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\*0787 MITOCHONDRIAL DISEASE—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many persons in New South Wales have been detected as suffering with a mitochondrial disease?
- (2) Of these sufferers, how many reside in:
  - (a) the Sydney Metropolitan area?
  - (b) rural and regional New South Wales?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Mitochondrial disease is the name given to a group of over 100 genetic disorders that impair mitochondrial function and produce clinical disability.

Mitochondrial disease affects both children and adults. Mitochondrial disease has a wide variety and severity of symptoms, which may be quite non-specific, and for this reason may be undiagnosed or misdiagnosed. At present there is no cure and treatment is limited to treatment of symptoms.

The prevalence of mitochondrial disease in NSW is not known, but based on various research studies is estimated to be about 1 in 8,500 persons.

\*0789 SYDNEY WATER STAFF—Mr Michael Daley asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) How many full-time equivalent (FTE) staff did Sydney Water employ in total as of 1 June 2011?
- (2) How many FTE staff work at Sydney Water's Malabar Treatment Plant?

Answer—

- (1) 3,062
- (2) 52

\*0790 SOUTHERN CLINICAL SUPPORT DIVISION STAFF—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many full-time equivalent (FTE) staff were employed by NSW in the Southern Clinical Support Division (Cluster) on 1 August 2011?
- (2) Where were they based?
- (3) Where was the chief executive based?
- (4) What was the annual remuneration package of the Chief executive of the Southern Clinical Support Division?
- (5) (a) How many staff members of the Southern Clinical Support Division were paid a total remuneration package of over \$100,000 per year?  
 (b) Of these staff paid over \$100,000 per year, how many will be devolved back into Local Health Districts?

Answer—

- (1) to (5) This Government is continuing to deliver on its promise to devolve responsibility and accountability within the health system. In line with this commitment, on 24 August 2011, I announced the outcomes of the Governance Review of NSW Health.

One of the key reforms announced is that the Northern, Southern and Western bureaucratic "Clusters" introduced by Labor will be abolished, saving money and devolving most of these resources to Local Health Districts to be subject to local decision making.

The new structure will provide greater transparency and accountability; duplication of tasks will be stopped; and there will be greater clarity of roles and responsibilities.

The "Future Governance Arrangements for NSW Health - Report of the Director-General" is available on the Department of Health website: [www.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au). This Report outlines the new governance arrangements aimed at ensuring NSW Health is a strong and resilient health system able to deliver the excellent health outcomes we expect for our patients and the broader community.

\*0791 LONG BAY GAOL STAFF—Mr Michael Daley asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) How many full-time equivalent (FTE) staff worked at Long Bay gaol, the Long Bay hospital and Forensic Hospital as of 1 June 2011?
- (2) What is the breakdown of staff numbers at each facility?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) There is no facility known as "Long Bay Gaol". Long Bay Correctional Complex contains Long Bay Hospital, the Metropolitan Special Programs Centre, and the Special Purpose Centre, each of which is separately proclaimed as a correctional centre; and the Corrective Services Inner Metropolitan Regional Administration Office. The Forensic Hospital is administered by Justice Health, and that portion of the question should be directed to the Minister for Health.

As of 26 September 2011, 750.76 full-time equivalent (FTE) staff worked at facilities and offices within Long Bay Correctional Complex.

- (2) It is inappropriate to provide a breakdown of the roles of staff for security reasons.

\*0792 SOUTHERN CLINICAL SUPPORT DIVISION—STAFF DEVOLVED—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many staff, as a result of the Government's health restructure, will be devolved from the Southern Clinical Support Division to the South Eastern Sydney LHD?
- (2) What role will they now be acting in at the South Eastern Sydney LHD?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) On 24 August 2011 I announced the outcome of the Governance Review of NSW Health. The proposed changes are outlined in detail in the report titled "Future Arrangements for Governance of NSW Health - Report of the Director-General". A copy of this report is available on the Department of Health's website: [www.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au)

Services currently managed by the Health Reform Transition Organisations will be devolved to other health entities, principally to Local Health Districts. Full details will be confirmed when the final transition plan is completed, which is scheduled to occur by the end of October 2011.

\*0793 MOST ACCIDENT-PRONE INTERSECTIONS—Mr Michael Daley asked 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 ten intersections with the most recorded accidents in the Maroubra electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The RTA's crash data system 'Crashlink' records all fatal, injury and towaways crashes. Crashlink is able to provide a list of the intersections with the greatest number of road crashes (vehicle or pedestrian).

However the RTA does not analyse locations on the basis of the greatest number of crashes, it analyses crashes based on type of crash and severity so that resources are focused on addressing locations experiencing more severe (fatality and injury) crashes.

Therefore, crash data relating to particular intersections, such as the following for the Maroubra electorate, does not automatically warrant blackspot road safety measures being implemented.

- (2) The intersections with the greatest number of crashes in the Maroubra electorate are:

- Bunnerong Road and Anzac Parade (Nineways);
- Bunnerong Road and Wentworth Avenue;
- Anzac Parade and Maroubra Road;
- Fitzgerald Avenue and Malabar Road;
- Bunnerong Road and Botany Road;
- Anzac Parade and Fitzgerald Avenue;
- Avoca Street and Rainbow Street;
- Anzac Parade and Boyce Road;
- Bunnerong Road and Flint Street;
- Denison Street and Wentworth Avenue.

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\*0794 SYDNEY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL NETWORK—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Where is the Sydney Children's Hospital Network (Randwick and Westmead) based?
- (2) How many full-time equivalent (FTE) staff work for the specialty health network?
- (3) How will the Sydney Children's Hospital at Randwick be affected by the establishment of the new Sydney Children's Hospital Network in terms of services provided and collaboration between other services such as the Children's Hospital at Westmead, NETS, PSN and others?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network consists of The Children's Hospital at Westmead, Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick, Newborn and Paediatric Emergency Transport Service, NSW Pregnancy and Newborn Service Network, the Children's Court Clinic and Bear Cottage.
- (2) 3,916 FTE staff work for the Network (as at 31 August 2011).
- (3) The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network (SCHN) is a key feature of the NSW Kids Strategy as recommended in the Garling Inquiry. It is designed to harness the strengths of Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick and The Children's Hospital at Westmead and in the future bring together other key paediatric services.

By sharing resources and harnessing the strengths of both hospitals, we will see the development of new clinical networks, new models of coordinated care, new partnerships and a boost to the research, training and development capacity of both hospitals.

\*0795 RECURRENT FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY CENTRES—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

What is the total amount of recurrent funding that all of the community centres in the Maroubra electorate received from Community Services or through any other grants program in 2010-2011 and specifically:

- (a) Kooloora Community Centre;
- (b) The Junction Neighbourhood Centre;
- (c) Botany Family and Children's Centre?

Answer—

In 2010-11, the Department of Family and Community Services, Community Services budget provides information on funding to non-government providers. Botany Family and Children's Centre is neither located in the Maroubra electorate nor a community centre.

\*0796 EASTERN BEACHES LOCAL AREA COMMAND—PROBATIONARY CONSTABLES—Mr Michael Daley 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—

How many probationary constables did Eastern Beaches Local Area Command (LAC) receive in the May 2011 and August 2011 attestations?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that the Eastern Beaches Local Area Command was allocated two Probationary Constables from the May 2011 attestation and a further four Probationary Constables from the August 2011 attestation.

\*0797 PUBLIC AND HIGH SCHOOL FTE STAFF—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What is the total current full-time equivalent (FTE) staff employed in 2011 at public and high schools in the Maroubra electorate in Department of Education and Communities Schools?
- (2) What is the breakdown of FTE staff numbers per school?
- (3) What is the breakdown of FTE staff numbers per school broken down by the following position:
  - (a) teachers;
  - (b) support staff;
  - (c) administration?

Answer—

- (1) At census day 2011 government schools in the Maroubra electorate had a total of 321.752 full-time equivalent positions.

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- (2) and (3) The total full-time equivalent positions at each school and a breakdown by teachers and by school administrative and support staff (SASS) including school administrative manager, school administrative officer, school learning support officer, SASS supplementation, Aboriginal education officer and general assistant positions is as follows:

	Actual 2011 Teacher FTE	Actual 2011 SASS FTE	Total Actual 2011 FTE
Banksmeadow Public School	15.25	5.537	20.787
Botany Public School	10.846	1.937	12.783
Chifley Public School	12.998	2.337	15.335
John Brothie Nursery School	2.378	2.696	5.074
La Perouse Public School	5.541	1.896	7.437
Malabar Public School	14.277	2.422	16.699
Maroubra Bay Public School	10.614	1.806	12.42
Maroubra Junction Public School	34.075	4.262	38.337
Matraville Public School	15.84	2.347	18.187
Matraville Soldiers Settlement Public School	13.035	4.647	17.682
Matraville Sports High School	37.5	11.982	49.482
Pagewood Public School	10.636	1.922	12.558
South Coogee Public School	27.212	3.977	31.189
South Sydney High School	54.1	9.682	63.782
TOTAL	264.302	57.45	321.752

\*0798 REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF NSW KIDS—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) At what stage is the current review of the implementation of NSW Kids as recommended by Commissioner Garling?
- (2) When is the review expected to be released?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) The Expert Group convened to advance the implementation of Recommendations 9, 10 and 11 of the Garling Report (concerning the establishment of a Children and Young People's Health Authority, to be known as NSW Kids) held its inaugural meeting on 15 September 2011. The Chair of the Expert Group is expected to report by the end of the year.

\*0799 SCHOOLS AS COMMUNITY CENTRES—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Education—

- (1) What schools in the Maroubra electorate operated in the Schools as Community Centres program in June 2010?
- (2) What schools operated as Schools as Community Centres in August 2011.

Answer—

- (1) In June 2010 there was one Schools as Community Centres project in the Maroubra electorate located at Maroubra Bay Public School, outreaching to the South Coogee community.
- (2) No schools operated as Schools as Community Centres in August 2011.

As a result of increased enrolments at Maroubra Bay Public School in 2011, the school was no longer able to accommodate the project which closed on 30 June 2011.

The Department of Education and Communities has been advised that the South Randwick Community Hub project has been funded through the Families NSW strategy for a three-year period in 2011-12 to 2013-14, to continue the provision of support to families with young children in the Maroubra area.

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\*0800 SOUTHERN CLINICAL SUPPORT DIVISION SERVICES—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) Could the Minister advise and provide a list of exactly what services were provided by the Southern Clinical Support Division (Cluster)?
- (2) Can the Minister confirm that each and every one of these services will continue to be provided by each of the Local Health Districts in the Southern Cluster (i.e. South Eastern Sydney LHD, Illawarra Shoalhaven LHD, Murrumbidgee LHD, Southern NSW LHD)?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) On 24 August 2011 I announced the outcome of the Governance Review of NSW Health. The proposed changes are outlined in detail in the report titled "Future Arrangements for Governance of NSW Health - Report of the Director-General". A copy of this report is available on the Department of Health's website: [www.health.nsw.gov.au](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au)

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\*0801 CHICHESTER PIPELINE—LEAD POISONING—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Are farmers along the Chichester pipeline concerned about the pipeline shedding lead and the potential lead poisoning of livestock?
- (2) Has the Government ordered Hunter Water to test the areas along the pipeline from Chichester to residential Shortland, following the death of a calf from lead poisoning?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) Some farmers and their livestock have been affected by the contamination legacy caused by the shedding of the lead collars used to seal the joints along the Chichester pipeline.
- (2) Hunter Water Corporation has been undertaking testing in its management of the contamination issue.

\*0802 LONGWORTH AVENUE PAVEMENT REHABILITATION—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) When will Hunter Water Corporation begin the design process for the replacement of the two trunk mains in Longworth Avenue, Wallsend, namely Valve house and Newcastle Road pumping station, constructed in 1884 and 1902 respectively, to allow Newcastle City Council to undertake the necessary major road rehabilitation works in the street?
- (2) What will be the cost of the replacement of the two trunk mains?
- (3) How long will the project to replace the two trunk mains take?

Answer—

- (1) Hunter Water is yet to be contacted by Newcastle City Council regarding road works in Longworth Avenue. Hunter Water is currently upgrading the Wallsend Pump Station.
- (2) Project costs would depend on the scope and complexity of the works required.
- (3) Project timeframes would depend on the necessary planning approvals, as well as the scope and complexity of the works required.

\*0803 TRAIN SECURITY ON HUNTER LINE—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) In the light of the tragic and needless death of a defenceless, homeless man travelling on a train in the early hours between Newcastle and Cardiff, can the Minister assure commuters that there are security guards on each and every train to ensure their safety?
- (2) Why was the Minister initially unable to confirm if there were security guards on the train the elderly man was travelling on?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Transit Officers are deployed to the areas and at the times they are most needed based on gathered intelligence.

In May 2011, RailCorp increased the presence of Transit Officers in the Central Coast and Hunter areas from 7 on night shift on Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays to 24 patrolling trains and stations 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.

\*0804 HUNTER WATER—PAYMENT OF DIVIDENDS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) Has the Government reneged on its promise to freeze dividend payments from Hunter Water which are vital for water infrastructure and other water programs?
- (2) Is this increase likely to cause an increase in water charges to consumers in the Hunter?

Answer—

- (1) Hunter Water's State of Corporate Intent for 2011-12 can be found on the NSW Parliamentary website.
- (2) Hunter Water's pricing is set by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal.

\*0805 ROLL OUT OF JUSTICE LINK—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) Has the roll out of Justice Link for Civil matters been completed for the:
  - (a) Local Court;
  - (b) District Court;
  - (c) Supreme Court?
- (2) If the answer to any of the categories above is no, when is it anticipated it will be completed?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) (a) to (c) Yes.
- (2) Not applicable.

\*0806 SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

What programs and initiatives and at what cost are run by Corrective Services to provide supported accommodation to people leaving custody who are at risk of homelessness?

Answer—

I am advised:

Corrective Services NSW is lead agency for 3 projects under the NSW Homelessness Action Plan:

- Targeted Housing Support for ex-prisoners: a 3-year project 2010-2013 with a budget of \$980,000 per annum;
- People refused bail on the basis of homelessness: a 3-year project 2009-2012 with a budget of \$220,000 per annum; and
- Sustaining tenancies for ex-prisoners in Far West NSW: a 3-year project 2010-2013 with a budget of \$180,000 per annum.

In addition, Community Offender Support Program Centres (COSPs) provide accommodation to people leaving custody or subject to community based sentences who are at risk of homelessness.

Corrective Services NSW also provides funding to three non-government organisations for supported or transitional accommodation to recently released prisoners. These include Guthrie House, Glebe House and Rainbow Lodge. Details are provided in the Department of Attorney General and Justice Annual Report.

\*0807 COMPLIANCE AND MONITORING OFFICERS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) How many Compliance and Monitoring Officers are employed by Correctional Services?
- (2) How many Home visits to offenders have been carried out by Compliance and Monitoring Officers in the period:
  - (a) 1 January 2010 to 30 June 2010;
  - (b) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
  - (c) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011?

Answer—



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I am advised:

- (1) As of 26 September 2011, Corrective Services NSW employed 71 Compliance and Monitoring Officers and 17 Senior Compliance and Monitoring Officers.
- (2) In the periods in question, Compliance and Monitoring Officers have carried out the following numbers of visits to offenders (including home visits, field visits and workplace visits):
  - (a) 19,340.
  - (b) 16,161.
  - (c) 18,040.

\*0808 COMMUNITY OFFENDER SUPPORT PROGRAM CENTRES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many offenders have been dealt with by Community Offender Support Program Centres in the following periods:

- (a) 1 January 2010 to 30 June 2010;
- (b) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
- (c) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011?

Answer—

I am advised:

The following statistics relate to individual offenders who entered a Community Offender Support Program Centre and stayed at least one night:

- (a) 233 offenders on 255 occasions.
- (b) 237 offenders on 251 occasions
- (c) 222 offenders on 249 occasions.

\*0809 CASUAL CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many casual correctional officers were employed in NSW in these periods:

- (a) 1 January 2010 to 30 June 2010;
- (b) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
- (c) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (a) 273 new casual correctional officers were employed between 1 January 2010 and 30 June 2010.
- (b) 66 new casual correctional officers were employed between 1 July 2010 and 31 December 2010.
- (c) 71 new casual correctional officers were employed between 1 January 2011 and 30 June 2011.

\*0810 COURT REFERRAL OF ELIGIBLE DEFENDANTS INTO TREATMENT—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

What was the outcome of the Court Referral of Eligible Defendants Into Treatment (CREDIT) Program commenced in Tamworth and Burwood Courts in August 2009?

Answer—

The Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research will be completing its evaluation of the CREDIT program by the end of 2012.

\*0811 YOUTH CONDUCT ORDER PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

What has been the result of the 2-year trial of the new Youth Conduct Order Program commenced in 1 July 2009 in the New England, Camperdown and Mt Druitt local area commands?

Answer—

I am advised:

Following an interim evaluation, the pilot project has been extended to February 2012 and the number of participating Local Area Commands (LACs) has been increased to include Liverpool, Macquarie Fields, Blacktown and St Marys LACs.

\*0812 INCIDENTS OF SELF HARM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—  
How many incidents of self harm occurred in Juvenile Justice Centres in NSW in the following periods:

- (a) 1 January 2010 to 30 June 2010;
- (b) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
- (c) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011?

Answer—

- (a) 1 January 2010 to 30 June 2010—96
- (b) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010—69
- (c) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011—79

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

\*0813 COBHAM JUVENILE JUSTICE CENTRE—CUSTODIAL ACCOMMODATION UNITS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) Has the construction of three custodial accommodation units at Cobham Juvenile Justice Centre commenced?
- (2) If so, what progress has been made in construction?

Answer—

Stage 1 of the Cobham Juvenile Justice Centre redevelopment project, which is the construction of the three accommodation units, new car parking and infrastructure work, is 30 per cent complete.

\*0814 BAIL ASSISTANCE LINE—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

What progress has been made in piloting a Bail Assistance line for young people in Sydney, Newcastle and Dubbo?

Answer—

The Bail Assistance Line has been operational since June 2010. The service commenced in Dubbo in June 2010 and expanded to include the south-western Sydney metropolitan region in August 2010 and the Newcastle/Hunter region in November 2010.

Since its launch, the Bail Assistance Line has received approximately 165 calls for assistance, providing transport, advice, case support and assessment services, as well as providing safe accommodation for 46 young people. The Bail Assistance Line has successfully diverted young people who, without access to such a service, could have ended up in detention.

Following an analysis of demand for services, resources providing supported accommodation for the Dubbo pilot were diverted to enhance bed availability in the Sydney metropolitan area effective September 2011. Police within the Dubbo area are still able to access telephone services from the Bail Assistance Line.

\*0815 YOUTH JUSTICE CONFERENCING PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

- (1) How many referrals to the Youth Justice Conferencing Program were made in the following periods:
  - (a) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
  - (b) 1 January 2011 to 31 March 2011;
  - (c) 1 April 2011 to 30 June 2011?
- (2) How many Youth Justice Conferences were facilitated in the following periods:
  - (a) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
  - (b) 1 January 2011 to 31 March 2011;
  - (c) 1 April 2011 to 30 June 2011?

Answer—

- (1) (a) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010: 1,030
- (b) 1 January 2011 to 31 March 2011: 583
- (c) 1 April 2011 to 30 June 2011: 521

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Source: DAG/JJ SIS. 16 July 2011.

- (2) (a) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010: 800  
(b) 1 January 2011 to 31 March 2011: 405  
(c) 1 April 2011 to 30 June 2011: 432

Source: DAG/JJ SIS. 16 July 2011.

- \*0816 INTENSIVE SUPERVISION PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

What progress has been made in relation to the Intensive Supervision Program in Juvenile Justice?

Answer—

The Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) in Juvenile Justice has been in operation since May 2008. The program has been established in two locations, Newcastle and Western Sydney.

Over the last 12 months, 50 families commenced and 64 per cent completed the program.

Aboriginal families comprised 34 per cent of those that commenced the program. Of the Aboriginal families that commenced the ISP, 71 per cent completed the program.

The Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) will complete an evaluation of the ISP in 2012.

- \*0817 OAK FLATS POLICE STATION PARKING—Ms Anna Watson 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—

In relation to the new state-of-the art police station at Oak Flats, when will the Minister's office comply with council car parking controls for Crown Development Application(s) given that there are currently in excess of 300 employees with no provision for parking, which results in vehicles being parked in residential streets and the car park at Oak Flats Railway Station, to the disadvantage of local residents and commuters?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that the new Oak Flats police station has been constructed in accordance with the Council approved development application.

- \*0818 ROAD TRANSPORT AUTHORITY—MAXIMUM WIDTH REQUIREMENTS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

What policies and/or procedures does the Government have in place to allow businesses to transport inventory on NSW roads that are over the Road Transport Authority's maximum width requirements?

Answer—

I am advised:

The width dimension limit for vehicles in NSW and nationally is 2.5 metres. This width dimension limit is based on the national model law, which is adopted in NSW in the Road Transport (Vehicle Registration) Regulation 2007.

The Road Transport (Mass, Loading and Access) Regulation 2005 authorises the Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA) to issue exemptions to dimension limits via permits and notices.

The RTA issues oversize permits to operators for the transportation of indivisible loads which exceed 2.5 metres in width. The vehicles may only operate on specified routes, and are subject to access conditions to ensure the safety and protection of other road users and road infrastructure.

The RTA also allows vehicles transporting baled wool, hay and straw to exceed the 2.5 metre width limit up to a maximum of 2.7 metres wide via the Class 3 Baled Wool Exemption Notice 2011 and Class 3 Baled or Rolled Hay and Straw Exemption Notice 2011. These exemptions were introduced in recognition of the unique challenges of baling, loading and transportation of baled loads.

It is a condition that the baled load must be loaded within the 2.5 metre constructed width limit of the vehicle. An additional 100 millimetres either side of the load is allowed to accommodate the "bulge" that occurs during the loading and transportation of the particular baled products.

Loads of baled wool, hay and straw up to 2.6 metres wide have general access to the NSW network. Loads between 2.6 metres and 2.7 metres are subject to clearway, transit lane and critical location restrictions, and are subject to road safety conditions, including warning devices.

\*0819 DEVELOPMENT AT KAMIRA COURT, VILLAWOOD—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Can the Minister confirm the status of the Department of Housing development at Kamira Court, Villawood?

Answer—

The project is the responsibility of the Hon. Greg Pearce MLC, Minister for Finance and Services.

\*0820 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING REFORMS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Education—

(1) (a) Is the Government intending to implement Vocational Education and Training reforms that are being proposed in the upcoming Commonwealth of Australian Governments meeting?

(b) If so, how will the reforms effect the funding of NSW TAFE, in particular the Western Sydney Institute of TAFE?

(2) How will the changes affect the access of residents in the Fairfield electorate to TAFE courses?

Answer—

New South Wales has agreed to the nationally agreed framework of objectives and principles, and is in the process of considering reform.

TAFE NSW will continue to play a central role in our vocational education and training system.

\*0821 RECRUITS FROM NON-ENGLISH SPEAKING BACKGROUNDS—Mr Guy Zangari 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—

What strategies does the Government intend to implement to attract more recruits from non-English speaking backgrounds into the NSW Police Force?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that its Recruitment Branch has developed and implemented a number of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) internationally recognised strategies to target and assist in the recruitment of persons from CALD communities. These strategies include, but are not limited to :

- police involvement in CALD job fairs, expos, schools and ethnic cultural events;
- special assistance programs for CALD recruits, such as bridging programs and language courses;
- promotion and advertising via ethnic media outlets and letterbox drops;
- adapting police uniform requirements and workplaces to the needs of CALD groups; and
- an ongoing working party focusing on recruitment from minority groups.

\*0822 CHANGES TO PROVISION OF TRANSIT OFFICERS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport—

(1) Has the Government made any changes to the provision of transit officers patrolling the CityRail services on the South line and Cumberland line?

(2) If so, how do the changes effect the patrolling of weekday night time services and weekend services?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) Transit Officers are deployed to the areas and at the times they are most needed based on intelligence received about security incidents and prior events.

\*0823 MERRYLANDS FIRE STATION—Mr Guy Zangari 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) Is the Merrylands Fire Station closed and deemed inoperative many days of the year because staff numbers fall below the minimum operational requirement?

(2) Considering the rate of growth in the Holroyd Community and the need to provide adequate fire services, will the Government make funding available to ensure Merrylands Fire Station remains operative every day throughout the year?

Answer—

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Fire and Rescue NSW has advised me:

- (1) and (2) Merrylands Fire Station is staffed by retained firefighters. It is surrounded by fire stations at Parramatta, Wentworthville, Smithfield, Guildford and Silverwater, staffed by permanent firefighters, which provide adequate response coverage to the Merrylands area.

A recruitment campaign has recently occurred and additional retained firefighters are expected to be appointed in the near future, which will enhance the response capability at Merrylands.

- \*0824 FUNDING FOR SPEED MITIGATION DEVICES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

Given that the Roads and Transport Authority has recently announced a streamlining of the speed limits around certain thoroughfares in the Fairfield electorate, what funding has been made available to local councils, particularly Fairfield City Council and Holroyd City Council, to install speed mitigation devices to ensure compliance with the new speed limits in areas affected by the change?

Answer—

I am advised:

The review of the speed limits on local roads in the Fairfield local government area, as part of the NSW audit of speed zones, recommends a reduction of the speed limit from 60 km/h to 50 km/h on various streets. The default urban speed limit is 50 km/h and does not require any speed mitigation measures to be installed.

The cost of signposting the changed speed limit, including public notification of the change, will be met by the Roads and Traffic Authority. There is no other cost associated with the speed limit change.

- \*0825 PROVISION TO MONITOR TRAFFIC ON LOCAL ROADS—Mr Guy Zangari 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—

Given the Roads and Transport Authority has recently announced a streamlining of the speed limits around certain thoroughfares in the Fairfield electorate, what provisions have been made for local police to monitor traffic on local roads, particularly thoroughfares effected by the recent streamlining of local speed limits?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me that the Roads and Traffic Authority has standardised speed limits at 50 kph in a section of the Fairfield Local Government Area from 28 September 2011. These changes are being publicised via letterbox drops, advertisements and media releases as well as street signage.

Police will allow a short grace period for drivers to become aware of and accustomed to the new speed limits, following which traffic laws will be enforced as part of ongoing traffic policing in the area. The Fairfield Local Area Command will continue to monitor traffic flow and promote road safety through compliance with traffic laws.

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- \*0826 EXTENSION OF MOUNT DRUITT RAILWAY STATION—Mr Richard Amery asked 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?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Any potential extension of existing railway stations will be undertaken as part of the Government's long term transport plans.  
(2) NA.

- \*0827 BUS ROUTE 413—Ms Linda Burney asked 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?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) Where the frequency of services may become insufficient to cater for increased demand on a particular route, State Transit will schedule extra services for the route.

0828 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR FUNERALS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0829 PUBLIC HOUSING—CANTERBURY ELECTORATE—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

\*0830 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—

Since 26 March 2011:

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(2) What meetings, if any, have you or members or your staff had with registered lobbyists?

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(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?

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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?

Answer—

(1) to (3) My staff and I meet with many stakeholders in relation to matters of relevance to my portfolio responsibilities. Arrangements for meetings are made in accordance with the requirements of the NSW Government Lobbyist Code of Conduct.

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\*0831 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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- (4) Appointments to Government Boards and Committees are made in accordance with the NSW Government's Guidelines for NSW Board and Committee Members: Appointments and Remuneration and Premier's Memorandum No 2011-13 Lobbying of NSW Government Officials.
- 0832 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0833 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 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—
- 0835 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0836 ADDITIONAL NURSES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0837 ADDITIONAL TEACHERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0838 ADDITIONAL TAFE TEACHERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0839 FUNDING FOR CAPITAL WORKS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0840 COFFS HARBOUR BASE HOSPITAL STAFF—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0841 PATIENTS ON HOME DIALYSIS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0842 PAMBULA HOSPITAL MATERNITY SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- \*0843 ASYLUM SEEKER SUPPORT—Ms Clover Moore asked 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?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Commonwealth is responsible for regulating the entry and stay of asylum seekers, and provides services specifically for them such as financial assistance. The NSW Government provides a range of services to vulnerable people more broadly, which may be accessed by, for example, asylum seekers living in the community.

- \*0844 WATER METERING IN MULTI-UNIT BUILDINGS—Ms Clover Moore asked 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?

Answer—

- (1) 2006.
- (2) One.
- (3) The building was newly constructed with 254 residential units.
- (4) Data logging equipment.
- (5) Sydney Water evaluated each data logger against eight criteria including accuracy, reliability, data transmission capability, cost and ease of integration with the billing system.
- (6) Technology is available to install and automatically read the volume of cold water supplied to individual units.
- (7) It may be possible to use remote meter reading technology to measure individual water usage in existing buildings.
- (8) Sydney Water is consulting key stakeholders about their proposed approach to implementation.

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

0846 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

\*0847 311 BUS SERVICE—Ms Clover Moore asked 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?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) Monthly patronage figures reported by STA for Route 311 in 2011 are:

January 2011	44,700
February 2011	49,218
March 2011	55,800
April 2011	46,694
May 2011	49,951
June 2011	46,504
July 2011	47,966
August 2011	50,488

(2) No clear pattern has emerged as yet. March is characteristically a busy month on the bus network as school and university students return to study. Patronage figures are within expected levels.

(3) An additional free taxi shopper service was introduced for frail aged residents on Billyard Avenue, Ithaca Road and Onslow Avenue. This service is managed by the Kings Cross Community Centre, and has been available since March 2011.

(4) The NSW Government will monitor Route 311 services and make service changes where warranted in response to changes in demand.



\*0848 IDENTITY SCANNERS—Ms Clover Moore asked 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?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Licensed premises that would be defined as 'organisations' under the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988 are subject to a range of requirements and restrictions under the Act relating to the collection, disclosure and protection of personal information.

Small businesses that are exempt from the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988, are advised by the NSW Privacy Commissioner to observe the Information Protection Principles available on the Privacy NSW website as a matter of good practice.

- (2) Nil.
- (3) An organisation that is covered by the National Privacy Principles in the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988 must generally not use or disclose personal information about an individual for a purpose other than the primary purpose of collection, with some exceptions.

The organisation must take reasonable steps to protect the personal information it holds from misuse and loss and from unauthorised access, modification or disclosure.

- (4) Those licensed premises subject to the National Privacy Principles in the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988 may retain the personal information for a period consistent with the purpose for which it was collected after which time, it is to be destroyed or permanently de-identified.

Small businesses that are exempt from the Act are advised by the NSW Privacy Commissioner to observe the data protection principles available on the NSW Privacy website as a matter of good practice.

- (5) The NSW Government has not provided any such guidelines. An information sheet is available on the Australian Information Commissioner's website regarding the scanning of proof of identity documents by organisations that are subject to the Commonwealth Privacy Act 1988.
- (6) Nil.

\*0849 GREY NURSE SHARK PROTECTIONS—Ms Clover Moore asked 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?

Answer—

The Government is committed to ensuring the conservation needs of the grey nurse shark are met well into the future.

Three months of community consultation were recently undertaken on conservation of grey nurse shark.

The Government's long-term evidence-based strategy will be guided by the feedback from this consultation, further targeted consultation and the recommendations of the Independent Scientific Audit of Marine Parks.

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

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

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Answer—

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0853 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0854 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

0855 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

0857 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

\*0858 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson asked 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 asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

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\*0861 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson asked 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—

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

\*0864 MEETINGS WITH LOBBYISTS—Mr John Robertson asked the Treasurer—

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

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

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

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

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\*0870 VETERINARY OFFICER NUMBERS—Mr Richard Amery asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) How many veterinary officers are employed by the Department of Primary Industries?
- (2) At what offices of the department are these veterinary officers located?
- (3) Will there be any reduction in these officer numbers as a result of the 2011-12 Budget?

Answer—

(1) Fifteen Veterinary Officers.

(2) Elizabeth Macarthur Agricultural Institute Menangle, Wollongbar, Tamworth, Dareton, Wagga Wagga, Armidale, West Pennant Hills, Orange, Bourke and Goulburn.

(3) No.

0871 PRESCHOOL FEE RELIEF FOR ABORIGINAL FAMILIES—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—

0872 TEACHER SALARY CUTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

0873 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0874 LOSS OF SOLAR INDUSTRY JOBS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0875 SCIENCE FACILITY POSITIONS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 0876 ENHANCEMENT FOR PARKES HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0877 ISOLATED PARENT TRANSPORT AND ACCOMMODATION ASSISTANCE SCHEME—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0878 RADIOTHERAPY SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0879 FIGTREE HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0880 CORRIMAL DAY CARE PROGRAM—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 0881 DISABILITY SERVICES IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- \*0882 RESOURCES FOR REGIONS PROGRAM—Mr Ryan Park asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—
- (1) Given the role mining plays in the Illawarra, will the region be included in the \$160 million Resources for Regions program?
- (2) When will this program commence allocating funds?
- Answer—
- The NSW Government recognises that mining regions face particular challenges and is committed to supporting these communities through a new program, Resources for Regions.
- Through this program the Government will spend up to \$160 million extra over four years from Restart NSW funds on infrastructure projects in mining affected communities.
- The first phase of implementation, now underway, involves an economic assessment of mining affected communities to establish the amount of mining royalties generated by these communities and the funding being returned to them through infrastructure and service provision.
- The Illawarra contains mining affected communities and this will be reflected in the economic assessment.
- It is anticipated that the economic assessment will be completed by 31 December 2011.
- 0883 TRAINING OPTIONS FOR RETRENCHED WORKERS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0884 ILLAWARRA ADVANTAGE FUND—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- \*0885 ECOLOGICAL DEER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- (1) How much funding has the Government allocated to the Ecological Deer Management program for this financial year?
- (2) Will the Government make a commitment to increase this funding by \$50,000 per annum to enable the project to be fully implemented?
- Answer—
- (1) and (2) The Government has committed \$115,585.00 to the Ecological Deer Management program.
- 0886 PRIMARY HEALTH CARE FACILITY AT BULLI HOSPITAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0887 SYDNEY WATER AND HUNTER WATER CORPORATION—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

0888 HUNTER WATER CORPORATION—PENSIONER DISCOUNT—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

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0889 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING TENANTS RENTS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

\*0891 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

(1) What indicators will be used by the Department(s) of Trade and Investment to determine if NSW is No. 1?

(2) What indicators will be used by the Department of Regional Infrastructure to determine if NSW is No. 1?

Answer—

(1) and (2) The Government's performance targets are contained in "NSW 2021". It is publicly available.

0892 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0893 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—

0894 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

0896 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport—

0897 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

0898 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer—

\*0899 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

(1) What indicators will be used by the Department of Primary Industries to determine if NSW is No. 1?

(2) What indicators will be used by the Small Business portfolio to determine if NSW is No. 1?

Answer—

(1) and (2) The Government's performance targets are contained in "NSW 2021". It is publically available.

0900 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—

\*0901 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

(1) What indicators will be used by the Attorney General portfolio to determine if NSW is No. 1?

(2) What indicators will be used by the Justice portfolio to determine if NSW is No. 1?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Government's performance targets are contained in "NSW 2021". It is publically available.

0902 SOIL TESTING FOR LEAD CONTAMINATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

0903 CABRAMATTA COMMUTER CAR PARK—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Treasurer—

0904 ST JOHNS PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—

0905 MOUNT PRITCHARD PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—

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- 0906 MOUNT PRITCHARD EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0907 LES POWELL SCHOOL, MOUNT PRITCHARD—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0908 LANSVALE PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0909 LANSVALE EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0910 KING PARK PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0911 HARRINGTON STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0912 CANLEY VALE PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0913 CANLEY HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0914 BONNYRIGG PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0916 HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0917 ADDITIONAL BEDS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0918 COAG-FUNDED SUBACUTE BEDS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0919 NORTHERN BEACHES HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0920 RYDE HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0921 COMMUNITY PHARMACY—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0922 DELAYS OR BREAKDOWNS—BANKSTOWN LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- \*0923 FREIGHT TRAINS ON THE EAST HILLS LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—
- Given that the Transport Legislation Amendment Bill allows for freight trains to run at the same time as passenger trains, what action will the Minister take to prevent freight trains from delaying passenger trains on the East Hills line?
- Answer—
- The Transport Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 makes no changes to the times that freight trains operate on the network.
- \*0924 FREIGHT TRAINS ON THE BANKSTOWN LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—
- Given that the Transport Legislation Amendment Bill allows for freight trains to run at the same time as passenger trains, what action will the Minister take to prevent freight trains from delaying passenger trains on the Bankstown line?
- Answer—
- The Transport Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 makes no changes to the times that freight trains operate on the network.
- \*0925 PRIORITY FOR PASSENGER TRAINS—BANKSTOWN LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport—
- Will the Minister commit to passenger trains having priority over freight trains during both peak and off-peak periods throughout the day on the Bankstown line?
- Answer—

The Transport Legislation Amendment Bill 2010 makes no changes to the times that freight trains operate on the network.

0926 M90 AND M92 SERVICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—

0927 962 AND 922 SERVICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—

\*0928 LYSAGHT OVAL, FIGTREE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

- (1) Why was the \$2.5 million, committed by the Government prior to the election, to upgrade Lysaght Oval in Figtree not in the recent budget?
- (2) Why will the Government not allocate the money to the Wollongong City Council to be held in trust until a venue is considered to be satisfactory to the Government?

Answer—

- (1) \$2.5 million was granted by the previous government specifically for the upgrade of Lysaght Oval. It was conditional on funding both the purchase of the land from the private owner, and the required work to complete the project. The allocation was not carried forward in the budget as \$2.5 million is not sufficient to fund both the land purchase and the required upgrade.
- (2) As the grant was specifically for Lysaght Oval the funds cannot simply be transferred to another project. Any proposal for an alternative site will require a new business case and will be considered on its merits like any other project funding application.

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0929 MOUNT DRUITT COURT HOUSE—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0930 TILLEGRA DAM—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

0931 JUSTICE ACCESS CENTRE—WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0932 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

0933 HIGHER FEES FOR PUBLIC PRESCHOOLS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—

0934 CABRAMATTA WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—

0935 CABRAMATTA PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—

0936 TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGIES UPGRADE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0937 UPGRADE OF CELL CALL AND DURESS SYSTEMS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0938 LEGAL-E-SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0939 TECHNOLOGY UPGRADES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0940 DEVELOPMENT OF A JUSTICE PRECINCT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0941 LAW COURTS BUILDING, QUEENS SQUARE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0942 RATE OF ASSAULT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0943 INMATE TRANSPORT VEHICLE FLEET—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—



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- 0944 MAGISTRATES EARLY REFERRAL INTO TREATMENT PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0945 ACTION TAKEN AGAINST NIGEL HADGKISS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0946 SEXUAL ASSAULT COMMUNICATIONS PRIVILEGE REFERRAL PROJECT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0947 NSW TRUSTEE AND GUARDIAN—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0948 TRANSITION TASK FORCE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0949 WAGGA WAGGA BASE HOSPITAL INTERNS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0950 ANTENATAL CLASSES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0951 STATEWIDE NSW PAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0952 SCHOOL MINOR WORKS PROGRAM—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0953 DEMOUNTABLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM—GEORGES HALL PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0954 DEMOUNTABLE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM—BANKSTOWN NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0955 BANKSTOWN GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0956 PUNCHBOWL BOYS HIGH SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0957 BASS HILL HIGH SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0958 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer—
- 0959 HIGHLY ACCOMPLISHED TEACHERS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0960 SCHOOL BASED MANAGEMENT PILOT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0961 POLICE CITIZENS YOUTH CLUBS—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—
- 0962 AUDIT OF LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 0963 AIR QUALITY MONITORING SITES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- 0964 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS FUNDING—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

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- 0965 PROPERTIES MANAGED BY NON-GOVERNMENT AGENCIES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0966 ACCESS AND PARKING AT FUTURE NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0967 WALLSEND-GLENDALE HISTORIC TRAMWAY WALKWAY/SHARED PATHWAY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- \*0968 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR REFUGEES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- Will the Government be providing financial assistance for refugees who were settled in Newcastle under a resettlement program with accommodation services provided by Resolve FM?
- Answer—
- The Department of Family and Community Services does not fund Resolve FM.
- The Department funds a number of other non-government organisations in the Hunter Central Coast Region which provide a range of support services for families and children in the Newcastle area, including projects designed to work with families from a refugee background.
- 0969 RURAL FIRE SERVICE TANKERS—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—
- 0970 CABRAMATTA COMMUTER CAR PARK—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Transport—
- \*0971 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- Does the Premier propose to appoint a new Commissioner to the Police Integrity Commission and if so, when?
- Answer—
- The Hon. Jerrold Cripps QC holds office as the acting Commissioner for the Police Integrity Commission under clause 2 of Schedule 1 of the Police Integrity Commission Act 1996.
- 0972 CLINICAL NURSE EDUCATORS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0973 DENTAL BUDGET—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0974 OUT OF HOSPITAL CARE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0975 BETTER WORKPLACES FOR TEACHERS AND NURSES PROGRAM—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0976 FEE FOR PROCESSING BLOOD PRODUCTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0977 CONNECTING CARE PROGRAM—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0978 HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0979 EXPANSION OF NRE MINES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0980 BULLI HOSPITAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0981 SUBJECTS OFFERED—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0982 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr 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—
- 0983 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0984 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- \*0987 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Fair Trading—  
What indicators will be used in the Fair Trading portfolio to determine if NSW is No. 1?  
Answer—  
The Government's performance targets are contained in "NSW 2021". It is publicly available.
- 0988 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
- 0989 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- \*0990 INDICATORS TO BE USED—Mr Clayton Barr asked the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—  
(1) What indicators will be used in the Citizenship and Communities portfolio to determine if NSW is No. 1?  
(2) What indicators will be used in the Aboriginal Affairs portfolio to determine if NSW is No. 1?  
Answer—  
(1) and (2) The Government's performance targets are contained in "NSW 2021". It is publically available.
- 0992 CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION OF PCYC CENTRES—Mr Clayton Barr 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—
- 0993 FEDERAL FUNDING INCLUDED IN BUDGET—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer—
- \*0994 TACKLING VIOLENCE PROGRAM—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Sport and Recreation—  
Does the NSW Government intend to continue to support the Tackling Violence Program at its present level?  
Answer—  
An evaluation of the Tackling Violence program is underway. It is being conducted by Jumbunna House of Indigenous Learning at the University of Technology, Sydney. The evaluation will be completed in December 2011.  
The findings of the evaluation will provide evidence for the Government in its consideration of the program's future.
- 0995 FEES PAID FOR CONSULTATION—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0996 COST OF REVIEW—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0997 TRANSFER OF HOUSING NSW ASSETS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

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- 0998 TRANSFER OF HOUSING NSW STAFF—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0999 WORKCOVER NSW OFFICES—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1000 INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARDS—Mr John Flowers to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1001 HIGHLY ACCOMPLISHED TEACHERS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1002 SCHOOL BASED MANAGEMENT PILOT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1003 CUTS IN NURSING POSITIONS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1004 HERITAGE LISTED PROPERTIES—99-YEAR LEASES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1005 OXFORD STREET CLEARWAY—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1006 BICYCLES ON PUBLIC TRANSPORT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1007 COMPANION ANIMALS ON RAILCORP LAND—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1008 LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN—CONSULTATION—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1009 LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN—REVIEW—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1010 FUNDING FOR "DITTO'S KEEP SAFE ADVENTURE"—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1011 ADDITIONAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY TEACHERS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1012 TEACHER NUMBERS—BEGINNING OF SCHOOL YEAR 2011—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1013 TEACHER NUMBERS—30 JUNE 2011—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1014 NEWTOWN STATION UPGRADE—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1015 TRAIN STATIONS—CAPITAL ALLOCATION AND PROJECTS PROPOSED—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Transport—

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- 1016 COMMUTER CAR PARK—ST MARYS RAILWAY STATION—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1017 SPENDING ON HEALTH SERVICES—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1018 SPENDING ON EDUCATION—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1019 SPENDING ON FAIR TRADING—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- 1020 SPENDING ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

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- \*1021 SPENDING ON SPORT AND RECREATION—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Sport and Recreation—  
How much will be allocated in this year's State Budget to spend on sport and recreation in the Canterbury electorate?  
Answer—  
Sport and Recreation funding is not allocated in the State budget on an electorate basis. Eligible organisations within Canterbury electorate are able to apply for funding through a number of Sport and Recreation grant programs.
- 1022 NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY COUNCIL—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- \*1023 WOMEN'S AND MEN'S SPORT—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Sport and Recreation—  
(1) What is the difference between funding allocated to women's and men's sport in NSW?  
(2) What women's sports programs receive recurrent funding in NSW?  
Answer—  
(1) Sport and Recreation funding is not allocated to sports based on gender.  
(2) The Government supports a number of State sporting organisations and local sports that have a high proportion of women participating. Womensport and Recreation NSW receives an annual grant of \$10,000 in 2011-12.
- 1024 SAFETY OF WARATAH STATION COMMUTERS—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—
- 1025 BASS HILL SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOOL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer—
- 1026 FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR HENRY LAWSON DRIVE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1027 PRESCHOOLS IN ELECTORATE OF BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1028 PUBLIC HOUSING FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1029 GRAFFITI—ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—
- 1030 WARATAH CARRIAGES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1031 SCHOOLS CAPITOL WORKS FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1032 EASY ACCESS PROGRAM—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1033 ADDITIONAL EASY ACCESS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1034 REPLACEMENT AND GROWTH BUSES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1035 HOMELESSNESS—ELECTORATE OF BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- \*1036 ENERGY ACCOUNTS PAYMENT ASSISTANCE SCHEME—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—  
(1) Why did the Government not increase funding to the Energy Accounts Payment Assistance (EAPA) scheme as part of this year's budget?  
(2) What action will the Minister take to ensure that adequate EAPA vouchers are available in Bankstown over the next twelve months?  
Answer—  
(1) The Government's election commitments to assist households included increasing financial assistance for payment of energy bills by introducing the:

- Low Income Household Rebate and
- Family Energy Rebate.

The Low Income Household Rebate commenced on 1 July 2011 and provides eligible customers with a rebate of \$200 a year on their energy bills. This is an increase on the assistance offered by the former Government's energy rebate of \$145 per year.

(2) The department closely monitors stocks of vouchers at community welfare organisations (CWOs) participating in the EAPA scheme and encourages CWOs to contact the department if they are concerned about inadequate supplies.

As the Member has previously been advised, there remain a high number of EAPA vouchers at Bankstown-based CWOs, in addition to a number of CWOs located in surrounding suburbs.

- 1037 TRANSFER OF PUBLIC HOUSING TENANT—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1038 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 1039 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—
- 1040 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1041 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1042 BIRRONG BOYS HIGH SCHOOL—MAINTENANCE BUDGET—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1043 AUBURN NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL—MAINTENANCE BUDGET—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1044 BERALA PUBLIC SCHOOL—MAINTENANCE BUDGET—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1045 GRANVILLE SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL—MAINTENANCE BUDGET—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1046 FILLING OF VACANT POSITIONS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1047 CONDITIONS ASSESSMENT OF NSW GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1048 CENTRALLY-DEVELOPED SUPPLY CONTRACTS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1049 RISK OF HARM REPORTS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1050 NSW EDUCATION AND TRAINING CHILD WELLBEING UNIT—REPORTS MADE—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1051 NSW EDUCATION AND TRAINING CHILD WELLBEING UNIT—STAFF NUMBERS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1052 FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1053 FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL—NEW NURSES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1054 FAIRFIELD TRANSPORT INTERCHANGE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1055 BRIDGE OVER LOWER PROSPECT CANAL RESERVE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1056 PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Education—

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\*1057 LINNWOOD ESTATE—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

In reference to answer to Question 0649 that part of Linnwood Estate will be "disposed of to provide the much needed funding required to restore Linnwood House":

- (1) What time-line does the Government have in place to dispose of the property?
- (2) What options is the Government contemplating to dispose of the property?
- (3) Does it include selling the property?
  - (a) If so, has the Government already identified a potential buyer(s)?
  - (b) Further, if the Government has identified a potential buyer(s), who are they?

Answer—

- (1) Subject to rezoning of that part fronting Tamplin Road, disposal is not expected to be completed before the end of 2012.
- (2) Sale or long-term lease.
- (3) Yes.
  - (a) No.
  - (b) N/A.

1058 FUNDING FOR ARTERIAL AND LOCAL ROADS—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

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1059 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL DENTAL CLINIC—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) How many procedures have been carried out at the Mount Druitt Hospital dental clinic for the nine month period ending 30 September 2011?
- (2) How do these figures compare to the same period in:
  - (a) 2010;
  - (b) 2009?

1060 MILLFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL—FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

With respect to the election commitment made by the Member for Oxley and the Nationals candidate Alison Davey for funding to install 40 kph flashing lights at Millfield Public School:

- (1) Was the commitment contingent on the election of Alison Davey?
- (2) Will the Minister confirm that the Government will fulfil this commitment?
- (3) Will the money be available in the 2011-2012 budget?
- (4) If the funding is not forthcoming in the 2011-2012 budget, when will the funding be committed and available?

1061 FLASHING LIGHTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

With respect to 40 kph flashing lights for public schools:

- (1) How many schools will have the flashing lights installed in 2012?
- (2) Will any of them be in the Cessnock electorate?
- (3) What is the timeframe for completion of flashing lights at all NSW public schools?
- (4) What is the cost to complete all remaining flashing lights installations at NSW public schools?

1062 PUBLIC SERVICE JOB CUTS IN RESEARCH FACILITIES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Will there be any cuts to public service jobs in research facilities in the Hunter, including the following:

- (a) Hunter Medical Research Institute (HMRI);
- (b) John Hunter Hospital;

- (c) Calvary Mater Hospital?
- 1063 CORRECTIVE SERVICES NSW—PENALTIES IMPOSED—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- What penalties have been imposed by Corrective Services NSW on the private operators of Junee and Parklea Correctional Centres in the following periods:
- (a) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
  - (b) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011;
  - (c) 1 July 2011 to date?
- 1064 AIRFLIGHT EXPENDITURES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- What have been the airflight expenditures by your Department since 27 March 2011?
- 1065 NSW TRUSTEE AND GUARDIAN—ASSAULTS ON STAFF—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- How many assaults on staff have occurred at which offices of the NSW Trustee and Guardian in the periods:
- (a) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
  - (b) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011;
  - (c) 1 July 2011 to 30 September 2011?
- 1066 CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—EXTRA BEDS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) (a) How many and which correctional centres have had extra beds placed in them since 1 July 2008?
  - (b) Do they remain there?
  - (2) How many such beds contravene the minimum space allowed under the Public Health Regulation?
- 1067 CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—WALL MOUNTED RINGS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) How many and which correctional centres have wall mounted rings used to attach inmates by their handcuffs?
  - (2) How often and which ones have been utilised in the periods:
    - (a) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010;
    - (b) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011;
    - (c) 1 July 2011 to 30 September 2011?
- 1068 NEEDLE EXCHANGE PROGRAM—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Does the Attorney General propose a needle exchange program in any correctional centre?
  - (2) If so, in which ones and in what circumstances?
- 1069 FORUM SENTENCING—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- How many offenders have been dealt with by way of forum sentencing in the periods (a) 1 July 2010 to 31 December 2010, (b) 1 January 2011 to 30 June 2011, (c) 1 July 2011 to 30 September 2011 in the following local courts:
- (1) Burwood;
  - (2) Newtown;
  - (3) Balmain;
  - (4) Campbelltown;
  - (5) Camden;
  - (6) Liverpool;
  - (7) Picton;
  - (8) Moss Vale;
  - (9) Tweed Head;
  - (10) Any other court not included above?



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1070 INTENSIVE CORRECTION ORDERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many people are subject to Intensive Correction Orders as at:

- (a) 1 December 2010;
- (b) 1 February 2011;
- (c) 1 April 2011;
- (d) 1 July 2011;
- (e) 1 September 2011?

1071 OUTSTANDING BENCH WARRANTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many outstanding bench warrants are there in NSW as at 1 October 2011?

1072 OUTSTANDING WARRANTS—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—

As at 1 July 2011, how many outstanding warrants are there to apprehend and detain/imprison people in NSW?

1073 REPRESENTATIONS FROM THE NSW CRIME COMMISSION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

Given that there were two matters that were not proceeded with as a result of representations from the NSW Crime Commission (Question 0769):

- (1) Which are the two matters that were not proceeded with as a result of representations from the Crime Commission?
- (2) Who is/are the person(s) not proceeded against?

1074 COMMUNITY OFFENDER SUPPORT PROGRAM CENTRES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many offenders are located within which Community Offender Support Program (COSP) Centres as at:

- (a) 1 December 2010;
- (b) 1 February 2011;
- (c) 1 April 2011;
- (d) 1 July 2011?

1075 RIFLE SHOOTING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—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—

Regarding the proposal to introduce rifle shooting into NSW public schools:

- (1) What action will the Minister take to prevent this proposal from negatively impacting communities such as Bankstown?
- (2) What factors will the Government consider when determining whether such classes are appropriate for suburban schools?

1076 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
- (2) What is the timeline for this process?
- (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?

1077 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
- (2) What is the timeline for this process?

- (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?
- 1078 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
  - (2) What is the timeline for this process?
  - (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?
- 1079 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
  - (2) What is the timeline for this process?
  - (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?
- 1080 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
  - (2) What is the timeline for this process?
  - (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?
- 1081 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
  - (2) What is the timeline for this process?
  - (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?
- 1082 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
  - (2) What is the timeline for this process?
  - (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?
- 1083 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
  - (2) What is the timeline for this process?
  - (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?
- 1084 OFFERS OF VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCY—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- (1) How many people located in the Wollongong Local Government Area and employed by your agency will be offered voluntary redundancy?
  - (2) What is the timeline for this process?
  - (3) What information will be used to determine the positions identified as eligible for redundancy?
- 1085 INQUIRY INTO LYSAGHT OVAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- (1) What are the terms of reference for the inquiry into Lysaght Oval?
  - (2) Who will be undertaking the inquiry?
  - (3) Will the Government transfer the \$2.5 million that they announced earlier this year into Wollongong City Council Trust Fund?
- 1086 BULLI HOSPITAL URGENT CARE CENTRE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) What funding will be provided to Bulli Hospital to implement the Government's proposal for an Urgent Care Centre at the hospital?

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- (2) Will the Government now commit to an Integrated Primary Health Facility adjacent to the hospital?  
(a) If so when will this commence?  
(b) If not why?
- 1087 BULLI PCYC—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—  
(1) What additional funding will be allocated to the Bulli PCYC to replace its asbestos roof?  
(2) When will this work commence?  
(3) How long is the work expected to take?
- 1088 VISITS TO CRONULLA FISHERIES RESEARCH CENTRE—Mr Mark Speakman to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—  
When, as Minister, have you visited the Cronulla Fisheries Research Centre and when do you plan to do so in the next 12 months?
- 1089 COST OF SUPPLYING WATER FOR FISHERIES RESEARCH—Mr Mark Speakman to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—  
What will be the annual cost of supplying water for fisheries research relocated from the Cronulla Fisheries Research Centre of Excellence to Port Stephens and how is this calculated?
- 1090 SOURCE OF WATER SUPPLY FOR FISHERIES RESEARCH—Mr Mark Speakman to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—  
What will be the source of water supply for fisheries research relocated from the Cronulla Fisheries Research Centre of Excellence to Port Stephens?