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(Paper No. 7)

*0103 WRIT TO LEVY PROPERTY—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) In what specific locations in NSW does the Office of the Sheriff store seized and removed goods following the execution of a Writ to Levy Property?
- (2) (a) Were such goods ever stored in a location in the Hunter region?
(b) If yes, is this location still used by the Office of the Sheriff to store seized and removed goods?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1)

- Albury
- Batemans Bay
- Blacktown
- Broken Hill
- Coffs Harbour
- Dubbo
- Lismore
- Newcastle
- Nowra
- Orange
- Queanbeyan
- Tamworth
- Wagga Wagga.

(2) (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

*0104 TUMUT HOSPITAL REDEVELOPMENT—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What are the Minister's plans for the future redevelopment of Tumut Hospital?
- (2) What services will be enhanced?
- (3) What renal dialysis services will be provided?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) to (3) The Government is currently undertaking a review of health capital infrastructure.

The specific timing and scope of hospital projects will be announced after the budget process is completed in September 2011.

*0106 SYDNEY FRESH FOOD SUPPLY—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

- (1) Has the Government earmarked land in the Sydney basin that is used for food production to be replaced with suburban development in the next 20 years?
- (2) Does the Government plan to earmark land not being used for food production for conversion to fruit and vegetable farms to serve the Sydney community?
- (3) To what extent is the Government committed to retaining Sydney's food bowl?

Answer—

- (1) The former Labor Government established the Growth Centres which do include some agricultural land used for food production.
- (2) The Government will be reviewing the Metropolitan Strategy and will consider land use issues including food production.
- (3) The Government is very aware of the issue and is working to achieve the appropriate balance of residential/industrial land production and agricultural sustainability.

*0109 TRANS FAT—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Given the Australian Consumers' Association exposure of "trans fat" in processed foods and reported adverse health impacts including heart disease, diabetes, inflammatory reactions, and in-utero brain development:

- (1) Will the Government push for mandatory labelling of trans fat content in all prepared foods?
- (2) Will the Government work with Foods Standards Australia New Zealand to have trans fat included in all food labelling?
- (3) How will the Government ensure that food manufacturers use processing techniques that minimise trans fat content?
- (4) What action will the Government take to ensure that education about food and nutrition in schools and health services covers trans fat?
- (5) What action will the Government take to ensure that all food sold in Government outlets and for all Government contracts has minimal trans fat content and is labelled for consumer protection?

Answer—

- (1) to (5) Food manufacturers are required to comply with the standards set out in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code, including providing labelling for trans fat on food products for which a claim is made about the saturated fat and trans fat content.

The NSW submission to the recent review of food labelling law and policy (the Blewett Review) by an independent panel established by the Australia and New Zealand Food Regulation Ministerial Council, called for priority consideration of labelling options in the area of fast foods and trans fats.

Recommendation 13 of the final report of the Blewett Review calls for the mandatory declaration of all trans fatty acids above an agreed threshold in the Nutrition Information Panel if manufactured trans fatty acids have not been phased out by January 2013.

Acknowledging that there are limited opportunities in the food regulatory system to ensure food manufacturers use processing techniques that minimise trans fat content in food products, the NSW Government will continue to advocate to Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) in regard to the labelling of trans fats.

The NSW Department of Health will seek advice from the NSW Department of Finance and Services with regard to Government contracts and healthier options being made available at NSW Government outlets. The NSW Government will also work with stakeholders, such as the National Heart Foundation, to advocate for product change within the food industry to improve the food supply.

The NSW School Canteen Strategy and the development of consistent state-wide food service and nutrition standards for public hospitals are two NSW Health initiatives that support the implementation of national dietary guidelines in schools and health services.

Amendments made in 2010 to the NSW Food Act 2003 require that certain standard menu food display kilojoule and average adult daily energy intake information by 1 February 2012 and also require that an evaluation report be undertaken. This report is scheduled for tabling by 1 February 2013 and will include consideration of whether this requirement should be expanded to cover fat and salt information.

The NSW Department of Health will continue to actively promote the national dietary guidelines developed by the National Health and Medical Research Council throughout the community, including school and health services.

The NSW Department of Health advises that, in population terms, if consumers follow these broad guidelines for healthy eating, they will minimise the amount of trans fat and saturated fat in their diets.

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(Paper No. 8)

*0111 CONTROL OF NOXIOUS WEEDS—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) What is the estimated cost to agriculture for lost production arising from the presence of noxious weeds?

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- (2) How much has the Government contributed by way of funds to the control of noxious weeds for each of the past 16 years?
(3) Will the Minister ensure that funding for noxious weed control will be maintained in real terms each year the Coalition is in office?

Answer—

- (1) I have been advised that the estimated cost of weeds to agricultural production in Australia is well over \$4 billion a year excluding impacts on biodiversity, landscape, tourism, water and other assets or industry. These estimates are conservative and are in need of review.
(2) Funding amounts allocated to noxious weeds for the past 16 years can be found in the Department's Annual Reports.
(3) The NSW Government is committed to the management of Noxious Weeds in NSW. Weeds are having a devastating impact both lost production and in degradation of natural areas.

The Government's election commitment is to provide an additional \$6 million to address noxious weeds.

*0114 JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTRES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

As at 1 May 2011, how many young people were detained in each of the juvenile justice centres in the State?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 1 May 2011, the following number of young people were in juvenile detention centres:

Acmena 39
Baxter 101
Cobham 60
Emu Plains 24
Juniperina 24
Orana 41
Reiby 48
Riverina 26

This includes young people both on remand and on control orders.

Source: DAG/JJ SIS 28 May 11.

*0115 JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTRES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

From 27 March 2011 until 11 May 2011, how many:

- (a) escapes;
(b) incorrect releases;

have there been from juvenile justice centres in the State?

Answer—

I am advised:

From 27 March 2011 until 11 May 2011, there were no escapes or incorrect releases from juvenile justice centres in the State.

Source: DAG/JJ RPELive. Extracted 19 May 11. As this is taken from a live database, figures are subject to change.

*0116 JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTRES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

From 27 March 2011 until 26 April 2011, how many young people were admitted to juvenile justice centres in the State?

Answer—

I am advised:

From 27 March 2011 until 26 April 2011, 535 young people were admitted to juvenile justice centres in the State.

This includes young people both on remand and on control orders.

Source: DAG/IJ SIS 14 May 11.

0117 LOCAL HEALTH NETWORKS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*0120 SOUTH SEA ISLANDERS—Ms Clover Moore asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

With regard to the then Premier's 1995 Memorandum to Ministers (95-42) calling for all NSW Government agencies to take action to ensure that NSW Government agencies provided adequate programs and services to South Sea Islanders originally brought to Queensland between 1863 and 1904:

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the numbers of South Sea Islanders, their location and their needs?
- (2) How has the Government considered the specific needs of this community since 1994 when they were identified as a distinct ethnic group separate from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples?
- (3) What support services has the Government provided since this Memorandum was issued?
- (4) What liaison has occurred with the Australian South Sea Islanders Port Jackson group, and what work done on the group's strategic plan?
- (5) What further action does the Government propose?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government respects the different linguistic, religious, racial and ethnic backgrounds of all NSW residents and their basic right to practise and maintain their heritage. The Community Relations Commission and Principles of Multiculturalism Act 2000 sets out principles of multiculturalism which must be observed by all agencies in conducting their affairs.

Over the past three years, NSW Health has established a number of health promotion/early intervention initiatives and programs in Western Sydney which are aimed at, and attended by, both the Pacific Islander and the South Sea Islander communities. The programs cover Healthy eating habits, Nutrition, Diabetes, Parenting, Family evenings incorporating good parenting strategies, and the SHAPE program (a lifestyle, health and fitness program).

For over six years, NSW Health has had a permanent designated position focusing on Islander communities, including the South Sea Islander community, in Western Sydney, particularly those in the Blacktown and Mt Druitt areas. The position occupant has a specific role in working with families from Islander communities, including the aged, and in liaising with community leaders, church leaders and community organisations. The position also supports projects including a regular Islander Senior citizens Group, and work to address the health needs of the Tokelauan community.

The NSW Government has also contributed a number of initiatives to raise awareness about the history and culture of the South Sea Islander community and its important contribution to the development of the State. This has included a research partnership between the community, the Powerhouse Museum's NSW Migration Heritage Centre, and the Tweed Shire Council, to record the history of the Tweed River's South Sea Islander and Sikh communities working in the sugar cane farming and banana growing industries.

The Community Relations Commission, which aims to promote multiculturalism and equal rights and responsibilities for all residents of NSW, has included the Australian South Sea Islanders Port Jackson Group on its database to ensure that the organisation receives all relevant information and invitations.

*0122 PUBLIC HOUSING PROPERTIES—GLEBE ESTATE—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) How many public housing properties located in the Glebe Estate have been sold in the past 10 years?
- (2) What is the address and date of sale for each public housing property in the Glebe Estate that has been sold in the last ten years?

Answer—

Housing NSW sells a small proportion of its total number of properties each year. Independent market valuations are used to set prices for disposal and properties are generally sold by public auction. All proceeds from the sale of properties are re-invested into providing housing assistance.

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In the past 10 years 38 properties have been sold in the Glebe Estate.

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- 0124 MILK PRICE WAR—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 0125 GLENDALE TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0126 FUNDING FOR STUDENTS WITH A PHYSICAL OR INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0127 WORK EXPERIENCE FOR STUDENTS WITH A PHYSICAL OR INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0128 FUNDING FOR RESPITE CARE SERVICES—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0130 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—
- 0131 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0132 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0133 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0134 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0135 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- *0136 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

- (1) What are the Minister's priorities for the electorate of Keira over the next 12 months?
(2) What are the Minister's priorities for the broader Illawarra region over the next 12 months?

Answer—

(1) and (2) The NSW Government has a 100 Day Action Plan.

We will begin to deliver our priorities and commitments based on our Five Point Action Plan:

1. Rebuild the Economy - we will rebuild a strong NSW economy through lower taxes and supporting businesses to grow and create jobs;
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5. Protect our Local Environment and Communities - we will protect local environments, work with communities and return planning powers to the people.

The NSW Government's first priority for the State is unashamedly restoring economic growth and establishing NSW as the first place in Australia to do business. The dividends of strong economic management are better services and infrastructure. Whether in transport, health, disability, homelessness, regional development or any other area of State Government responsibility, improved outcomes can only be delivered from a strong bottom line.

On 6 September 2011 the NSW Government will hand down the budget for 2011-12 to deliver stability, growth and ensure that our priorities will be funded.

- 0137 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0138 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Tourism Major Events Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- *0140 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

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- 0141 MAIN ROAD 92—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0142 COMPENSATION FOR LOCAL COUNCILS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0143 TRUNDLE MULTI PURPOSE SERVICE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0144 SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY LOCAL HEALTH NETWORK—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0145 TOMAREE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0146 RENAL DIALYSIS—KEMPSEY DISTRICT HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0147 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0148 RAYMOND TERRACE HEALTHONE CLINIC—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0149 NELSON BAY AMBULANCE STATION—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0150 NEW PARENT AND INFANT NETWORK—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0151 ULTIMO/PYRMONT BUSES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0152 ADULT COMMUNITY EDUCATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0153 ADULT LITERACY—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0154 COMPANY TITLE DISPUTES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0155 REPORT FROM INFORMATION COMMISSIONER—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0156 PREVENTING VIOLENCE AGAINST GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER PEOPLE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0157 NATIONAL DISABILITY INSURANCE SCHEME—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0158 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PADDINGTON/DARLINGHURST—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

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(Paper No. 11)

- 0159 MOUNT DRUITT POLICE STATION—AUTHORISED STRENGTH—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0160 KINGSGROVE POLICE STATION REFURBISHMENT—Ms Cherie Burton to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0161 HURSTVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL—ADDITIONAL CLASSROOMS—Ms Cherie Burton to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0162 ALLAWAH BRIDGE WIDENING—Ms Cherie Burton to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0163 ST GEORGE HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT—Ms Cherie Burton to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0164 HUNTER REGION RESPITE SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0165 JOHN PAGET—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0166 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 0167 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0168 POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0169 NATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS REWARD PAYMENTS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

0170 NATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS REWARD PAYMENTS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

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(Paper No. 12)

0171 NUMBER PLATE RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0172 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0173 INGLEBURN POLICE STATION—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0174 TIGERS DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

0175 1300 HOUSING PHONE NUMBER—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

0176 WORLD CLASS EXHIBITION CENTRE—Mr John Robertson to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

0177 SYDNEY DESALINATION PLANT—Mr John Robertson to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

0178 100 DAY PLAN—Mr John Robertson to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

0179 SOBERING UP CENTRES—Mr John Robertson to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

0180 GRAFFITI CRACKDOWN—Mr John Robertson to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

0181 HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Mr John Robertson to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

0182 NORTH WEST RAIL LINK—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—

0183 INTEGRATED TRANSPORT AUTHORITY—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—

0184 MYZONE TICKETING SYSTEM—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—

0185 EXPRESS SERVICES FROM WESTERN SYDNEY AND THE CENTRAL COAST—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—

0186 LITERACY AND NUMERACY ACTION PLAN—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Education—

0187 INCREASE IN BED AND NURSE NUMBERS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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(Paper No. 13)

0188 SHALVEY POLICE CITIZENS YOUTH CLUB—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0189 CALLAGHAN COLLEGE WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 0190 MULTIPLE TRIP RAIL TICKET—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0191 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0192 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- *0193 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

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- 0194 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0196 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
- 0197 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- 0198 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 0199 KEIRA ELECTORATE AND BROADER ILLAWARRA REGION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0200 COAL SEAM GAS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- *0201 COAL SEAM GAS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- (1) In relation to current coal seam gas exploration activities in the northern Illawarra region, where is the water that is extracted from the bores during this process stored?
 - (2) In relation to the current exploration activities by APEX Energy NL in the northern Illawarra, is APEX Energy NL able to conduct hydraulic fracturing under their current development application for the A116 and A119 bores?
 - (3) What is the status of the Illawarra Coal Measures Project and is this or has this project carried out seismic testing or drilling in the area?

Answer—

(1) to (3) This question should be directed to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW.

0202 COAL SEAM GAS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

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(Paper No. 14)

0203 WESTERN SYDNEY ACADEMY OF SPORT—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

0204 NO COST TO CONSUMER DENTAL SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0205 NURSE PRACTITIONERS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0206 METHADONE DISPENSERS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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(Paper No. 15)

0207 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT ENHANCEMENT—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0208 BUS SERVICE BETWEEN MATRAVILLE AND MAROUBRA JUNCTION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Transport—

0209 PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE AT BANKSIA STREET, BOTANY—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

0210 INCENTIVE TRANSFER SCHEME FOR TEACHERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

0211 FUNDS FOR FACILITIES AT BRAYE PARK—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

0212 SEWERAGE CONNECTION TO WEST HOXTON—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

0213 BUS SERVICE FROM CARNES HILL VIA PRESTONS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport—

0214 LOW SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS SCHOOL COMMUNITIES NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

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(Paper No. 16)

0215 MOUNT DRUITT RAILWAY STATION—TICKET SALES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport—

0216 TRANSFER OF HOUSING NSW STAFF—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

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- 0217 TRANSFER OF HOUSING NSW ASSETS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0218 NEWCASTLE AND LAKE MACQUARIE CITY COUNCILS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—
- 0219 CARING TOGETHER—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0220 PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE—NEPEAN HIGH SCHOOL—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0221 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

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- 0222 BUS INTERCHANGE—MOUNT DRUITT RAILWAY STATION—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport—
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- 0234 STAFF BASED IN WOLLONGONG LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA BOUNDARY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
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- 0239 INTERSECTIONS WITH MOST RECORDED ACCIDENTS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- (1) Does the Roads and Traffic Authority keep records of the most accident-prone intersections in the State?
 - (2) What are the five intersections with the most recorded accidents in the Mount Druitt electorate?
- 0240 SHORT-TERM "PAY DAY" LENDING—Mr Bryan Doyle to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- How many complaints have there been to Fair Trading regarding short-term "pay day" lending in the Campbelltown electorate?
- 0241 NO INTEREST LOANS SCHEMES—Mr Lee Evans to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- How much funding has been given to No Interest Loans Schemes (NILS) in the Heathcote electorate?
- 0242 CHILDREN TRANSFERRED FROM JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- In the six months July to December 2010:
- (1) How many children presented to the John Hunter Emergency Department?
 - (2) How many children needing after-hours emergency surgery were transferred from John Hunter Hospital to Sydney for surgery, and then back to the John Hunter Hospital for post-operative care?
 - (3) Were any adverse outcomes recorded?
- 0243 BREACH OF NON-PUBLICATION ORDER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- What is your justification for breaching the non-publication order made by Deputy State Coroner MacMahon on 18 October 2010 concerning a death at St Leonards on 12 March 2008 when you tabled a report under section 23 of the Coroner's Act on 27 May 2011?
- 0244 CRIMINAL CHARGES OR INDICTMENTS NOT BE PROCEEDED WITH—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Did the Crime Commission request, seek or submit to the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions that criminal charges or indictments against James Kinch not be proceeded with?
 - (2) If so:
 - (a) when was that request or submission made;
 - (b) who was the author of that request or submission;
 - (c) what was the response;
 - (d) when was the response?
- 0245 REPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING PLUMBING ISSUES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- (1) Has the Minister received representations from Mohamed Ahmad dated 25 May 2011, as the owner of premises in Ashcroft, concerning plumbing issues caused by contractors retained by Housing NSW?
 - (2) If so, what is the Minister's response?
- 0246 COFFS HARBOUR DISTRICT HOSPITAL—VACANT POSITIONS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- (1) For the month of May 2011, how many vacant positions were there in Coffs Harbour District Hospital?
 - (2) Which departments had vacancies?
 - (3) Are these being filled by casual staff?
 - (4) Are there any "above establishment" positions being filled by long-term casual staff?
- 0247 SOLAR PANEL INSTALLATION COMPLAINTS—Mr Dominic Perrottet to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- How many complaints have there been to Fair Trading about solar panel installation safety concerns in the Castle Hill electorate?
- 0248 SKILLED MIGRANT AND REFUGEE MENTORING PROGRAMMES—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) Does funding for the Skilled Migrant Mentoring Programme and the Refugee Mentoring Programme conducted by the Sydney Community College cease at the end of the year?
 - (2) What arrangements will the Government put in place to ensure that skilled migrants and refugees in NSW can still access the important services these programmes provide?
 - (3) Will the Government guarantee replacement funding to continue these programmes?
- 0249 FUNDING FOR FINANCIAL COUNSELLING SERVICES—Mr Darren Webber to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- How much funding has been given to provide financial counselling services in the Wyong electorate?
- 0250 HOME BUILDING WARRANTY COMPLAINTS—Mr Ray Williams to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- How many complaints have there been regarding Home Building Warranty issues in the Hawkesbury electorate?