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- 3863 COMPLAINTS RE MONTAGE GROUP PTY LTD—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- (1) Has the Department of Fair Trading received complaints about the actions of Montage Group Pty Ltd?
  - (2) Is this company connected to other companies such as Montage Group Volley Contract Pty Ltd and Volley Systems and Montage Group Pty Ltd?
    - (a) If so, how many complaints have been lodged against the above named companies?
  - (3) What has been the result of any such complaints?
- 3864 TAFE NSW SYDNEY INSTITUTE—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) How many positions are to be lost at TAFE NSW Sydney Institute?
  - (2) How many teaching positions are to be lost at TAFE NSW Sydney Institute?
    - (a) How many head teacher positions are to be lost?
    - (b) How many coordinator positions are to be lost?
  - (3) How many administrative positions are to be lost from TAFE NSW Sydney Institute?
  - (4) Why has TAFE NSW Sydney Institute refused to allow voluntary redundancies?
  - (5) Is Sydney Institute planning to review its administrative structure?

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- (a) If yes, when will this occur?
- (6) When TAFE tenders for a contract, what percentage of that contract is accounted for teaching costs?
- (7) In TAFE tenders, what percentage is accounted for administrative costs?
- (8) When TAFE tenders, what percentage is added for profit?
- 3865 SYDNEY PORTS CORPORATION—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW, Leader of the House—
- (1) What portion of the income of Sydney Ports Corporation is;
    - (a) Currently generated by Port Botany?
    - (b) Expected to be generated by Port Botany following the lease of Port Botany to the NSW Ports Consortium?
  - (2) What was the income of Sydney Ports Corporation for the;
    - (a) 2011-2012 financial year?
    - (b) 2010-2011 financial year?
  - (3) What is the projected income of Sydney Ports Corporation for the 2012-2013 financial year?
  - (4) What impact will the lease of Port Botany to the NSW Ports Consortium have on the income of Sydney Ports Corporation for the 2013-14 financial year?
  - (5) Is the annual income of Sydney Ports Corporation expected to decrease following the lease of Port Botany to the NSW Ports Consortium?
  - (6) Has any work been done to calculate how Sydney Ports Corporation will make up for the income shortfall as a result of the leasing of Port Botany?
  - (7) Which commercial wharves in Sydney, not used for Cruise Passenger Terminals, will remain in public ownership following the lease of Port Botany?
  - (8) Have there been any discussions or plans for Sydney Ports to intensify port uses and freight movements at White Bay and Glebe Island?
  - (9) Has there been consideration of the concerns of Leichhardt Council and the community regarding the traffic congestion that will result if all port traffic for White Bay and Glebe Island is not contained within a separate port road? If yes;
    - (a) What impact?
    - (b) What steps have been taken to address these concerns?
  - (10) Will all traffic for White Bay and Glebe Island be contained within a separate port road?
    - (a) If no, what portion of traffic relating to White Bay and Glebe Island will use the local council road network?
  - (11) What are the reasons for not containing all port traffic for White Bay and Glebe Island on a separate port road?
  - (12) What research and analysis is being undertaken of the costs and transport benefits of retaining versus removing Glebe Island Bridge?
  - (13) What is the community consultation plan relating to the decision to retain or remove Glebe Island Bridge?
  - (14) What consideration has been given to reinstating the Glebe Island Bridge as a pedestrian way, cycleway and potentially for Light Rail?
  - (15) What is the current position of Roads and Maritime services on whether to retain or remove the Glebe Island Bridge?
  - (16) What is the foreseen percentage of the Bays Precinct to be allocated for community use for open space and recreational purposes?
  - (17) Will the Minister commit to undertaking a comprehensive analysis of the economic, recreational, cultural and social benefits of establishing sporting fields at White Bay and in the Rozelle Railway Marshalling Yards?
- 3866 CONSTABLE EDUCATION PROGRAM—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) When did the Government make the decision to put a hold on accepting any new applications for the Constable Education Program and Rejoinee and Professional Mobility Employment applications?
  - (2) Can the Minister provide, in detail, the reasons for this decision?
  - (3) When will this program begin to process applications again?
- 3867 REMOVAL OF TREES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

In relation to the removal of trees currently underway on the Memorial Drive through Towradgi and Fairy Meadow:

- (1) Why are these trees being removed?
- (2) Why wasn't the area simply cleaned up and weeds and litter removed?
- (3) Are the trees getting removed because they were the wrong species?
- (4) What trees are they going to be replaced with?
- (5) How much did it cost to put the original trees in?
- (6) How much are the current works costing?
- (7) Are you concerned that the removal of the trees is a road safety issue given they serve to filter and reduce oncoming glare from motorists headlights in the other lanes?
  - (a) If so, what are you doing to address this? If not, why not?

3868 ECONOMIC ASSESSMENT OF MINING AFFECTED COMMUNITIES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

With regard to the Economic Assessment of Mining Affected Communities (February 2013) and the Economic Assessment of Mining Affected Communities (December 2011):

- (1) Are the figures/tables displaying coal royalties per Local Government Area factually incorrect in both reports?
- (2) If both sets of figures, in both reports, are factually incorrect, can you confirm that the figures offered in response to Q 3496 are accurate?
- (3) Can you confirm that the independent auditor responsible for reviewing both sets of data was Hill Rogers Spencer Steer?
- (4) In either report, did the auditing firm raise any concerns about the figures being used?
- (5) Are you confident that NSW received value for money in the auditing process given the factual errors that have been highlighted?
- (6) How can Cessnock, Lake Macquarie and Maitland LGA's have confidence that they have been fairly assessed and considered for funding when the process, data, tables, graphs and freight modelling used for this report have so many factual errors?
- (7) During the process, was the NSW Association of Mining Affected Councils consulted?

3869 NEWCASTLE URBAN RENEWAL STRATEGY—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW, Leader of the House—

- (1) Was detail, such as
  - (a) residential unit approvals over the past 10 years till 2012;
  - (b) the number of residential units constructed over past 10 years;
  - (c) whether approved, but not completed units remain ready for construction;
  - (a) the construction of residential units approved in 2013?

used to inform and develop the Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy 2012?

- (2) Did your office seek and gain information related to the development of Units and Residential Dwellings in the Newcastle CBD at any stage during the development of the Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy 2012?
- (3) Given that the Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy 2012 has identified an additional 6000 dwellings as a target, will the Government have any capacity to measure its performance against this target?
- (4) Given that the 2006 Revitalizing Newcastle City Centre document identified an additional 4000 dwellings, is the Government able to measure or monitor the success of that strategy?

3870 KURRI KURRI POLICE STATION—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—

With regard to Kurri Kurri Police Station:

- (1) Between what hours each day can residents attend Kurri Kurri Police Station to speak face-to-face with an officer without making an appointment?
- (2) If Kurri Kurri Police Station is unattended, what is the closest manned 24 hour Station that residents can attend to speak with an officer face-to-face without an appointment?



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3871 CENTRELINK CLEAN ENERGY SUPPLEMENT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

With regard to the Centrelink Clean Energy Supplement being included as income for social housing tenants:

(a) The letter to customers from Centrelink specifically states "this is a tax free payment and does not count as income for social security or family assistance purposes"

(b) The letter to clients from Family and Community Services states "the review was based on income information provided by Centreline"

(1) Why does the NSW Government define the supplement as income for determining social housing rents?

(2) How does the Government explain the contradictory statements in the two letters to social housing tenants?

3872 RENT ASSESSMENT INCLUDING CLEAN ENERGY SUPPLEMENT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

With regard to the Centrelink Clean Energy Supplement being included as income for social housing tenants:

(1) Are you aware that the

(a) Property Council of Australia used Carbon Price Modelling done by Allen Consulting Group and the modelling by the Allen Consulting Group shows a possible Carbon Price impact range of 1.3 per cent to 1.7 per cent?

(b) Housing Industry Association has released Carbon Price Modelling with a range from 0.8 per cent to 1.7 per cent?

(c) Stockland Group has factored in a Carbon Price impact to the delivery of housing at 0.6 per cent?

(2) Why has the Minister applied a possible Carbon Price impact at the highest end of the range provided by various industry groups?

(3) By assessing the Clean Energy Supplement as a source of income and at an assessment rate of 25 per cent, what will be the fortnightly increase to Housing NSW's income from Social Housing Rent?

3873 MINING RELATED HEAVY VEHICLE MOVEMENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

With regard to the Economic Assessment of Mining Affected Communities (February 2013) and the Strategic Freight Model used to estimate mining related heavy vehicle movements within an Local Government Area (LGA):

(1) What is the number of mining related truck movements each day in the

(a) Cessnock Local Government Area?

(b) Maitland Local Government Area?

(c) Lake Macquarie Local Government Area?

(d) All other Local Government Area's?

3874 COMPLAINT AVENUES—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Local Government, and Minister for the North Coast—

What avenues are open to constituents to have Council matters resolved when Council cuts services as proposed by Newcastle City Council including: rangers who look after barking dog complaints, noise complaints, too many animals complaints?

3875 TRAIN STATION SECURITY AND POLICE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport—

With regard to security on the NSW rail network:

(1) How many transit safety officers were employed in NSW as at;

(a) 1 March 2011?

(b) 1 March 2012?

(c) 1 March 2013?

(2) How many NSW Police Transit Officers were employed in NSW as at;

(a) 1 March 2012?

(b) 1 March 2013?

- (3) Since the introduction of NSW Police Transit Officers, how many arrests have been made anywhere within the Hunter?
- (4) Are there any times when the Hunter line had no Security rostered onto trains, be they Police Transit Officers and/or Transit Safety Officers?

3876 TRAIN STATIONS SECURITY—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport—

With regard to the train stations at Beresfield, Tarro, Greta and Branxton located in the Cessnock Electorate:

- (1) What security measures are currently in place?
- (2) Have any security measures been removed from these train stations since 1 July 2011?
- (3) What additional security measures have been implemented for these train stations since 1 July 2011?

3877 DEVONSHIRE STREET LIGHT RAIL AND LANES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport—

With regard to an artist's impression on page 9 of the December 2012 'Sydney's Light Rail Future: Expanding public transport, revitalising our city' brochure showing two lanes of light rail on Devonshire Street adjacent to the Shakespeare Hotel with footpath and trees on the southern side and one lane on the northern side:

- (1) Is the additional lane on the northern side intended for general vehicle traffic?
  - (a) If so, which direction does the department intend to propose traffic in this lane should travel?
  - (b) What impacts are expected on vehicle traffic?
- (2) Does this proposal remove the footpath from the southern side of Devonshire Street?
- (3) What impacts are expected on pedestrians and bicycle traffic?
- (4) Has your department considered closing Devonshire to private vehicle traffic in any circumstances?
  - (a) If so, what are the details of such circumstances?
- (5) Will detailed proposals on the configuration of and traffic flows on Devonshire Street be presented to local residents for comment prior to release of an environmental impact statement?

3878 WALSH BAY BUSES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Transport—

Noting that the proposed CBD Light Rail terminates at Circular Quay and does not continue along Hickson Road to Walsh Bay and Barangaroo:

- (1) What data does the NSW Government have about current residents, workers and visitors to the Walsh Bay precinct and planned future residents of the Barangaroo redevelopment?
- (2) Does the Government intend to extend light rail to Barangaroo in future?
- (3) Will the proposed CBD Light Rail be designed in order that it is able to be extended to Barangaroo in the future?
- (4) What assessment has the Government made of need and demand for public transport to Hickson Road and Walsh Bay?
- (5) What bus services are intended to service Walsh Bay currently?
- (6) What opportunities does the CBD Light Rail project provide for some CBD bus services to service Walsh Bay?
- (7) What further plans does the Government have to provide bus services to the Walsh Bay precinct?

3879 LEGAL AID AND PUBLIC PURPOSE FUNDING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

Noting that the Government's new Principles for Funding of Legal Assistance Services guidelines restrict funds from the Legal Aid & Public Purpose Fund:

- (1) To what extent does Principle 3 prevent funded legal centres from
  - (a) law reform and policy development?
  - (b) lobbying governments and elected officials?
  - (c) public campaigning and advocacy, including media and social media comment and public reform events?
  - (d) community education or training on advocacy skills?
  - (e) representing or advising activist groups, lobbying groups and action groups?
- (2) What consultation or negotiation was carried out with funded organisations before the new Principles were developed?
- (3) What concerns have been raised about the impact of the new Principles and limiting legal centres' capacity to fulfill their role?

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- (4) What is the aim in restricting legal centres from involvement from their traditional vital role in law reform?
- (5) What plans does the Government have to ensure that legal centres can continue their role in law reform?

3880 ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BOARD—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

Noting that the Anti-Discrimination Act 1977 states that the NSW Anti-Discrimination Board will review legislation, government policies and practice:

- (1) Over the past 12 months
  - (a) What legislation has the Anti-Discrimination Board reviewed?
  - (b) What policies and practices has the Anti-Discrimination Board reviewed?
- (2) What advice did the Anti-Discrimination Board provide on legislation related to sobering up centres and changes to the evidence of silence?
- (3) How many Anti-Discrimination Board staff are allocated to legislative review functions?
  - (a) What levels are these positions at?
- (4) What funding is allocated to the Anti-Discrimination Board for legislative review?
- (5) How many investigations, research and inquiries relating to discrimination have been carried out by the Anti-Discrimination Board over the past 12 months?
  - (a) What staff and funding is allocated to the Board for these investigations, research and inquiries?
- (6) What matters has the Attorney General referred to the Anti-Discrimination Board for investigation under Section 120 over the past 12 months?
- (7) How does the Government allocate funds to the Anti-Discrimination Board for its annual budget and when does the Attorney General's Department advise the Anti-Discrimination Board of its annual budget?
- (8) What plans does the Government have to facilitate and improve the Anti-Discrimination Board's operations and effectiveness?

3881 SOBERING UP CENTRES—Mr Alex Greenwich 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—

With respect to the evaluation of Sobering-Up Centres:

- (1) What data does the Government have about similar facilities in other jurisdictions?
- (2) What data will the Government collect to carry out to identify a cost benefit analysis of these facilities?
- (3) What indicators will be used as measures for before and after outcomes?
- (4) What evaluation is proposed to assess the trial of Sobering-Up Centres?
- (5) What stakeholders and experts will be involved and how will they contribute to this evaluation?
- (6) When does the Government plan to report on this evaluation?
- (7) What further plans does the Government have to address alcohol abuse?

3882 DARLING HARBOUR EXHIBITION BUILDINGS REUSE—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made on the potential to disassemble and reuse existing exhibition buildings at Darling Harbour if redevelopment proposals are approved?
- (2) What conclusions has the Government made on the cost savings of reusing the building for other project proposals?
- (3) What action has the Government taken in response to the City of Sydney proposal to reuse two or more bays as a new fish market on the existing fish market site at Blackwattle Bay or at Glebe Island?
- (4) What other proposed projects has the Government identified which could benefit from the cost savings of using the buildings?
- (5) What further action will the Government take to reuse these buildings?

3883 RSPCA CONCERNS WITH PIG DOG HUNTING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

With regard to concerns raised by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in the 24 April Central Western Daily article "No justification for pig hunting":

- (1) What plans does the Government have to discuss concerns that recreational pig dog hunting is "cruel and cannot be justified in any circumstances"?
- (2) What investigation will the Government initiate in response to statements that feral animals are at the mercy of inexperienced hunters who are not always able to bring the animal down with a single shot to the head or heart?
- (3) What assessment will the Government make on the nature of pig dog hunting in hunting magazines and on the internet, given comments that the practices of using dogs to hold pigs is not only extremely cruel, but can cause injuries to the dogs, while stabbing the pig causes a prolonged, painful and distressing death?

3884 NEONICOTINOIDS AND BEES—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

With respect to the European Union decision to ban neonicotinoids following a series of high-profile scientific studies linking neonicotinoids to devastation of bee colonies:

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of the
  - (a) Health of bee colonies in NSW?
  - (b) Dangers of neonicotinoids?
- (2) What action has the Government taken to ensure that pesticides do not impact on bees and pollination of crops?
- (3) What liaison has been carried out with other States and Territories about neonicotinoids?
- (4) What further action will the Government take to protect bee colonies and prevent these problems?

3885 CARBON PRICING HOUSING COSTS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Noting the Government has stated that social housing rents have been increased in order to cover increased housing costs resulting from the Commonwealth Carbon Pricing and Emissions Trading Scheme:

- (1) What data has the Government obtained or collected about increased costs for social housing providers?
- (2) What inputs for social housing were calculated to increase as a result of the Carbon Pricing and Emissions Trading Scheme?
- (3) What evidence and review was used to determine the level of increased cost for each tenant?
- (4) What assessment has the NSW Government made of measures to prevent or reduce these impacts?
- (5) What further plans does the Government have to prevent carbon pricing impacts hurting low income and vulnerable people?

3886 WHITEBRIDGE LAND SELL OFF—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW, Leader of the House—

- (1) What steps is the Government taking to ensure that Whitebridge residents are fully included in the decision making process regarding the sale of the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) owned land in Whitebridge?
- (2) (a) Does the Government recognize the importance of the land's biodiversity and its proximity to the renowned Fernleigh track?  
(b) If so, why is the Government considering the sale of the land?

3887 ORICA BLAST OVERPRESSURE MAPS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW, Leader of the House—

- (1) Why has the Government allowed Orica to keep blast "overpressure" maps for its ammonia nitrate manufacturing plant on Kooragang Island confidential?
- (2) Will the Government take steps to make the "overpressure" maps publicly available?
- (3) Can the Government guarantee the safety of residents living near the Orica plant?

3888 FUEL MONITORING SYSTEM—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—

Will the Government consider establishing a fuel monitoring system equivalent to that operated by the Western Australian Government called FuelWatch?

3889 RESTRUCTURE - FAIR TRADING COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT SECTION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—

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- (1) How will the Minister ensure that Fair Trading undertake investigations into individual licensees and other operators, considered small, despite the ongoing restructure of Fair Trading Compliance and Enforcement?
- (2) How many jobs have been lost as a result of restructure of the NSW Fair Trading Compliance and Enforcement section?
- (3) How will job cuts affect the important work of NSW Fair Trading in prosecuting illegal business practices?
- 3890 OPENING OF SERVICE NSW OPENING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—  
Will the Government ensure that no Fair Trading shop fronts are closed prior to a Service NSW service centre opening, so that communities are not deprived of a Fair Trading service for months on end?
- 3891 FAIR TRADING EMPLOYEES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—  
Will you guarantee that all employees at Fair Trading shopfronts at the following locations receive an employment position at Service NSW:
- (1) The Rocks?
  - (2) Newcastle?
  - (3) Orange?
  - (4) Tweed Heads?
  - (5) Penrith South?
  - (6) Kiama?
  - (7) Newcastle?
  - (8) City South?
  - (9) Chatswood?
  - (10) Liverpool?
  - (11) Queanbeyan?
  - (12) Port Macquarie?
  - (13) Gosford?
  - (14) Dubbo?
  - (15) Lismore?
  - (16) Wollongong?
  - (17) Tamworth?
  - (18) Wynyard?
  - (19) Parramatta?
  - (20) Wagga Wagga?
- 3892 NURSING HOURS PER PATIENT—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) What advice has the Minister received regarding the Nursing Hours per Patient Day in South-West Sydney Local Health District?
  - (2) What is the latest information regarding the use of the Nursing Hours per Patient Day formula at Bankstown Hospital?
- 3893 FAMILY ENERGY REBATE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- (1) Has the Government undertaken advertising to encourage affected families to take up the Family Energy Rebate?
    - (a) If not, why not?
  - (2) Will you consider extending the closing period for application for the rebate past 14 June 2013?
    - (a) If not, why not?
- 3894 SYDNEY WATER BILLS ESTIMATION - BANKSTOWN—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- (1) What proportion of bills issued in the electorate of Bankstown by Sydney Water were estimated?
  - (2) What action will the Minister take to reduce the instance of bill estimation leading to overcharging of people in communities including Bankstown?

3895 CREATION OF SERVICE NSW—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Will the Government inform all communities affected by the creation of Service NSW of the closure of government services in those communities?

3896 FAMILY ENERGY REBATE - APPLICATIONS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

- (1) How many people in the electorate of Bankstown have applied for the Family Energy Rebate?
- (2) What measures have been undertaken to inform people in communities throughout NSW of their potential eligibility for the Family Energy Rebate?