" (NSW Energy Directions Green Paper, p. 21)?

- (2) What is the Minister's response to the statement:

"However, in the case of solar, there are also other benefits because the higher solar incidence correlates well with daily peaks. The highest levels of production occur when demand is highest" (p. 21)?

- (3) What is the Minister's response to the statement:

"Renewable and low emission technologies have an important contribution to make to meeting New South Wales electricity demand. In the long term, their potential could be enormous" (p. 21)?

- 1758 STATE INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—

In relation to the State Infrastructure Strategy: New South Wales 2006-07 to 2015-16 and the Minister's responses to QON 0116 and QON 0989:

- (1) Given that a "statistical analysis" was conducted on a number of "major construction projects" and that each have "a total cost over one million dollars", what was the name of each project analysed?
- (2) What was the "original approved budget" for each project analysed?
- (3) What is the "current predicted or actual final cost" for each project analysed?

- 1759 NORTH-RHEIN WESTPHALIA MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Water Utilities representing the Minister for Primary Industries, Minister for Energy, Minister for Mineral Resources, and Minister for State Development—

In relation to the Inter-Departmental Committee on the North-Rhein Westphalia Memorandum of Understanding and the Minister's responses to Questions 0260 and 1119:

- (1) Given that the inter-Departmental Committee on the North-Rhein Memorandum of Understanding "have met representatives from the NRW Government five times in Sydney", which committee

- members, public servants, parliamentary members, or other representatives of the NSW Government have undertaken international travel related to the work of the Inter-Departmental Committee?
- (2) When was the travel undertaken in each case and what was the cost of the travel in each case?
  - (3) What were the "Valuable contacts between researchers and companies in NSW and NRW, in the areas of clean coal research and renewable energy"?
  - (4) What "joint research and demonstration projects" are "ongoing"?
- 1760 OIL AND PETROL PRICES—NSW BUDGET—Mr Peter Debnam to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- In relation to the NSW Budget:
- (1) Are oil or petrol prices included in assumptions in formulating the NSW Budget?
  - (2) If so, what are the assumptions?
- 1761 CANCELLATION OF ELECTIVE SURGERY—Ms Pru Goward to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) What is the Health Department's policy on the cancellation of an elective surgery procedure?
  - (2) What time frame does the Minister consider appropriate when a procedure is to be cancelled?
  - (3) Are there provisions to refund expenses to patients who travel some distance to have an operation and stay the night in a motel to present to the hospital at the required time only to have the operation cancelled at the last minute?
- 1762 FLASHING LIGHTS FOR SCHOOL CROSSINGS—Mr Chris Hartcher to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- (1) Which schools in Gosford City are listed to receive flashing lights at school road crossings over the next three years?
  - (2) How many traffic accidents are recorded as having taken place outside schools in Gosford City in 2005 and 2006?
- 1763 GRAFFITI REPAIRS TO BUSES—MONA VALE DEPOT—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- What has been the cost of graffiti repairs to buses at Mona Vale Depot in each of the last 5 years?
- 1764 GRAFFITI REPAIRS TO BUSES—BROOKVALE DEPOT—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—
- What has been the cost of graffiti repairs to buses at Brookvale depot in each of the last 5 years?
- 1765 CONDITION OF ROADS IN WAKEHURST ELECTORATE—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- (1) What surveys have been undertaken of roads in the Wakehurst electorate in the last 5 years?
  - (2) Have any roads been identified as in urgent need of repair due to dangerous conditions?
- 1766 WHEELER HEIGHTS SCHOOL—HALL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—
- Given the promise to build a hall at Wheeler Heights School during the current term of Government:
- (1) What will the building cost?
  - (2) When will preliminary plans be presented to the school community?
  - (3) When will construction commence?
- 1767 OVERTIME FOR DETECTIVES—NORTHERN BEACHES LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- What was the total cost of overtime for detectives at the Northern Beaches Local Area Command in each of the last 5 years?
- 1768 NORTHERN BEACHES LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- (1) When will the Minister visit the Northern Beaches Local Area Command?
  - (2) Will the Minister commence planning for an upgrade to the Northern Beaches Local Area Command Station at Dee Why?



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- 1769 NURSING VACANCIES – MONA VALE HOSPITAL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Health—  
What number of nursing vacancies were there at Mona Vale Hospital in each month of the last 12 months?
- 1770 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES—MANLY HOSPITAL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Health—  
What has been the cost per patient of providing mental health services at Manly Hospital in each of the last 5 years?
- 1771 DEEP CREEK BRIDGE—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—  
When will Deep Creek Bridge be widened to allow safe pedestrian and bicycle usage?
- 1772 UNANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Health—  
Why has the Minister not answered my correspondence 07A080 dated 18 January 2007, addressed to the Minister for Health on behalf of Mrs C Croker of Yass regarding complaints about the actions of certain Greater Southern Area Health staff?
- 1773 HOME CARE SERVICE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services—  
(1) Why has Mrs ADU Noyes of Cootamundra been refused home garden maintenance assistance even though she is entitled to assistance under the Home Care Service?  
(2) Will the Minister confirm advice that Mrs Noyes has received from staff at the Cootamundra Community Health Service that the NSW Government has not made any funding available for home garden maintenance in Cootamundra?
- 1774 SUPERNANNY HOTLINE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Community Services—  
(1) On what date did the Supernanny Parent Help Hotline extend its service to 24 hours a day?  
(2) How many total calls has the Supernanny Parent Help Hotline received outside of the hours of 9.00 am to 4.30 pm Monday to Saturday?
- 1775 HORNSBY HOSPITAL FOOD—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Health—  
(1) What is the type of food service provision for patients at Hornsby Hospital?  
(2) Where is the food prepared?  
(3) Are there any extra food/drinks for unexpected needs e.g. late admission patients?
- 1776 CHANGES TO SOUND BARRIERS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance—  
(1) What are the specific changes to the sound barriers along rail routes in association with the Hornsby Clearway Project?  
(2) Will the extensions be built along the rail line reaching the Clarke Road Bridge, Hornsby?
- 1777 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES ACCOMMODATION—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Community Services—  
How many Department of Community Services accommodation units/houses/duplexes etc. are present in the Hornsby electorate (by type and suburb)?How many are occupied?If unoccupied, what is the reason?
- 1778 INFRASTRUCTURE—WALLSEND ELECTORATE—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—  
(1) How much money was spent on infrastructure in the Wallsend electorate in 2006/07?  
(2) What projects was this money spent on?
- 1779 MENTAL HEALTH FACILITIES—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Health—  
In the Sutherland Shire Local government Area there are a number of mental health facilities:  
(1) What are they?  
(2) Where are they located?

- (3) What is their function?  
(4) How many clients/patients are either in-patients or treated at these facilities?
- 1780 REFERRAL OF DEATH TO HCCC—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1) On what date did Ms Heather Gray, CEO of Greater Southern Area Health Service, or her agent, refer the death of Mr Geoff Turton of Wagga Wagga for independent investigation by the Health Care Complaints Commission?  
(2) Will you provide a copy of the referral for the family's benefit?  
(3) When was the family informed of Ms Grey's actions regarding the referral to the Health Care Complaints Commission?
- 1781 HYBRID MOTOR VEHICLES—NSW—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- How many hybrid (petrol and electric) powered motor vehicles were registered in NSW in each of the years 2001 to 2006 inclusive?
- 1782 POLICE EXEMPTIONS FOR JURY SERVICE—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—
- How many applications were made to the Minister for exemptions for police officers from jury service in each of the following years:
- (1) 2001 2006 (inclusive)?  
(2) How many of these applications were granted?
- 1783 CRITERIA FOR SPEED CAMERAS—Mr Donald Page to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- (1) What are the criteria for the placement of fixed speed cameras in NSW in relation to:  
(a) speed; and  
(b) accidents?  
(2) As site conditions such as sight distance, proximity to adequate power supply, accessibility for construction and positioning in relation to the direction of the majority of crashes are also considered, what other site conditions are relevant?  
(3) (a) Will the Minister supply me with a copy of all the above criteria?  
(b) If not, why not?
- 1784 QLD/NSW CROSS-BORDER AMBULANCE SERVICES—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health—
- Given that a media release dated 2 November 2006 from the former NSW Health Minister stated that the NSW Government would "pay for NSW pensioners billed by the Queensland Ambulance Service for emergency ambulance transport" and would "seek to recover the full costs of transporting Queensland residents using NSW ambulance services from the Queensland government":
- (1) Since the inception of this policy, what is the number of times:  
(a) the Queensland Ambulance Service transported a NSW patient to the Accident & Emergency section of the Tweed Heads Hospital;  
(b) the NSW Ambulance Services transported Queensland residents to NSW and Queensland hospitals?  
(2) What is the number of NSW pensioners that have submitted claims for ambulance transport rebates as a result of using the Queensland Ambulance Service, since the inception of this policy?  
(3) What is the dollar value of the rebates supplied in response to (2)?
- 1785 RADIATION THERAPY—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Science and Medical Research, Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer), Minister Assisting the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water (Environment)—
- In relation to public radiation therapy in the Tweed:
- (1) Is there currently a review being undertaken in terms of radiation therapy in NSW?  
(2) If yes:  
(a) When will this review be completed?  
(b) When will the findings of this review be made available to the public?

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- (c) Will the Minister ensure that the review takes into account the significant population growth within the Tweed and the pressures that this place on public radiation therapy in Tweed Hospitals?
- (3) What is the number of registered cancer patients that have received or are currently undergoing treatment at the Tweed Heads Hospital during:
- 2005;
  - 2006;
  - 2007 year-to-day?
- 1786 HOSPITAL BEDS IN THE TWEED—Mr Geoff Provest to ask the Minister for Health—
- Given that the Minister has advised that the term 'Access Levelling' "is not used by NSW Health or the North Coast Area Health Service" and that the correct terminology is "Access Block":
- What is the current "Access Block" waiting time within the Emergency Department of the Tweed Heads Hospital?
  - In comparison to other NSW public hospitals, how does the Tweed Hospital compare in terms of "Access Block" waiting times?
  - What is the frequency of occurrence and the average period of time for when the Queensland Ambulance service has been placed on redirection NSW hospitals, for the 12-month period ending November 2007?
- 1787 AIR SERVICES AUSTRALIA SITE—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- Given the number of threatened species and Aboriginal sites existing in the former Air Services Australia site in Cranebrook, how much of the site does the Minister intend to allow to be developed?
  - Would the Minister allow the biobanking system to be used to permit the development of red flag areas on this site?
- 1788 AIRSERVICES AUSTRALIA SITE—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—
- Why was Penrith Council not informed that the former AirServices Australia site at Cranebrook was under consideration for addition to the Metropolitan Development Program?
- 1789 DAM SECURITY COMMITTEE—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—
- Given that the Dam Safety Committee requires dam managers to consider five security factors in their Surveillance Report reviews and Emergency Plans, why does the DSC only require a one sentence statement that security has, or has not, been adequately reviewed?
  - How does the DSC know that every category of potential adversaries, vulnerabilities, attack consequences, security adequacy and the value of extra security has been considered?
  - What happens when a surveillance report says the dam manager has not adequately reviewed security?
  - Where and when has this type of non-conformance occurred since September 2001?
  - What penalties exist for non-conformance?
  - Why have these security requirements not been updated or strengthened since September 2006?
  - How has security been improved at Warragamba Dam since September 11, 2001?
- 1790 HYBRID MOTOR VEHICLES—HUNTERS HILL—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- How many hybrid motor vehicles are/have been registered in the Hunters Hill Local Government Area for each of the years 2003-2006 inclusive?
- 1791 HYBRID MOTOR VEHICLES—LANE COVE—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—
- How many hybrid motor vehicles are/have been registered in the Lane Cove Local Government Area for each of the years 2003 2006 inclusive?
- 1792 HYBRID MOTOR VEHICLES—RYDE—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Roads, and Minister for Commerce—

How many hybrid motor vehicles are/have been registered in the Ryde Local Government Area for each of the years 2003-2006 inclusive?

1793 RADIOTHERAPY TREATMENT WAITING LISTS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—

How many people were waiting for radiotherapy treatment as of 30 September 2007 in:

- (1) Sydney South West Area Health Service;
- (2) Sydney West Area Health Service;
- (3) Northern Sydney Central Coast Area Health Service;
- (4) South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Area Health Service;
- (5) Greater Western Area Health Service;
- (6) Greater Southern Area Health Service;
- (7) Hunter New England Area Health Service;
- (8) North Coast Area Health Service?

1794 RADIOTHERAPY TRAINING POSITIONS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many radiotherapy training positions have been funded for each calendar year from 2003 to present?
- (2) How many radiotherapy training positions will be funded in 2008?

1795 PATHOLOGY TRAINING POSITIONS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many pathology training positions have been funded for each calendar year from 2003 to present?
- (2) How many pathology training positions will be funded in 2008?

1796 FTE NURSE NUMBERS IN THE HUNTER NEW ENGLAND AREA HEALTH SERVICE—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—

As at 30 June in 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 how many FTE nurses in the Hunter New England Area Health Service payroll (excluding agency nurses) were working at the following hospitals:

- (1) Armidale;
- (2) Belmont;
- (3) Bingara District;
- (4) Calvary Mater Newcastle;
- (5) Cessnock;
- (6) Glen Innes;
- (7) Kurri Kurri;
- (8) Inverell;
- (9) John Hunter;
- (10) Maitland;
- (11) Manning;
- (12) Moree;
- (13) Muswellbrook District;
- (14) Narrabri;
- (15) Scott Memorial, Scone;
- (16) Singleton;
- (17) Tamworth;
- (18) Wee Waa District?

1797 FTE NURSE NUMBERS IN THE GREATER SOUTHERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—

As at 30 June in 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007 how many FTE nurses in the Greater Southern Area Health Service payroll (excluding agency nurses) were working at:

- (1) Albury Base Hospital;
- (2) Barham Koondrook Soldiers Memorial Hospital;
- (3) Bateman's Bay District Hospital;
- (4) Batlow District Hospital;
- (5) Bega District Hospital;
- (6) Berrigan War Memorial Hospital;
- (7) Bombala Hospital;

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- (8) Braidwood Multi-purpose Service;  
 (9) Coolamon-Ganmain Health Service;  
 (10) Cooma Hospital & Health Service;  
 (11) Cootamundra Hospital;  
 (12) Corowa Hospital;  
 (13) Crookwell District Hospital;  
 (14) Culcairn Health Service;  
 (15) Deniliquin Hospital;  
 (16) Finley Hospital;  
 (17) Goulburn Health Service;  
 (18) Griffith Base Hospital;  
 (19) Gundagai District Hospital;  
 (20) Hay Hospital;  
 (21) Henty Hospital;  
 (22) Hillston District Hospital;  
 (23) Holbrook District Hospital;  
 (24) Jerilderie Health Service;  
 (25) Junee District Hospital;  
 (26) Leeton District Hospital;  
 (27) Lockhart and District Hospital;  
 (28) Mercy Hospital;  
 (29) Moruya District Hospital;  
 (30) Murrumburrah-Harden District Hospital;  
 (31) Narrandera District Hospital;  
 (32) Pambula District Hospital;  
 (33) Queanbeyan Hospital;  
 (34) St John of God Hospital;  
 (35) Temora & District Hospital;  
 (36) Tocumwal Hospital;  
 (37) Tumut Hospital;  
 (38) Wagga Wagga Base Hospital;  
 (39) West Wyalong Hospital;  
 (40) Yass District Hospital;  
 (41) Young District Hospital?
- 1798 AGED CARE ASSESSMENT TEAM—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Health—  
 How many people are in the Aged Care Assessment Team at Royal North Shore Hospital?
- 1799 AUDIO AND AUDIO VISUAL TRAINING—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—  
 What proportion of staff in the:  
 (a) Local Court;  
 (b) District Court; and  
 (c) Supreme Court;  
 have been trained to operate audio and audio visual links for use in those courts in the years 2003/4; 2004/5; 2005/6; 2006/7?
- 1800 DNA EXAMINATIONS—Mr Greg Smith to ask the Minister for Police, Minister for the Illawarra—  
 (1) How many items were lodged by police for DNA examination by forensic biologists in 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07?  
 (2) What was the average turn around time for DNA examination of items in 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07?  
 (3) How many forensic biologists and support staff were employed for DNA examination of items in 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07?
- 1801 PROPOSED SAND MINING—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for the Arts—

Is the Government investigating or considering any proposals for sand mining in Pittwater or Warringah Local Government Areas that have been proposed or submitted by any person or entity, including non-government entities?

1802 AVALON SAILING CLUB FEES—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

On what basis has the Department of Lands calculated rental or licence fees payable by Avalon Sailing Club at Clareville?

1803 ADMINISTRATION OF WETLAND LEASES—Mr Rob Stokes to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water representing the Minister for Lands, Minister for Rural Affairs, Minister for Regional Development—

How much revenue did the Department of Lands gain from administering its wetland leases in 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07?

1804 BORE LICENCES—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Climate Change Environment and Water—

- (1) Are there any bore licences available in the Hunter-Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority and in particular are there any bore licences available in the Tinonee area?
- (2) If so, what type of bore licences?
- (3) If so, what restrictions might be on the bore licences?
- (4) If so, what is the cost of such a licence?

1805 “PLAN - IT” YOUTH PROGRAM—Mr John Turner to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Transport, Minister for Finance representing the Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance—

- (1) Is the "Plan - it" Youth Program co-ordinated by the Department of Education?
- (2) If so, were volunteers involved in the program?
- (3) Has the program been terminated?
- (4) If so, why?
- (5) If so, were volunteers notified in writing of the termination of the program?
- (6) If so, were the volunteers thanked in writing for:
  - (a) undertaking the TAFE course necessary to be a volunteer in the program;
  - (b) agreeing to a police check to be eligible to be a volunteer in the program;
  - (c) the hours of voluntary service to the program over the past 3 years?
- (7) If not, why not?