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*0477 AMBULANCE BLOCK—WOLLONGONG HOSPITAL—Ms Noreen Hay asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What are the Minister's intentions in relation to the problem of ambulance block at Wollongong Hospital?
- (2) Why has the Government not fixed this problem as promised in the lead up to the recent State election?
- (3) What is the Government's response to the Health Services Union's criticism of the Minister's failure to keep this promise?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (3) Wollongong Hospital is currently experiencing high levels of demand both in the number of presentations and the complexity of those presentations.

During busy periods, Emergency Department staff execute a specialist escalation plan to minimise waiting times for both patients and ambulances. Staff work in close consultation with their Ambulance Service colleagues to ensure that patients are seen and treated as soon as possible. Patients that are most seriously ill are always treated as a priority.

Wollongong Hospital has in place a winter bed strategy and dedicated Patient Flow teams work around the clock to facilitate timely access.

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District is in regular discussion with the Ambulance Service regarding initiatives to improve patient offload times and hospital staff work closely with an Ambulance Liaison Officer to minimise waits and collaboratively work through the issues.

*0482 COST OF BOTTLED WATER—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Given the Minister's statement that \$1 million per year is spent by NSW hospitals on bottled water:

- (1) What was the actual statewide cost of bottled water for the financial year 2009-10?
- (2) How was this figure calculated?
- (3) If no actual figure is known, how was this figure calculated?
- (4) Which area health service (AHS) had the highest cost?
- (5) Which AHS spent the least?
- (6) What measures has the Minister taken to reduce this cost?
- (7) How effective have these measures been?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (7) On average, NSW Health hospitals use 3 million bottles of water per annum. Bottled water is supplied under a statewide contract managed by the State Contracts Control Board, via the Department of Services, Technology and Administration. Under the statewide contract there are a number of bottled water suppliers who can provide hospitals with water that is safe and of a high quality. To be awarded a contract, companies must offer value for money, accommodate the complex needs of a hospital environment, and meet stringent quality standards.

In 2010 the health system spent approximately \$860, 000 on bottled water products.

It is a matter for each Local Health District or hospital to choose whether they wish to have bottled water included in their food service delivery - there is variation across the state. I have asked that Local Health Districts consider reducing use of bottled water, and Local Health Districts, in consultation with Health Support Services, are currently reviewing bottled water utilisation.

*0483 FIRSTNET COMPUTER SYSTEM—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to FirstNet computer system is use in emergency departments and your previous comment "If the system cannot deliver what is required by our hospitals then work would need to begin on looking for an alternative" (press release 7 March 2011):

- (1) Does the minister have any plans to halt the roll-out of the FirstNet system?
- (2) Is there any alternative system being considered?
- (3) Does the "Emergency wait times" website depend on FirstNet being used?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) Prior to the election I made a commitment to have an independent review undertaken of the FirstNet computer system used in NSW Emergency Departments. Deloitte Consulting has performed the independent review, overseen by a Steering Committee chaired by a clinician, and including two Emergency Department directors and an experienced Emergency Department nurse manager. The terms of reference for the review included scope for determining whether or not the application was fit for purpose and a response to that question is expected in the review report.

The review report is currently under consideration by the Department of Health.

The Emergency Wait Time website extracts real time data from all electronic Emergency Department systems in use across NSW Emergency Departments, of which there are multiple different software applications in use state-wide, including First Net.

*0485 PAYMENT OF STATE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to the Government's policy to require State Government accounts "to be paid within 30 days and to allow penalty interest to be automatically charged if this deadline is not met":

- (1) Will this policy be introduced for NSW Health as part of the 2011-12 NSW Budget?
- (2) If not, when will the Minister introduce this policy for NSW Health?
- (3) Has Treasury estimated a possible annual cost to NSW Health if this measure were to be introduced?

Answer—

I am advised that:

(1) and (2) NSW Health is implementing the Government's policy to pay small businesses in accordance with the requirements of the NSW Treasury Circular issued on 14 July 2011.

(3) NSW Health intends to comply with the policy and pay small businesses within the terms specified in the NSW Treasury Circular.

*0486 SURGICAL WAITING LISTS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

In regards to hospital surgical waiting lists and your previous statements that "A NSW Liberals and Nationals Government is committed to a health system that is accountable and puts patients first":

- (1) Is the minister prepared to introduce an independent open state-wide inquiry into hospital surgical waiting lists, as she has previously requested?
- (2) Where are the actual numbers for patients on surgical waiting lists publicly available?
- (3) Will the minister ensure that all hospital surgical waiting list numbers, grouped by individual hospital and classification, as she has previously requested, are released publicly within 30 days of the end of the month?
- (4) When will the figures for April/May/June/July and August 2011 be released?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (4) A taskforce has been appointed to look at unmet demand for surgery. In addition to this, the independent Bureau of Health Information (BHI) is responsible for publishing performance results for the NSW Health system - including surgical performance results. The BHI determines the content and frequency of publication of its reports. All of this information is available at www.bhi.nsw.gov.au

*0487 BACKGROUND CHECKS ON DOCTORS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

In regard to background checks on doctors:

When does the Minister plan to introduce her promised legislation to make it legally mandatory for area health services to conduct background checks on new doctors in public hospitals, meaning that an employer who fails to check a doctor's background will be guilty of a criminal offence, with offenders punished appropriately?

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Answer—

I have had a longstanding commitment to ensuring that adequate systems for making sure proper background checks occur on medical practitioners before they are allowed to work in NSW public hospitals.

The circumstances in which Graeme Reeves was allowed to work as a visiting medical officer in obstetrics in Bega Hospital, despite Medical Board conditions restricting him from practising as an obstetrician, must never be allowed to be repeated.

One significant recent change in the governance arrangements of health professionals was the introduction last year of a system of national registration of health professionals throughout Australia.

I therefore intend to raise this matter at a national level, with the intention of seeking to progress a nationally consistent approach to ensuring that health services are obligated to conduct appropriate background checks on new doctors working in public health systems.

*0488 HOSPITAL PERFORMANCES—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

In regards to your previous commitment to publish "full, honest and regular reports to show how our hospitals are performing" (press release 19 August 2010). This would include publishing "information about health service management including budget allocations, spending, medical errors, infections and other patient outcomes" (press release 15 June 2009) and that "patients have every right to have access to this kind of information so they can make their own informed decisions about where they go for surgery and treatment" (press release 29 June 2008):

- (1) What websites does the minister plan to release these reports on?
- (2) Will these reports be available in both hard copy and on the Internet?
- (3) What data are currently being shown?
- (4) Will the infection rates be published by individual hospital ward level, as previously indicated by the Minister?
- (5) Apart from the emergency waiting times site, what other "new" data (i.e. introduced by your office for public viewing since the election) is going to be shown?
- (6) How will this information differ from the data currently being released by the Bureau of Health Information (BOHI)?
- (7) How soon after the end of each month will these reports be released?

Answer—

- (1) to (7) As part of the National Health Reform Agreement recently signed by all Premiers, Chief Ministers and the Prime Minister, transparent comparative performance information on all Australian hospitals both public and private will be developed and reported on the national My Hospitals website, in conjunction with the National Health Performance Authority.

In addition, the NSW Bureau of Health Information will continue its important work on enhancing reporting to both the community and clinicians on the performance of the NSW health system.

The information in both the Bureau's reports and on the My Hospitals website are available on the internet, with the ability to download hard copies of the information.

*0489 ESTABLISHMENT OF TASKFORCE—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Given advice that a taskforce to establish a "consistent definition of 'beds' within the NSW health system and determine the number of beds in the NSW health system" (Question 0117):

- (1) Has a taskforce been appointed?
- (2) Who is on this taskforce?
- (3) How often has the taskforce met?
- (4) When will a report be available?
- (5) Is the Minister now able to give a reply as to how many beds there were in the NSW health system as of 1 April 2011?

Answer—

I am advised that:

The Transition Taskforce that I appointed will be completing a final report that will be available by the end of the year. The Taskforce includes Dr Mary Foley, Dr Nigel Lyons, Adjunct Professor Debra Thoms,

Mr Chris Puplick AM, Professor Denis King, and Mr Tom Callachor. The taskforce has met on multiple occasions over the last months.

*0490 WALKOUT RATES FROM EMERGENCY DEPARTMENTS—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to patients "walking out" of emergency departments (EDs) without being seen:

- (1) What was the statewide walkout rate for the month of July 2011?
- (2) How many, and what percentage, of total numbers of those presenting to ED, walked out without being seen in:
 - (a) Bankstown;
 - (b) Concord;
 - (c) Gosford;
 - (d) John Hunter;
 - (e) Liverpool;
 - (f) Nepean;
 - (g) Prince of Wales;
 - (h) Royal North Shore;
 - (i) Royal Prince Alfred;
 - (j) St George;
 - (k) St Vincents;
 - (l) Westmead;
 - (m) Wollongong;
 - (n) The Children's Hospital at Westmead;
 - (o) Sydney Children's;
 - (p) Blacktown;
 - (q) Campbelltown;
 - (r) Mount Druitt;
 - (s) Sutherland;
 - (t) Wyong;
 - (u) Maitland;
 - (v) Port Macquarie;
 - (w) Tamworth;
 - (x) Wagga Wagga?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Walk-out rates comprise two groups: those who "did not wait" (i.e. patients who left before treatment was commenced by a clinician) and those who "left at own risk" (i.e. patients who left against advice after treatment had commenced). For the month of July 2011, for all NSW Emergency Departments reporting activity electronically to the Department, the rate of "did not wait" ED attendances was 6.0% and the rate of "left at own risk" ED attendances was 2.2%.

(2)

	Did Not Wait	Did Not Wait	Left at Own Risk	Left at Own Risk
	Number	% of ED Attendances	Number	% of ED Attendances
(a) Bankstown;	314	8.3%	363	9.6%
(b) Concord;	77	2.6%	6	0.2%
(c) Gosford;	391	8.4%	36	0.8%
(d) John Hunter;	159	2.9%	268	4.8%
(e) Liverpool;	568	10.7%	105	2.0%
(f) Nepean;	300	6.7%	249	5.5%
(g) Prince of Wales;	231	6.0%	254	6.6%
(h) Royal North Shore;	209	4.3%	24	0.5%
(i) Royal Prince Alfred;	359	6.7%	221	4.1%
(j) St George;	224	4.1%	296	5.5%
(k) St Vincents;	147	4.5%	289	8.8%
(l) Westmead;	614	12.9%	14	0.3%

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(m) Wollongong;	330	7.4%	112	2.5%
(n) The Children's Hospital at Westmead;	482	11.2%	7	0.2%
(o) Sydney Children's;	63	2.0%	21	0.7%
(p) Blacktown;	301	10.8%	60	2.1%
(q) Campbelltown;	175	3.8%	88	1.9%
(r) Mount Druitt;	314	11.7%	33	1.2%
(s) Sutherland;	66	1.7%	109	2.8%
(t) Wyong;	353	7.8%	9	0.2%
(u) Maitland;	154	4.3%	107	3.0%
(v) Port Macquarie;	166	5.9%	19	0.7%
(w) Tamworth;	221	6.2%	66	1.8%
(x) Wagga Wagga?	171	6.0%	5	0.2%

*0491 HOSPITAL BEDS OPENED—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) From 27 March 2011 until Monday 1 August 2011, how many hospital beds were opened by the NSW Government (excluding those opened temporarily as part of a winter strategy)?
- (2) In which hospitals were these beds located?
- (3) Were these "new" beds, or relocation of existing beds?
- (4) How were these beds funded (i.e. Federal Government or NSW Government)?

Answer—

- (1) 63 hospital beds were opened since the NSW Government election
- (2) Dubbo, Orange, Ballina, Prince of Wales, Royal Hospital for Women, St George, Sutherland, St Josephs, Westmead, Nepean and Children's Hospital at Westmead
- (3) These were all "new" beds, not relocation of existing beds.
- (4) These beds were funded through joint NSW and Federal Government funding.

*0494 WALSH BAY BUSES—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Transport—

With respect to transport services for Walsh Bay (Question No 11671 54th Parliament):

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the Hassle Free Nights late night buses in The Rocks area, and what does this show about transport needs?
- (2) What assessment has the Government made of the trial extension of the 443 bus service into Walsh Bay, and what does this show about the need for bus services:
 - (a) during day time when residents and workers arrive and leave this precinct;
 - (b) during night time when visitors and patrons of cultural facilities arrive and leave this precinct?
- (3) Noting the strong community support for bus services to Walsh Bay, what action will the Government take to continue and extend 433 bus services?
- (4) Noting complaints about noise and air pollution impacting some residents, what assessment has the Government made about:
 - (a) possible route changes away from quieter residential streets;
 - (b) location of bus layover to prevent noise and air pollution impacts from idling buses?
- (5) What action has been taken on the promised extension of light rail to this precinct, as in the Metropolitan Transport Plan?
- (6) What action has the Government taken to provide ferry services to this precinct?
- (7) What further action will the Government take to address transport needs in Walsh Bay?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Department of Transport has monitored patronage on the Hassle Free Nights late night buses in The Rocks area since these services were introduced in April 2010. Patronage of Route 998 which runs from The Rocks to QVB from 9pm to 4.30 am each Friday and Saturday night has been low.
- (2) The Department of Transport is reviewing data on the trial, including patronage, reliability and customer feedback.

The Department of Transport intends to continue collecting operational data throughout the third

quarter of 2011 to ensure the right information is available to make an informed decision.

- (3) This will be considered once the review has been completed.
- (4) This can be considered as part of the review.
- (5) Introducing light rail in Sydney's city centre requires careful and detailed planning. There are a number of complex matters which require further investigation before a preferred corridor can be identified. This includes impacts on customers, bus operators, traffic management and businesses both during operations and construction.

Investigations into the feasibility of extending light rail services through the CBD and to the Universities of Sydney and NSW have been announced.

The Department of Transport is consolidating feasibility analysis of these light rail expansion projects within a Sydney Light Rail Strategic Plan.

The Plan will address issues such as the strategic role of light rail, route options and potential stop locations, patronage demand, economic viability, constructability, integration with other transport modes and cost. This is to ensure that future investments represent value for money and deliver sound transport and urban outcomes with a strong customer focus.

This work is in addition to the Government's commitment to the extension of the existing light rail services to the Inner West from Lilyfield to Dulwich Hill, for which the design for construction is underway.

- (6) As part of the 'Fixing Sydney Ferries' program, the Department of Transport is undertaking a Network Review.
- (7) This can be considered as part of the CBD Access Study being undertaken in conjunction with the City of Sydney.

*0495 END STAGE KIDNEY DISEASE—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Noting latest data suggesting that there are about 7,000 people in NSW with end stage kidney disease, with higher rates for older people and Indigenous people:

- (1) What is the Government's estimate of the health costs of end stage kidney disease?
- (2) How many of those people with end stage kidney disease receive dialysis treatment in NSW?
- (3) How many of those people with end stage kidney disease are listed for or have received kidney transplants in NSW?
- (4) What does the Government spend on dialysis support for end stage kidney disease?
- (5) What does the Government spend on kidney transplants in response to end stage kidney disease?
- (6) What programs has the Government provided to prevent and intervene early with end stage kidney disease?
- (7) What further action will the Government take to prevent end stage kidney disease?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The annual costs of dialysis and transplantation treatment of end stage kidney disease in NSW is estimated at approximately \$250 million. Costs of end stage kidney disease, not associated with Dialysis or Transplantation, are not known.
- (2) According to the Australia and New Zealand Dialysis and Transplant Registry (ANZDATA) 2010 Report, at the end of 2009 there were 3374 NSW residents undergoing some form of dialysis.
- (3) Also according to the ANZDATA Registry 2010 Report, at the end of 2009 calendar year there were 2232 NSW residents with functioning renal transplants. Approximately 240 kidney transplants are undertaken in NSW each year. The number of procedures is limited by the availability of donated organs, both cadaveric and live donors. There are currently 762 people on the waiting list for renal transplantation in NSW.
- (4) An estimate of the cost is approximately \$214 million per annum.
- (5) An estimate of the cost is approximately \$36 million per annum on transplantation, noting that the number of procedures is limited by the availability of organs.
- (6) and (7) A NSW Health Policy entitled "Kidney Health Check: Promoting the Early Detection & Management of Chronic Kidney Disease" was released in April 2010. This Policy outlines a new approach to the early detection and management of chronic kidney disease to prevent progression to end stage kidney disease. It involves opportunistic screening using the Kidney Health Check in order to identify risk of chronic kidney disease, and will target high-risk individuals in hospital settings.

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It aims to optimise existing contacts with at risk patients in hospital settings in order to prevent progression to end stage kidney disease. The screening tool described is the Kidney Health Check. If disease is detected, a primary care referral will be made, highlighting the importance of treating the condition in order to encourage remission and regression of the disease.

*0497 BULLYING AT WESTMEAD HOSPITAL—Mr Nathan Rees asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

In view of the Minister's previous statement (press release 21 July 2010) that bullying is "endemic" at Westmead Hospital:

- (1) What investigation(s) into bullying at Westmead Hospital has the Minister commenced since the 2011 election?
- (2) What actions have been taken?
- (3) Does the Minister still believe that "bullying is endemic at Westmead Hospital"?

Answer—

(1) to (3) I am absolutely committed to abolishing bullying and harassment in the NSW health sector and have established a Taskforce on the Prevention of Bullying and Harassment. The Taskforce will be lead by the Director-General of NSW Health and will identify strategies aimed at eliminating bullying and harassment and bringing about cultural change within NSW Health.

In relation to Westmead Hospital, I am advised that:

- A number of actions have been taken at Westmead Hospital over the past 12 months to positively address the workplace culture and behaviors at the hospital.
- A range of activities have been put in place at Westmead Hospital to educate staff and managers about acceptable workplace behaviours and what constitutes bullying and harassment. This includes training sessions for staff across a wide range of settings.
- The Workplace Behaviour Advisors have been particularly active in providing coaching and mentoring services to supervisors who are managing bullying complaints. This will ensure that complaints of bullying are dealt with appropriately.
- Education for managers has also been a particular focus so that they can intervene to address unacceptable behaviour and deal with formal complaints. All of the Senior Executive of the hospital have attended these training programs, as well as a large number of staff in senior positions.
- Educational material is freely available for staff to access to assist with complaints.

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*0498 POLICE STATION CELLS—Mr Richard Amery asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) How many police stations in New South Wales do not have a cell to accommodate persons in custody?
- (2) Of these stations, how many have cells that have been decommissioned?
- (3) Of the stations referred to above, what is the break-down of this number between metropolitan and country stations?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- (1) There are 49 police stations in NSW that do not contain cells. However, persons in custody can also be accommodated in docks, which are present in all but eight NSW police stations.
- (2) Records of decommissioned cells are not kept.
- (3) There are 37 "country" stations that do not have cells, however all of these have docks. It follows that 12 metropolitan stations do not have cells, and eight metropolitan stations do not have docks.

0499 NO SMOKING POLICY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*0500 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS TRANSPORT CONCESSIONS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Why are international students not allowed to take advantage of transport concessions available to all domestic students?
- (2) Why is the Government discouraging international students from studying here by such discrimination?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Transport concessions are not available to full-fee paying overseas tertiary students because, when obtaining their visas, they attest that they are fully self sufficient and able to meet their own living expenses. These restrictions are not new. No NSW Government has ever made transport concessions available to full-fee paying overseas students, including the previous government of 16 years.

It should be noted that international students are also ineligible for Commonwealth Government benefits such as Newstart Allowance, Austudy and free and subsidised health services under Medicare.

Even though concessionary travel is not available to international students, they do have access to a range of discounted fare products including off-peak tickets, rail weeklies, TravelTens and MyMulti tickets. Information on these ticketing products is available from the Transport Infoline at www.131500.com.au/ and through the websites of individual transport operators.

*0503 POLICE STRENGTH NUMBERS—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked 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—

With reference to the police strength numbers posted on the NSW Police Force website:

- (1) (a) Do these figures accurately represent the current allocation of police personnel across New South Wales?
- (b) If not, why not?
- (2) What is the reason for the discrepancy between authorised numbers of police officers in Bankstown and actual numbers of police officers?
- (3) What action will the Minister take to increase the number of police officers allocated to the Bankstown Local Area Command?

Answer—

- (1) Strength figures currently on the police website represent both authorised and actual strength at each Local Area Command and Region as at 31 July 2011.
- (2) As was the case under the previous Government, the Authorised strength indicates the number of officers currently budgeted for and allocated to each Command. Actual strength figures may vary on a daily basis due to officer movements such as transfers, recruitment, resignations and other terminations. This is true of all Commands, including Bankstown.
- (3) The Government has commissioned an audit of police resources across the State. This audit has examined the issue of staffing allocations to all Commands.

*0505 FREE BANKSTOWN SHUTTLE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Will the Minister maintain the Free Bankstown Shuttle implemented by the previous Government?
- (2) Will the Minister expand the Free Bankstown Shuttle's route within the Bankstown CBD?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Free shuttle buses will be funded while people continue to use them.

*0506 SOUTH WEST RAIL LINK PROJECT—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—

What works were undertaken as part of the South West Rail Link Project:

- (1) prior to March 2011;
- (2) following March 2011?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The South West Rail Link (SWRL) project was first announced by the former Government in 2004 at

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a cost of \$688 million, to be completed by 2012.

I am further advised that the former Government reannounced the project in March 2008, revising the cost to \$1.36 billion, to be completed by 2012.

I am also aware that the former Government axed the project in November that year, before re-announcing the project in November 2009, with a new completion date of 2016.

In February 2010, the former Government announced that the cost had blown out to \$2.1 billion.

Construction of the South West Rail Link commenced at Glenfield in 2009. Works undertaken prior to March 2011 included:

- The extension of the Seddon Park commuter car park.
- Construction of the Glenfield multi-storey commuter car park

Preliminary works began on the Glenfield Junction northern and southern flyovers in June 2010 and the upgrade of Glenfield Station commenced in August 2010.

(2) Among this Government's election commitments was providing certainty to residents in NSW that key infrastructure projects such as the South West Rail Link would be delivered without unnecessary delay.

Works undertaken on the SWRL project following March 2011 include:

- The laying of the first new track for the SWRL at Glenfield. This track will form part of the connection between the existing East Hills rail line and the new Glenfield to Leppington rail line.
- The installation of columns to support the new overhead concourse for the Glenfield Transport Interchange.
- After ongoing investigation, excavation and earthworks, the first above-ground structures of the southern flyover were installed. These structures will support the flyover which, when complete, will connect the South West Rail Link to the existing network.
- The installation of ramps that will support the rail line on the Northern Flyover.
- The completion of the basement and ground floor slabs for the Glenfield south substation. This substation is one of a number being constructed to assist reliable operation of trains within the Glenfield Junction.
- The majority of survey and investigation works for the Glenfield to Leppington rail line have been undertaken and completed.
- The relocation of utilities along Railway Parade has been completed allowing sewer and water main works to be undertaken throughout August.

Since March 2011, a number of contracts have also been awarded to enable the ongoing design development of the new rail line between Glenfield south and Leppington. Construction of the new rail line continues to progress on time, with services on track to begin in 2016.

These achievements demonstrate this Government's commitment to getting on with the job of delivering the SWRL and making public transport a more attractive and convenient option for commuters in Sydney's south-west.

*0507 BANKSTOWN LINE SERVICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What is the current capacity of the Bankstown train line?
- (2) Does the Government plan to increase services on the Bankstown train line?
- (3) (a) Does the Government plan to provide any of its additional express services to the Bankstown line?
(b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The current capacity available on the Bankstown Line is 6 trains per hour in the peak and 4 trains per hour in the off peak.
- (2) and (3) The Department of Transport and RailCorp are developing a timetable review plan and a new timetable specification for consideration by Government.

*0508 BANKSTOWN LINE ROLLING STOCK—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What rail rolling stock is currently in use on the Bankstown line?
- (2) Does the Government have any plans to provide new rail rolling stock on the Bankstown line?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The following train types currently provide services on the Bankstown Line:
 - Millennium (air conditioned)
 - Tangara (air conditioned)
 - C-sets (air conditioned)
 - S-sets (non air conditioned)
- (2) The purchase of 626 new Waratah carriages will enable the replacement of all remaining non air conditioned trains on the CityRail network. The Waratah trains will operate on the Airport & East Hills, Bankstown, Inner West and South, Western, Northern and North Shore lines. The first Waratah train is now in service on the Airport and East Hills and South lines.

*0509 PUNCHBOWL RAILWAY STATION PATRONAGE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—

Given your advice that in regards to a potential Easy Access upgrade for Punchbowl Railway Station "The key criteria for prioritisation include patronage . . ." (Question 0413):

- (1) What is the current daily patronage of Punchbowl Station between Monday and Friday?
- (2) How does this compare to other stations on the Bankstown line and in Greater Sydney?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) On a typical busy weekday, i.e. on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday not during school holidays or adjoining public holidays, the total of entries plus exits at Punchbowl station is around 5,960.
- (2) Amongst the 307 CityRail stations, Punchbowl ranks 78th with Central ranking 1st.

*0510 YAGOONA RAILWAY STATION PATRONAGE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—

Given your advice that in regards to a potential Easy Access upgrade for Yagoona Railway Station "The key criteria for prioritisation include patronage . . ." (Question 0273):

- (1) What is the current daily patronage of Yagoona Station between Monday and Friday?
- (2) How does this compare to other stations on the Bankstown line and in Greater Sydney?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) On a typical busy weekday, i.e. on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday not during school holidays or adjoining public holidays, the total of entries plus exits at Yagoona station is around 3,500.
- (2) Amongst the 307 CityRail stations, Yagoona ranks 121st with Central ranking 1st.

0514 ASTHMA AND ALLERGENS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0516 WOOLLOOMOOLOO HOUSING NSW COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

0517 UNAUTHORISED PARKING ON HOUSING NSW LAND—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

*0518 INNER WEST LIGHT RAIL EXTENSION PROJECT—Ms Carmel Tebbutt asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Is the Government committed to implementing the Greenway walking/cycling path and bush care sites as part of the Inner West Light Rail Extension Project?
- (2) Will funding for the Inner West Light Rail Extension and Greenway walking/cycling path be maintained?
- (3) What is the timeframe for the completion of the Greenway project?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) The Government is committed to the extension of the Inner West light rail, and encouraging active transport through proper planning and integration.

The light rail project team is examining the best way to deliver the Inner West light rail extension.

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*0519 INNER WEST LIGHT RAIL EXTENSION—CONSTRUCTION—Ms Carmel Tebbutt asked the Minister for Transport—

Have there been any changes since 26 March 2011 to the allocation of funding or the plans for construction of the Inner West Light Rail Extension and the accompanying Greenway shared walking/cycling path and bushcare sites?

Answer—

The light rail project team is examining the best way to deliver the Inner West light rail extension.

The Government is committed to the extension of the Inner West light rail, and encouraging active transport through proper planning and integration.

*0521 FLINDERS RAILWAY STATION—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Transport—

(1) (a) Can the Minister confirm that the new Flinders Railway Station will be completed as promised by the previous Government?

(b) If not, why not?

(2) If yes, can the Minister provide an update/forecast and an estimated timeframe for completion of this project?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) The 2011-12 State Budget provides \$69 million to upgrade CityRail stations across the network.

The Department of Transport is now undertaking a review into the way stations are selected for upgrading to ensure the best possible outcome for public transport customers and the taxpayer. We are not reviewing the funding allocated towards this program - that money remains in place and will be spent on upgrading CityRail stations across the network.

After the review is completed, which will be within the coming months, the location of station upgrades will be decided. We are making sure upgrades are done to benefit the maximum number of customers.

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(Paper No. 29)

0525 CESSNOCK DISTRICT HOSPITAL—STAFFING LEVELS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0526 CESSNOCK DISTRICT HOSPITAL—BED NUMBERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0527 CESSNOCK LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA—NEW HOSPITAL—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0528 KURRI KURRI DISTRICT HOSPITAL—STAFFING LEVELS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0529 KURRI KURRI DISTRICT HOSPITAL—BED NUMBERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0536 CANLEY VALE RAILWAY STATION UPGRADE—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Transport—

0539 IMPROVEMENT TO HEALTH SERVICES—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

*0540 FREE SHUTTLE BUS—Ms Anna Watson asked the Minister for Transport—

(1) Will the Minister provide a free shuttle bus for the Shellharbour electorate?

(2) If so, will the Government implement this service as a priority to assist the many disabled, disadvantaged and aged people in the Shellharbour electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) There are currently no plans to introduce any other shuttle services, nor take over council-operated shuttle services at this stage.

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(Paper No. 30)

- 0543 MEALS ON WHEELS—TRANSFER OF OVERSIGHT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0544 MEALS ON WHEELS—BELMONT AND MORISSET BRANCHES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0546 DEFENDED CRIMINAL MATTERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0547 STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0548 JUDGE-ALONE TRIALS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0549 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0550 CORRECTIVE SERVICES COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0551 CORRECTIVE SERVICES NSW—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0552 RESPITE CARE—EXTRA HOURS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0553 HOSPITAL SECURITY—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0554 ORGAN DONATION—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0555 NEPEAN HOSPITAL CAR PARK—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0556 WESTMEAD MORGUE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0557 HOSPITAL INFECTION RATE REPORTING—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0560 ADMINISTRATIVE BURDEN ON POLICE—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—
- 0561 NEW POLICE STATION—NORTHERN ILLAWARRA AREA—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—
- 0562 MEALS ON WHEELS FUNDING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0563 FUNDING FOR FILM ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

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- 0565 GARRAWARRA HOSPITAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0566 GENERAL ASSISTANTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0567 ILLAWARRA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—
- 0572 WOMEN'S SPORTS—Mr Chris Patterson to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0573 LONDON OLYMPICS TEAM—Mr Chris Patterson to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0575 CARBON TAX—IMPACT ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT—Mr Andrew Rohan to ask the Minister for Transport—

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(Paper No. 31)

- *0576 NORTH WEST RAIL LINK—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) In relation to the proposed North West Rail Link, how many rail stations are planned for this line?
- (2) What are the proposed locations for these stations?
- (3) (a) Will these stations each have a commuter car park?
(b) If so, what will be the capacity of these car parks?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Six stations are planned to be constructed for this line. Provision is being made for two additional stations.
- (2) The proposed project scope includes the construction of stations at Cherrybrook, Castle Hill, Hills Centre, Norwest Business Park, Kellyville and Rouse Hill. Provision is being made for two additional stations at Cudgegong Road and Samantha Riley Drive.
- (3) (a) Parking facilities are proposed at every second station along the alignment - Cherrybrook, Hills Centre and Kellyville stations.

Provision is being made for two additional stations (at Cudgegong Road and Samantha Riley Drive) that would also include parking facilities.

(b) The proposed parking facilities at the three stations are currently being planned to have capacity of approximately 3,000 parking spaces.

- 0577 HYDRO-ELECTRIC GENERATION—Mr Kevin Conolly to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0578 PLANNING FOR FLOOD EMERGENCIES—Mr Kevin Conolly 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—

- *0579 CARDIFF RAILWAY STATION—EASY ACCESS UPGRADE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport—

When will the easy access upgrade be completed at the Cardiff Railway Station?

Answer—

I am advised:

Construction work on the Cardiff Station Accessibility Upgrade is expected to be completed in late 2013.

The upgrade will include a platform extension to accommodate 8-carriage trains and lifts to ensure people in wheelchairs, with prams or carrying luggage can independently access the station.

- 0582 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0583 CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL, NEWCASTLE—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0584 STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0585 GRAFFITI OFFENCES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0586 MONA VALE HOSPITAL MATERNITY SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0587 FTE NURSE POSITIONS—NEPEAN HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0588 BED OCCUPANCY RATES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0590 BLACKTOWN HOSPITAL SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0591 AFFORDABLE HOUSING—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0592 FOOTPATH AND ROAD TRENCHES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0593 ELECTRICITY PILLARS AND KIOSKS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0594 NANOTECHNOLOGY ACTION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—
- 0595 PUBLIC TRANSPORT INFORMATION AND PRIORITY SYSTEM—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0596 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—Mr Mark Speakman to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0597 POLICE BUILDINGS—HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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- 0598 EASY ACCESS FACILITIES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0599 VIOLENCE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ON BUSES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0601 RIFLE SHOOTING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0603 PANANIA STATION—INSTALLATION OF LIFTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0604 STACEY STREET TRAFFIC FLOW—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0605 RECREATION, SPORTS AND AQUATICS CLUB—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—

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- 0606 RIFLE SHOOTING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0607 OFFICERS WORKING IN SPECIALIST CRIME SQUADS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0608 AUDIT OF BANKSTOWN CITY COUNCIL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—
- 0611 INSULATION FOR SOCIAL HOUSING TENANTS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0612 HOUSING NSW WATER EFFICIENCY—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0613 GENERAL ASSISTANT TRAINING FUND—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0614 VACANT GENERAL ASSISTANT POSITIONS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0615 SCHOOL FACILITIES STANDARDS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0616 AGE DISCRIMINATION IN THE WORKPLACE—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0617 DISTRICT COURT MATTERS—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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- 0622 KURRI MINOR RUGBY LEAGUE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0623 KURRI RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0624 KURRI KURRI SPEEDWAY CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0625 CESSNOCK GUN CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0626 CESSNOCK RIFLE CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0627 CESSNOCK MINOR RUGBY LEAGUE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0628 EDGEWORTH JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- 0629 HUNTER REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0630 SUPPORT FOR EVENTS AND TOURISM—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- *0631 CABRAMATTA RAILWAY STATION UPGRADE—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Transport—
What are the Government's plans to upgrade Cabramatta Railway Station in the next 12 months?

Answer—

I am advised:

An upgrade of Cabramatta Station was completed earlier this year as part of the Southern Sydney Freight Line works being delivered by the Australian Rail Track Corporation. This upgrade included: a new aerial concourse and booking office; a new lift and staircase; and a new station entrance.

There are still some works underway on Platform 2 to accommodate the Southern Sydney Freight Line.

- 0632 ADDITIONAL TEACHERS—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0633 FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL PATIENTS—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0634 CABRAMATTA FIRE STATION—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0635 RELEASE OF BODY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0636 SPECIAL NEEDS CLASSES—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0637 FUNDING FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0639 EDUCATIONAL PACKAGES ON FIREARMS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0640 SCHOOL COUNSELLING SERVICES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0641 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0642 ASBESTOS REMOVAL—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- *0644 GUILDFORD TO WESTMEAD TRAIN SERVICES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport—
- (1) How many train services are operating from Guildford to Westmead during the morning peak hour?
 - (2) How many train services are operating from Guildford to Westmead during the afternoon peak hour?
 - (3) How many train services are operating from Guildford to Westmead during off-peak times?
 - (4) Are there plans to increase services from Guildford to Westmead?
 - (5) What are the Government's plans for the reintroduction of the "Y Link" between Guildford and Westmead?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (5) Train timetables can be accessed at www.131500 or by calling 131500.

CityRail's timetables are formulated based on passenger needs throughout the rail network. This is measured by regular monitoring, passenger counts on trains, counts of customers arriving at and departing stations, and ticket sales. The timetable is written based on passenger demand and available network capacity (trains and track).

RailCorp also consults with commuter organisations and considers feedback from customers on how to best improve its services.

- 0645 FUNDING FOR FUTURE UPGRADES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0646 CENTENARY ROAD AND KENYONS ROAD INTERSECTION—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0647 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0648 CONCERTS FOR SENIORS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0651 ORPHAN SCHOOL CREEK—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

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- 0652 ADMISSION AND REJECTION RATE FIGURES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0653 JOHN NESS PROTESTANT FEDERATION GIRLS HOME—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0654 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 0655 PART 3A DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0656 BAYS PRECINCT TASKFORCE—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0657 BARANGAROO—"SHORT-SHARP" REVIEW—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0658 AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASKFORCE—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0659 NEW HOMES INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0660 INFRASTRUCTURE NSW AND HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0661 HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0662 HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—ACQUISITION POWERS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0663 MARSDEN PARK AND CATHERINE FIELD HOUSING BLOCKS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0664 MARSDEN PARK AND CATHERINE FIELD HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0665 PUBLIC SERVICE JOB CUTS IN RESEARCH FACILITIES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 0666 ORICA TOXIC LEAK—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- 0667 FUNDING CUTS TO CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND THE VICTIMS COMPENSATION SCHEME—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0668 FUNDING CUTS TO HUNTER HOSPITALS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0669 PLACES OF WORSHIP—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0670 LEGAL COSTS—ORDER FOR SURCHARGE AGAINST COUNCILLORS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—
- 0671 PAYMENT TO COUNCILLORS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—
- 0672 PAYMENT TO COUNCILLORS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

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- 0673 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION EMPLOYEES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0674 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION EMPLOYEES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0675 LIVERPOOL COUNCIL CHAMBERS FIRE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0676 SEXUAL ASSAULT MATTERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0677 DUST DISEASES TRIBUNAL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0678 MOST CONGESTED INTERSECTIONS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0679 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0680 ADDITIONAL SCHOOL FENCING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0681 ILLAWARRA REGIONAL INFORMATION SERVICE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0682 OPERATION VISION—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—
- 0683 EYE WATCH TRIAL—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—
- 0684 SPEECH THERAPISTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0685 KOKODA ABORIGINAL SERVICEMEN'S COMMITTEE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- 0686 SOUTH COAST LINE—CRIMINAL OFFENCES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0687 RAIL TICKET SALES—GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0688 RAIL TICKET SALES—AUBURN ELECTORATE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0689 AMY STREET OVERBRIDGE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0690 APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE GUARDIANSHIP ACT—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0691 GRAND WESTERN LODGE, MILLTHORPE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0692 FREE SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0693 BUS SERVICE TO WOODCROFT PLAZA—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0694 DOONSIDE RAILWAY STATION—EASY ACCESS UPGRADE—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0695 BLACKTOWN HOSPITAL—EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT SECURITY—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0696 UPGRADE TO BLACKTOWN AND MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITALS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0697 FINES ISSUED—Mr John Robertson to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0698 INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARDS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0699 SOCIAL HOUSING—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0700 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING STOCK—FAIRFIELD AREA—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0701 RESTORATION OF THE LINNWOOD ESTATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 0702 PRIVATISATION OF SERVICES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0703 REMOVAL OF INTRODUCED NOXIOUS TREES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 0704 CLANDESTINE DRUG LABORATORIES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- 0705 CLANDESTINE DRUG LABORATORIES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0706 FIREARM OFFENCES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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- 0707 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SECURITY FENCING PROGRAM—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0708 STAFF NUMBERS AT PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL CAMPUS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0709 MAROUBRA BEACH AMBULANCE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0710 HOUSING NSW—STAFF NUMBERS AT MAROUBRA OFFICE—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0711 MATRAVILLE FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley 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—
- 0712 MAROUBRA FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley 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—
- 0713 BOTANY FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley 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—
- 0714 MALABAR HEADLAND—LOTS 102 AND 104—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

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- 0715 AUSGRID WORKS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0716 UNANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Treasurer—
- 0717 RECREATIONAL HUNTING IN STATE FORESTS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 0718 ASSESSMENT FOR MAINTENANCE DEFECTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0719 AUTONOMY IN SPENDING ON ASSETS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0720 SOIL TESTING FOR LEAD CONTAMINATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0721 MEETINGS WITH PHILLIP BRADLEY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
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- 0824 FUNDING FOR SPEED MITIGATION DEVICES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0825 PROVISION TO MONITOR TRAFFIC ON LOCAL ROADS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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- 0826 EXTENSION OF MOUNT DRUITT RAILWAY STATION—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Will the planned extension to the Mount Druitt Railway Station go ahead to cater for 10-car trains conveying extra passengers on the Western Line?
 - (2) If so, when will his project commence?
- 0827 BUS ROUTE 413—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Is the Minister aware of the overcrowding that regularly happens on bus route 413, from the City to Ashfield?
 - (2) What is the Minister's proposal to alleviate this crowding?
- 0828 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR FUNERALS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) What financial assistance is available to bury or cremate a deceased person when family and friends cannot afford this service?
 - (2) If this assistance is available, how do people access it?
 - (3) Is the procedure for assistance user friendly, or is it complicated requiring extensive paperwork?
 - (4) How timely is this assistance, given that from time of death to interment is generally only a few days?
 - (5) Is this service widely known, enabling the public to access it, should the need arise?
- 0829 PUBLIC HOUSING—CANTERBURY ELECTORATE—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- (1) Given the high demand for public housing in the Canterbury electorate, can the Government advise whether any plans exist to provide additional public housing in the area, to ease the lengthy time people are waiting for accommodation in this high demand area?
 - (2) How many people on the public housing register are waiting for housing in the Canterbury electorate?
 - (3) What is the average waiting time for applicants desirous of accommodation in the Canterbury zone?
 - (4) How does the Canterbury electorate compare with other electorates on the availability of public housing properties?
- 0830 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—
- Since 26 March 2011:
- (1) What action(s) has your office taken to ensure that meetings with potential lobbyists comply with the NSW Government Lobbyist Code of Conduct?
 - (2) What meetings, if any, have you or members or your staff had with registered lobbyists?
 - (a) What were the dates and times of such meetings?
 - (b) What issues were discussed?
 - (c) Did your office keep detailed records of such meetings?
 - (3) What meetings, if any, have you or members of your staff had with unregistered lobbyists?
 - (a) What were the dates and times of such meetings?

- (b) What issues were discussed?
(c) Did your office keep detailed records of such meetings?
- (4) Have you made any appointments to Government boards or committees of individuals who have engaged in lobbying in the past twelve months?
- 0831 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
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- 0832 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
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- (1) What action(s) has your office taken to ensure that meetings with potential lobbyists comply with the NSW Government Lobbyist Code of Conduct?
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- 0833 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Transport—
- Since 26 March 2011:
- (1) What action(s) has your office taken to ensure that meetings with potential lobbyists comply with the NSW Government Lobbyist Code of Conduct?
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(c) Did your office keep detailed records of such meetings?
(4) Have you made any appointments to Government boards or committees of individuals who have engaged in lobbying in the past twelve months?
- 0834 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- Since 26 March 2011:
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0835 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—

Since 26 March 2011:

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 - (b) What issues were discussed?
 - (c) Did your office keep detailed records of such meetings?
- (4) Have you made any appointments to Government boards or committees of individuals who have engaged in lobbying in the past twelve months?

0836 ADDITIONAL NURSES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Following the 2011 Budget announcement of 107 extra nurses in the Hunter New England Local Health District, how many additional nurses will be employed at the:

- (a) John Hunter Hospital;
- (b) Calvary Mater Hospital Waratah?

0837 ADDITIONAL TEACHERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

Following the 2011 Budget announcement of extra teachers for NSW schools, how many additional teachers will be employed in the Wallsend electorate and in which schools?

0838 ADDITIONAL TAFE TEACHERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

Following the 2011 Budget announcements, how many additional TAFE teachers will be employed at Glendale TAFE?

0839 FUNDING FOR CAPITAL WORKS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

Following the 2011 Budget announcement of \$12 million capital works projects for Hunter schools and TAFE colleges, how much money will be allocated for capital works at Glendale TAFE?

0840 COFFS HARBOUR BASE HOSPITAL STAFF—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many interns have been appointed to Coffs Harbour Base Hospital (CHBH) in 2012?
- (2) How many first preference applications were made to Coffs Harbour Base Hospital?
- (3) How many interns, residents, and registrars are due to be employed at Coffs Harbour Base Hospital in 2012?
- (4) (a) Has Coffs Harbour Base Hospital requested more junior staff?
(b) If so, In which area(s)?
- (5) What enhancements will be provided in 2013 for:
 - (a) interns;
 - (b) other medical staff?

0841 PATIENTS ON HOME DIALYSIS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What NSW Government rebates are available to reduce the financial burden for patients on home dialysis?
- (2) What further enhancements or rebates for patients on home dialysis are planned by the Minister in the 2011-12 budget?

0842 PAMBULA HOSPITAL MATERNITY SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to the establishment of an independent expert committee to determine maternity services at Pambula Hospital (Question 0032):

- (1) Has this committee been established?
- (2) Who is on this committee?
- (3) How often has the committee met?
- (4) When is a report to be expected?

0843 ASYLUM SEEKER SUPPORT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

With respect to NSW Government support for asylum seekers who have recently arrived in Australia and who do not have jobs, income or assets:

- (1) What support does the NSW Government provide to asylum seekers needing health care, and how does this compare with provision in other States?
- (2) What housing support does the Government provide, and how does this compare with other States?
- (3) What public transport concessions does the Government provide, and how does this compare with provision in other States?
- (4) What access to TAFE and other education programs does the Government provide, and how does this compare with other States?
- (5) What access to legal advice and information does the Government provide, and how does this compare with other States?
- (6) What emergency financial counselling and relief does the Government provide, and how does this compare with other States?
- (7) What funding does the Government provide for casework, counselling and support services, and how does this compare with other States?
- (8) What plans does the Government have to provide additional support and help for vulnerable asylum seekers to help them get on their feet and make a new life?

0844 WATER METERING IN MULTI-UNIT BUILDINGS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

With regard to previous trials by Sydney Water of individually metering units in high-rise multi-unit buildings:

- (1) When were trials conducted?
- (2) How many apartment buildings were trialled?
- (3) What was the age of each building and how many units were in each?
- (4) What types of equipment were trialled?
- (5) What assessment was made on the effectiveness of each type?
- (6) What assessment was made on the feasibility of new apartments installing individual unit water metering?
- (7) What assessment was made on the feasibility of existing apartments being retrofitted for individual unit water metering?
- (8) What further work does the Government have planned on individual water metering in high-rise and multi-unit buildings?

0845 CYCLING EDUCATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

Given increasing numbers of people cycling, particularly children, young people and new riders:

- (1) What information, education and practical skills programs about the road rules does the NSW Government provide or fund for new cyclists?
- (2) What programs about the road rules and safe cycling does the Government provide or fund through

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- shops selling bicycles and bicycle gear?
- (3) What information, education and practical skills programs about cycling and safety does the NSW Government provide or fund for motorists?
 - (4) What information, education and practical skills programs about cycling and safety does the NSW Government provide or fund for heavy vehicle drivers including buses?
 - (5) What information, education and practical skills programs about cycling and safety does the NSW Government provide or fund for taxi drivers?
 - (6) What information, education and practical skills programs does the NSW Government provide or fund for pedestrians?
 - (7) What community education campaigns does the Government provide or fund about sharing the road?
 - (8) What partnership arrangements does the Government have with motorist, motorcyclist and cycling bodies about cycling and road safety information, education and training?
 - (9) What plans does the Government have to expand community information, education and training on cycling and road safety?
- 0846 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- With respect to the statewide rollout of flashing lights at school zone crossings:
- (1) What criteria does the Government use in determining priorities for installation of flashing lights at school crossings?
 - (2) What plans does the Government have to install flashing lights at schools in the Sydney electorate this year?
 - (3) What plans does the Government have to install flashing lights at schools in the Sydney electorate in 2012? and
 - (4) When will the Government install flashing school zone lights at:
 - (a) Ultimo Public School in Wattle Street;
 - (b) International Grammar School in Kelly Street and Wattle Street;
 - (c) St Andrew's Cathedral School in Bathurst Street;
 - (d) Sydney Grammar School in College Street?
- 0847 311 BUS SERVICE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) What are the monthly patronage numbers for this bus service for 2011?
 - (2) What patterns does State Transit report in patronage since changes were introduced in March 2011?
 - (3) What community transport services have been provided for Elizabeth Bay residents since the removal of the "loop"?
 - (4) What plans does the Government have for improving the 311 bus service?
- 0848 IDENTITY SCANNERS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- Noting that licensed premises in NSW have begun using equipment that scans and records identification documents:
- (1) What privacy protections apply to this equipment and its use in this situation?
 - (2) What advice has the Government had from the Australian Privacy Commissioner or Privacy NSW about handling personal information in this way?
 - (3) What protections apply to personal information from identity scanners being stored, shared or distributed to other parties?
 - (4) What protections apply to the length of time that personal information is kept?
 - (5) What guidelines have been provided to operators and licensees using this equipment that ensure controls over personal information?
 - (6) What plans does the Government have to protect privacy, and regulate and educate operators using identity scanning equipment?
- 0849 GREY NURSE SHARK PROTECTIONS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- (1) Why did the Government ignore clear scientific evidence from the NSW Department of Primary Industries that bottom fishing catches injure Grey Nurse Sharks at Fish Rock and Green Island aggregation sites?
 - (2) When is the scientific review of the effectiveness of grey nurse shark management expected to be finalised?
 - (3) What plans does the Government have to reinstate the protective measures for grey nurse sharks at

Fish Rock and Green Island that were revoked in April during the review?

- (4) Is the Government committed to making its decision on the protection of the grey nurse shark entirely based on the best scientific information for this species?
- (5) To what extent is the Government committed to ensuring the recovery of the east coast population of grey nurse sharks?

0850 LICENSED PREMISES CCTV—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

With respect to allegations that some licensed premises operators destroy or lose CCTV evidence associated with violence and other crime, or fail to comply with liquor licence requirements to collect CCTV footage:

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the scale of this alleged problem?
- (2) What minimum standards apply to liquor licence conditions for CCTV coverage, quality, recording, retention and supply to law enforcement agencies?
- (3) Do these conditions and standards apply to all licensed premises, all higher risk premises, or only to some licensed premises?
- (4) What penalties apply to liquor licensees or their agents who destroy or lose CCTV evidence or claim that equipment has malfunctioned?
- (5) How do these penalties affect the relevant liquor licence and conditions?
- (6) What changes has the Government made to minimum liquor licence conditions and standards about CCTV following allegations that CCTV evidence was destroyed or lost?
- (7) What plans does the Government have to:
 - (a) improve enforcement of CCTV coverage and recording;
 - (b) require higher quality CCTV recording and retain CCTV footage for longer periods;
 - (c) expand the numbers and types of premises required to have CCTV;
 - (d) increase or expand penalties for breaches,
 - (e) impose automatic penalties where CCTV evidence has been destroyed or not provided?

0851 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Since 26 March 2011:

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- (4) Have you made any appointments to Government boards or committees of individuals who have engaged in lobbying in the past twelve months?

0852 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

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- 0853 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 0854 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
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- 0855 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- Since 26 March 2011:
- (1) What action(s) has your office taken to ensure that meetings with potential lobbyists comply with the NSW Government Lobbyist Code of Conduct?
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- 0856 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- Since 26 March 2011:
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- 0857 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
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- (1) What action(s) has your office taken to ensure that meetings with potential lobbyists comply with the NSW Government Lobbyist Code of Conduct?
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- 0858 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
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- 0859 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
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0860 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

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0861 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—

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0862 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

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0863 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

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0864 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Treasurer—

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0865 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

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0866 GREENWAY PROJECT—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Transport—

With regards to the Minister's announcement on 6 September 2011 about the Greenway project:

- (1) To what date has the Greenway project been deferred?
- (2) What are the unresolved design issues relating to the Greenway?
- (3) What community consultation was undertaken prior to the decision to defer the Greenway project?
- (4) Is it more cost-effective to deliver the Greenway at the same time as the light rail is being extended to Dulwich Hill?
- (5) Why does the Minister claim the project is not in the best interests of commuters and taxpayers?

0867 TRANSITION TO YEAR 7 INITIATIVE—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

What is the estimated spending for the Transition to Year 7 initiative:

- (a) in the 2011-12 Budget;?
- (b) over the next four financial years ?

0868 SUPPORT FOR BEGINNING TEACHERS INITIATIVE—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

What is the estimated spending for the Support For Beginning Teachers initiative:

- (a) in the 2011-12 Budget;
- (b) over the next four financial years?

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0869 BEST START INITIATIVE—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—

What is the estimated spending for the Best Start initiative:

- (a) in the 2011-12 Budget;
- (b) over the next four years?

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