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*0578 PLANNING FOR FLOOD EMERGENCIES—Mr Kevin Conolly 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 steps are being taken to ensure that lessons learned by emergency authorities in Queensland arising from the severe floods there in late 2010 and early 2011 are incorporated into planning to address flood emergencies in New South Wales?

Answer—

- (1) The Government has robust arrangements in place for the emergency management of flooding in New South Wales. Under the State Disaster Plan, established by the State Emergency and Rescue Management Act 1989, the combat agency for Floods is the State Emergency Service (SES).
- (2) The SES maintains the State Flood Plan, a sub plan to the State Disaster Plan, and has been keeping abreast of the developments interstate as they relate to flood emergency management. The State Flood Plan sets out the emergency management aspects of prevention; preparation; response and initial recovery arrangements for flooding and the responsibilities of agencies and organisations with regards to these functions.
- (3) Specifically in relation to the tragic events witnessed in Queensland, the State Emergency Management Committee has established a Flood Inquiries Working Group, comprised of all relevant agencies, which will systematically examine and assess the relevance to the NSW context of each of the recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry into the Queensland Floods, as established by the Queensland Government.

*0582 JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) When will bed numbers be increased at the John Hunter Hospital?
- (2) How many additional beds will be provided?
- (3) How many additional clinical staff will be employed to accommodate the extra beds?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) The Government's Better Hospitals & Healthcare Plan includes a \$3 billion investment into health capital, opening 1,390 beds and providing 2,475 extra nurses, including 275 additional Clinical Nurse/Midwife Educators and Clinical Nurse Midwife Specialists over the term of this Parliament.

I am advised that during 2010/11, 16 beds were opened at the John Hunter Hospital and as at July 2011, NSW Health had recruited almost 600 extra nurses and midwives into the system since the election.

As announced in the State Budget, a record \$17.3 billion has been allocated to health to return quality health services to the people of New South Wales.

*0583 CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL, NEWCASTLE—ADDITIONAL BEDS—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) When will bed numbers be increased at the Calvary Mater Hospital, Newcastle?
- (2) How many additional beds will be provided?
- (3) How many additional clinical staff will be employed to accommodate the extra beds?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) The Government's Better Hospitals & Healthcare Plan includes a \$3 billion investment into health capital, opening 1,390 beds and providing 2,475 extra nurses, including 275 additional Clinical Nurse/Midwife Educators and Clinical Nurse Midwife Specialists over the term of this Parliament.

I am advised that during 2010/11, 12 beds were opened at the Calvary Mater Hospital at Newcastle, and as at July 2011, NSW Health had recruited almost 600 extra nurses and midwives into the system since the election.

As announced in the State Budget, a record \$17.3 billion has been allocated to health to return quality health services to the people of New South Wales.

*0584 STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES—Mr Paul Lynch 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) When will police develop the Standard Operating Procedures referred to by the Attorney General in debate in the House on 4 August 2011 concerning the Summary Offences Amendment (Intoxicated and Disorderly Conduct) Bill 2011?
- (2) What public consultation will be involved in the development of those procedures?
- (3) How will those procedures be made publicly available?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised me:

- (1) To address the implementation of this new legislation a number of documents will be created to advise police officers of the content and intended implementation of the new legislation. This process is underway.
- (2) The NSW Police Force does not normally enter into public consultation in relation to its internal practices and procedures and will not be in this case. The public consultation phase occurred during the creation of the legislation.
- (3) The NSW Police Force Handbook, currently under review, is available to the public via the police website, www.police.nsw.gov.au

*0585 GRAFFITI OFFENCES—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

How many young people have been apprehended, cautioned or charged with graffiti offences from 26 March 2011 to 26 July 2011?

Answer—

I am advised:

The Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) only reports on people of interest who are proceeded against by the NSW Police Force.

Between 26 March 2011 and 31 March 2011 (the latest available data), the NSW Police Force proceeded against people of interest (aged between 10 and 17 years) in relation to incidents of graffiti as follows:

No	Method of proceeding
4	cautioned under the Young Offenders Act 1997
1	proceeded against to court
3	Youth Justice Conferencing
1	unspecified legal proceedings

*0586 MONA VALE HOSPITAL MATERNITY SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Given advice the Government is "developing an appropriate model of care that ensures the ongoing success and viability of maternity services at Mona Vale Hospital" (Question 0033), and the Minister's statement that "it's vital that the delivery is alongside a fully functional maternity ward, with qualified obstetricians and paediatricians" (press release 9 November 2010):

- (1) How many extra consultant obstetricians, anaesthetists and paediatricians are proposed to be appointed to the maternity service?
- (2) How many extra obstetric, anaesthetic and paediatric junior doctors are proposed to be appointed to the maternity service?
- (3) Has a committee been appointed to investigate the reopening of the maternity ward?
- (4) Who is on this committee?
- (5) How often has the committee met?
- (6) When is a report expected?
- (7) When are deliveries likely to recommence?
- (8) Has the Minister taken any other action to return delivery services to Mona Vale Hospital?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) The maternity unit will be staffed by the number of Staff Specialists, Junior Medical Officers, and other relevant staff (such as midwives, educators etc.) as determined by the relevant model of care.
- (3) Yes.

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(4) The working group comprises a representatives from capital works, hospital management, engineering, OHS, Women's & Children's Health, Obstetric Staff Specialist, and Nursing/Midwifery.

(5) and (6) Consultation and discussion has been occurring in appropriate forums for the past four months and will continue until the project is finalised.

(7) Approximately April 2012, contingent on appropriate completion of all project tasks.

(8) The Government aims to reopen maternity services at Mona Vale Hospital on 6 September 2011 with deliveries commencing around April 2012.

*0587 FTE NURSE POSITIONS—NEPEAN HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regards to Nepean Hospital:

- (1) How many FTE Nurses are funded in the Maternity Unit?
- (2) How many FTE Nurses are employed in the Maternity Unit?
- (3) How many FTE nursing jobs are currently vacant in the Maternity Unit?
- (4) How many FTE Nurses are funded in the Emergency Department?
- (5) How many FTE Nurses are employed in the Emergency Department?
- (6) How many FTE nursing jobs are currently vacant in the Emergency Department?

Answer—

I am advised:

Nurse staffing levels are determined and adjusted as required by local management in line with patient need and the specified award and benchmark tool, in negotiation with the NSW Nurses Association representatives.

*0588 BED OCCUPANCY RATES—Dr Andrew McDonald asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to the 85 per cent bed occupancy rate in hospitals that the Government has agreed to in principle:

- (1) How many extra beds will be required by the NSW health system to achieve an 85 per cent occupancy rate?
- (2) Where will these beds be required?
- (3) What enhancements are planned by the Government in the 2011-12 budget for extra beds?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) NSW Health is in the process of undertaking research to review the Australian and international evidence on desirable bed occupancy levels.

The Government's Better Hospitals & Healthcare Plan includes a \$3 billion investment into health capital, opening 1,390 beds and providing 2,475 extra nurses.

I am advised that 63 beds have already been opened since the election and extra state funds have been made available to keep open beds that were previously funded by COAG allocations. Further beds will continue to be made available during the term of this Government.

As at June 2011 NSW Health has recruited almost 600 extra nurses and midwives into the system since the election.

*0591 AFFORDABLE HOUSING—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Noting that the latest study by the National Centre for Social and Economic Modelling has again identified that Sydney is the least affordable Australian city, and is now categorized as "severely unaffordable":

- (1) What programs does the Government offer to provide incentives for the supply of affordable housing?
- (2) What programs does the Government provide to enable long-term inner Sydney residents on low incomes to remain living in the inner city as rents increase?
- (3) What programs does the Government provide to ensure a supply of affordable housing for key workers such as police, nurses, and cleaners?
- (4) What assessment has the Government made of housing affordability in inner Sydney?
- (5) What action has the Government taken to increase the supply of affordable housing in inner Sydney?

- (6) What further action will the Government take to increase the supply of affordable housing in inner Sydney?

Answer—

(1) and (3) Housing NSW offers a wide range of programs to encourage the supply of affordable housing. Furthermore, the NSW Government also has a range of programs including the State Environmental Planning Policy (Affordable Rental Housing) 2009 (AHSEPP), the Home Builders Bonus and a range of land tax exemptions. Details about these programs should be directed to the relevant Ministers.

(2) In addition to the housing provided by Housing NSW, a range of not-for profits, such as City West Housing Pty Ltd and PPPs provide a mix of affordable housing for low income earners in the Sydney Electorate.

(4) to (6) These questions should be directed to the Minister for Planning.

- *0593 ELECTRICITY PILLARS AND KIOSKS—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

With regard to the installation of electricity pillars and kiosks in the public domain, which impact on public access, pedestrian movement and visual amenity in the inner city where there are narrow footpaths and a high density of retail outlets and pedestrian activity:

- (1) What assessment did the Ausgrid make of options for underground kiosks and pillars before installing a new program of above-ground electricity pillars and kiosks in the inner city;
- (2) How many pillars and kiosks does Ausgrid intend to install across the City of Sydney and Woollahra Council areas;
- (3) What feedback has the Government received from Councils, residents and businesses where above-ground pillars and kiosks are being installed;
- (4) Is it true that the installation of some above-ground facilities has resulted in removal of green plantings, reduced heritage values and pedestrians being forced onto the roadway;
- (5) Has the Government reviewed this practice against Disability Discrimination Act guidelines, which support clear access along property lines, and what was the outcome of any assessment;
- (6) How does the Government ensure that adjacent residents and business operators have a say on where these facilities are located in order to reduce impacts;
- (7) Is it true that all electricity kiosks and pillars in Victoria are placed underground without reducing safety or service reliability, and what assessment has the Government made of applying this approach in NSW; and
- (8) What action will the NSW Government take to locate electricity kiosks and pillars underground and reduce the impacts of electricity pillars and kiosks?

Answer—

- (1) Placing kiosks underground has significant technical, safety and cost issues. Undergrounding assets increases the safety risks to staff, incorporates higher operational costs and can also be subject to flooding which affects reliability.

As installing this type of infrastructure underground results in higher maintenance costs, this expenditure in turn would be passed on to customers in the form of higher electricity prices.

- (2) As many projects are still in their design phases, it is difficult to quantify the final numbers.
- (3) Most residents, businesses and councils understand that upgrades to the electricity network are necessary to ensure ongoing reliability.
- (4) There have been six instances in the City of Sydney and Woollahra local government areas where tree trimming or removal of vegetation has been required. These actions have had no impact on heritage values.

Ausgrid will not place infrastructure in areas that force pedestrians onto roads.

- (5) I am advised that Ausgrid has reviewed the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability (Access to Premises - Buildings) Standard 2010. These standards do not apply to footpaths or new buildings and as such, the installation of a pillar or kiosk on a footpath does not result in a breach of guidelines.
- (6) Consultation is undertaken by Ausgrid with local councils and the community relating to the location of kiosk substations. Community notifications are distributed by Ausgrid to homes and businesses in the area and provide 21 days for residents to submit comments.

The location of pillars is determined by the technical requirements of the underground electricity network. Ausgrid ensures that the local community is notified prior to commencing any upgrade work and accommodates suggestions from the community where possible.

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- (7) No. Undergrounding of kiosks is not the practice of any network around the country.
- (8) Placing kiosks underground has significant technical and safety issues involved and is not the practice in Australia. The costs associated with undergrounding infrastructure would be passed on to consumers in the form of higher electricity charges.

*0594 NANOTECHNOLOGY ACTION—Ms Clover Moore asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

With regard to the Standing Committee on State Development 2008 report recommendation that the NSW Government work with federal agencies to develop a national mandatory labelling scheme for engineered nanomaterials used in the workplace and, in the absence of a national scheme, investigate the development of its own mandatory labelling scheme:

- (1) To what extent does the NSW Government agree with this recommendation?
- (2) What action will the NSW Government take to push for a national mandatory labelling regime of nanomaterials used in the workplace?
- (3) If a national labelling regime is not achieved, what action will the Government take to develop a NSW scheme?
- (4) What other action will NSW Government take to improve consumer information about products like sunscreens that contain nanomaterials?

Answer—

(1) The NSW Government recommends a nationally coordinated approach to product labelling, designed to minimise health and environmental risks while ensuring the community is informed.

(2) and (3) The NSW Government's Response to the NSW Nanotechnology Inquiry recommends that reform of nanotechnology regulations should have a national approach, utilising mechanisms already in place, and that encourages best practice regulation. We are pleased to note that the Commonwealth Government has commissioned an issues paper on the regulation of nanotechnology which is canvassing the issues raised in the NSW Government's Response recommendations. This will ensure that constructive national discussion is taking place on issues such as the regulation of nanotechnology and a national labelling scheme.

(4) In addition, officer-level discussions are ongoing between NSW Trade and Investment and the Commonwealth regarding the regulation of industrial nanomaterials and public awareness of issues pertaining to nanoproducts. NSW Trade and Investment, in conjunction with WorkCover NSW and the Office of Environment and Heritage within the Department of Premier and Cabinet, has developed a survey to canvas NSW nanotechnology businesses and research organisations to better understand the regulatory requirements of the industry.

*0595 PUBLIC TRANSPORT INFORMATION AND PRIORITY SYSTEM—Mr Jamie Parker asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Has there been any evaluation on the Public Transport Information and Priority System (PTIPS) in delivering more reliable bus services and maintaining scheduled timetables?
- (2) If yes, can the Minister advise of the effectiveness of the system in delivering more reliable bus services and maintaining scheduled timetables within the Balmain electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The State Transit Authority (STA) uses the Public Transport Information and Priority System (PTIPS) to monitor and manage the operation of its buses.

Where there is an identified need, PTIPS data is used to revise bus running times to make timetables align with actual travel times. This makes timetables more reliable for customers and gives customers greater confidence in the published times for catching buses and reaching their destination on time.

PTIPS technology is also used to provide real-time bus arrival information to customers through the 'next bus' SMS service. Customers can text the unique bus stop identifier number to a special mobile telephone number and seconds later will receive a list of the next buses to arrive at that stop within the next 30 minutes. The SMS service is now accessible at over 9,000 bus stops for Sydney Buses services throughout Sydney.

No formal evaluation of the effectiveness of the system has been undertaken by either the Roads and Traffic Authority or STA to date.

(2) Not applicable.

*0596 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—Mr Mark Speakman asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

How many reported traffic accidents have occurred at or around the intersection of Taren Point Road and Bay Road, Taren Point in:

- (a) 2010-11;
- (b) 2009-10;
- (c) 2008-09?

Answer—

I am advised:

There were a total of seven recorded crashes at or near (within 10 metres) the intersection of Bay Road and Taren Point Road, Taren Point for the specified three year period. Of these seven crashes, five were towaway crashes and two were injury crashes (with two persons injured). There were no fatal crashes.

The breakdown of these crashes by financial year is:

- (a) 2010-11* - three recorded crashes comprising one injury crash (one person injured) and two towaway crashes.
- (b) 2009-10* - two recorded towaway crashes.
- (c) 2008-09 - two recorded crashes comprising one injury crash (one person injured) and one towaway crash.

Only crashes which are reported to the police and which involve at least one person killed or injured or at least one motor vehicle towed away are recorded in the RTA crash database.

* Please note also that 2010 and 2011 crash data is preliminary and subject to change.

*0597 POLICE BUILDINGS—HEALTH AND SAFETY STANDARDS—Mr Richard Torbay 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) Will the Minister provide details of all police buildings (including stations and officer residences) within the New England, Oxley and Barwon commands that fail to meet health and safety standards?
- (2) Where are these buildings located?
- (3) What is the Government doing to address this urgent issue and when will this be done?

Answer—

The NSW Police Force has advised that the current database of information regarding police properties is extensive and the manner in which the Member's question is phrased makes it difficult to conduct a specific search of records.

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*0599 VIOLENCE AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ON BUSES—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for Transport—

- (1) Is the Minister aware of the increased incidents of violence and antisocial behaviour on buses operating in the Hunter?
- (2) What measures is the Government taking to address the increased incidents of violence and antisocial behaviour on buses operating throughout the Hunter?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) Violence and antisocial behaviour is unacceptable.

The NSW Government is committed to making our public transport network as safe as possible.

All regular route buses in Newcastle have security cameras and a \$25 million three year program is being rolled out for the acquisition of new CCTV cameras and duress alarms on all regular route passenger bus services in Newcastle, Sydney, Wollongong and the Central Coast. The funding will

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enable bus companies to install the latest security technology to their fleets and provide greater security to drivers and passengers.

Improved driver security screens are currently also being trialled as an initiative of the Bus Driver Safety Committee. The committee includes representatives of the Department of Transport, NSW Police Force, Bus and Coach Industrial Association, Transport Workers' Union of Australia, Rail Tram and Bus Union and the State Transit Authority. The trial is expected to continue until the end of 2011. A progress report will be provided to the Committee.

*0604 STACEY STREET TRAFFIC FLOW—Ms Tania Mihailuk asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

With regards to the Stacey Street drain and given advice that "there are a number of activities that could be undertaken to improve the traffic flow" (Question 0276):

- (1) What models for improving the traffic flow on Stacey Street are presently being considered by the RTA?
- (2) When can the people of Bankstown expect to see real investment in this important local issue?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The RTA has two projects scheduled in 2011-12:
 - A \$110,000 addition of a right turn phase at the traffic signals at the intersection of Stacey Street and Greenacre Road, Bankstown under the federal black spot program.
 - A \$200,000 investigation into options for intersection improvements at Stanley Street and Salvia Avenue, Bankstown under the pinch point program.
- (2) See answer (1).

0605 RECREATION, SPORTS AND AQUATICS CLUB—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—

0606 RIFLE SHOOTING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0607 OFFICERS WORKING IN SPECIALIST CRIME SQUADS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

*0611 INSULATION FOR SOCIAL HOUSING TENANTS—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Given the rising cost of energy, Housing NSW's Environmental Sustainability policy and the environmental, health and financial benefits of home insulation:

- (1) How many public housing dwellings do not currently have any insulation?
- (2) What plans does Housing NSW have to retrofit unit blocks with wall and floor insulation to reduce heat loss and improve acoustic protections?
- (3) Since this policy was introduced, what action has Housing NSW taken to insulate the following in existing Housing NSW dwellings:
 - (a) ceilings;
 - (b) walls;
 - (c) floors?
- (4) What assessment has been made of progress in installing insulation in Housing NSW homes in inner Sydney, and what has been achieved to date?
- (5) How can individual Housing NSW tenants arrange to have home insulation installed to help them reduce energy costs?
- (6) What progress has Housing NSW made towards its target of 70 per cent of residential dwellings with "comfortable thermal performance" levels by 2014?
- (7) When does the Government expect that all Housing NSW homes will be retrofitted with insulation?

Answer—

- (1) and (2) Many public housing dwellings have insulation.
- (3) Housing NSW has retrofitted ceiling insulation in approximately 14,000 dwellings and has improved the thermal performance of Housing NSW dwellings. Furthermore, Housing NSW is working in

partnership with the Office of Environment and Heritage to assist social housing tenants receive a free home energy assessment and power savings kit through the NSW Government's Home Power Savings Program. Over 24,000 social housing residents have participated in this program up until 30 June 2011.

(4) and (5) Housing NSW's ceiling insulation retrofit program has been prioritised for dwellings located in hot and cold climatic areas that were constructed prior to 2000.

(6) See answer (3).

(7) See answer (3).

*0612 HOUSING NSW WATER EFFICIENCY—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Given that Housing NSW charges tenants for water use irrespective of whether there is individual metering, and noting Housing NSW's environmental sustainability policy:

- (1) What action has Housing NSW taken to install water-saving devices in residential dwellings since 2008 when the policy commenced?
- (2) What education and information is available to tenants to encourage them to reduce water consumption and charges?
- (3) What assessment has been made of progress on reducing social housing residents' water use by 20 per cent by 2014, and what reductions have been identified?
- (4) How many Housing NSW homes in inner Sydney have been retrofitted with water-saving devices including reduce-flow showerheads, tap washers, and dual-flush toilet cisterns?
- (5) How many more inner Sydney homes need to be retrofitted to meet Housing NSW 2014 environmental sustainability targets?
- (6) What plans does Housing NSW have to install rainwater collection tanks on its inner Sydney buildings for non-drinking purposes?
- (7) What plans does Housing NSW have to install individual water meters on all units so that tenants only pay for their individual water use, given private landlords are required to do so?
- (8) What plans does Housing NSW have to install water-saving devices in order to reduce water use and costs for social housing tenants?

Answer—

- (1) Housing NSW has installed water efficient showerheads and flow restrictors in approximately 20,000 dwellings since 2008. Over 100,000 Housing NSW dwellings are now retrofitted with water saving showerheads and flow restrictors.
- (2) Housing NSW has a tenant fact sheet on Water Savings Tips and articles are routinely placed in Housing NSW tenant newsletters.
- (3) Housing NSW households reduced water use by 7.4 per cent in 2009/10 based on 2006 levels.
- (4) Over 8,000 Housing NSW homes in the City of Sydney Local Government Area have been retrofitted with water-saving showerheads and flow restrictors. Housing NSW also retrofits dual-flush toilet cisterns when cisterns require replacement in homes.
- (5) When maintenance is undertaken on Housing NSW dwellings, opportunities to retrofit inner Sydney homes for water efficiency are identified.
- (6) Housing NSW does not have any plans to retrofit inner Sydney buildings with rainwater tanks for non-drinking purposes. New residential dwellings are supplied with a minimum non-potable rainwater supply of 2,000 litres for toilet, washing machine and outdoor use. Housing NSW has retrofitted rainwater tanks in some Community Greening gardens.
- (7) Housing NSW does currently not have any plans to retrofit individual water meters on existing units but does install them on new units.
- (8) Housing NSW has a range of measures as outlined above.

*0616 AGE DISCRIMINATION IN THE WORKPLACE—Mr Richard Torbay asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) Will the Minister specify the Government's policy on age discrimination in the workplace?
- (2) Is the Minister aware of any instances of age discrimination regarding appointments to Government boards?

Answer—

- (1) Discrimination issues are the responsibility of the Attorney General.
- (2) No.

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0617 DISTRICT COURT MATTERS—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

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0622 KURRI MINOR RUGBY LEAGUE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

0623 KURRI RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

0624 KURRI KURRI SPEEDWAY CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

0625 CESSNOCK GUN CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

0626 CESSNOCK RIFLE CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

0627 CESSNOCK MINOR RUGBY LEAGUE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

0628 EDGEWORTH JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

0629 HUNTER REGIONAL TOURISM ORGANISATION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

0630 SUPPORT FOR EVENTS AND TOURISM—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—

*0633 FAIRFIELD HOSPITAL PATIENTS—Mr Nick Lalich asked the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

(1) For the period covering the first quarter of 2011, how many persons attended Fairfield Hospital for medical treatment in all categories?

(2) Of this number, how many were treated by the Accident and Emergency department?

(3) How many in this period were admitted to hospital?

(4) Of the number admitted at question (3), how many were transferred to:

(a) Liverpool Hospital;

(b) other hospitals?

Answer—

Information about hospital activity and performance is available online from the independent Bureau of Health Information at www.bhi.nsw.gov.au

0634 CABRAMATTA FIRE STATION—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0635 RELEASE OF BODY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0642 ASBESTOS REMOVAL—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0645 FUNDING FOR FUTURE UPGRADES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—

*0646 CENTENARY ROAD AND KENYONS ROAD INTERSECTION—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

What are the Government's plans to upgrade the intersection of Centenary Road and Kenyons Road at Merrylands?

Answer—

I am advised:

Sherwood Road/Centenary Road is a regional road and Duffy Street/Kenyons Road is a local road. Accordingly, upgrading the intersection is a matter for Holroyd Council's consideration.

Holroyd Council received blackspot funding in 2008-09 to undertake works on Kenyon Road between Sherwood Road and Fowler Road to reduce traffic speeds and in 2009-10 to upgrade pedestrian facilities in Kenyons Road and Duffy Street, at Sherwood Road. These works have been completed.

*0647 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

In reference to the Government's commitment to see "the total number of school zone flashing lights in NSW increase to an estimated 1,000 by 2015", how many of these proposed 1,000 new school zone flashing lights will be located in the Fairfield electorate?

Answer—

I am advised:

Nine school zones covering 11 schools in the Fairfield electorate have flashing lights installed as outlined below:

- Old Guildford Public School, Woodville Road, Old Guildford. There is also a fixed speed camera within this school zone.
- Carramar Public School, The Horsley Drive, Carramar.
- Patrician Brothers College, The Horsley Drive, Fairfield.
- Fairfield High School/Fairfield Public School, The Horsley Drive, Fairfield.
- Fairfield West Public School, Cumberland Highway, Fairfield West.
- Westfields Sports High School/Fairfield West Public School, Hamilton Road, Fairfield West.
- Chester Hill High School, Miller Road, Chester Hill.
- Fairfield Heights Public School, Station Street, Fairfield.
- Fairvale High School, Thorney Road, Fairfield West.

The selection of all the additional school zone sites for flashing lights will be based on criteria including crash risk, traffic and pedestrian volumes, speed limits, road environment and visibility. All schools, including those in the Fairfield electorate, will be considered against these criteria.

*0651 ORPHAN SCHOOL CREEK—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

Does the Government have any plans to restore and regenerate Orphan School Creek?

Answer—

I am advised that within Department of Primary Industries, there are no current plans specifically to restore or regenerate Orphan School Creek.

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0652 ADMISSION AND REJECTION RATE FIGURES—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*0653 JOHN NESS PROTESTANT FEDERATION GIRLS HOME—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Who was responsible for the care and wellbeing of children accommodated at the former John Ness Protestant Federation Girls Home at 50 Garnet Street, Dulwich Hill that was established in 1921 and operated until the building was sold in 1933?

Answer—

The John Ness Protestant Federation Girls Home was not operated by the Department of Family and Community Services and therefore this department does not hold any records concerning the administration of the home.

0654 COMMUNITY BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM—Ms Linda Burney to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

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*0655 PART 3A DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

What are the details of the Part 3A development applications that are now being assessed by either the Planning Assessment Commission or local councils?

Answer—

Details of all projects which remain under the Part 3A assessment system are available on the Department's website, and these are to be assessed by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure.

When the Government took office, there were over 530 proposals under assessment or seeking declarations for assessment under Part 3A. As a result of the repeal of Part 3A, more than 160 Part 3A projects will be removed from the system. This includes 63 residential, commercial, retail or coastal subdivision projects that were removed on 13 May 2011.

Projects to be removed are those that do not have Director General's Requirements issued, or where Director General's Requirements were issued more than two years ago and environmental assessments have not been lodged with the Department.

All contentious private sector projects (including those involving political donations) which remain in the system will be determined by the independent Planning Assessment Commission.

Applications that have been removed that do not meet the requirements under the proposed new State and Regional Development State Environmental Planning Policy for State Significant Development or State Significant Infrastructure will require a development application to be lodged under Part 4 of the EP&A Act with the relevant local council. Councils will assess these applications, and it is expected that they will generally be referred to the Joint Regional Planning Panels for determination.

*0657 BARANGAROO—"SHORT-SHARP" REVIEW—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

(1) Has the Government's "short-sharp" review of the processes involved in Barangaroo been completed?

(2) If so, when and how will the Minister release the report publicly?

Answer—

(1) Yes.

(2) The Review Report was released on 7 August 2011 and is available on the Barangaroo Review website: www.nsw.gov.au/barangarooreview

*0659 NEW HOMES INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

What are the details of the New Homes Infrastructure Trust that the Minister foreshadowed in his media release of 5 March 2011?

Answer—

The details of the Trust are yet to be finalised.

*0660 INFRASTRUCTURE NSW AND HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

How will Infrastructure NSW and the Hunter Infrastructure Fund interact?

Answer—

The Terms of Reference and administrative arrangements for the Hunter Infrastructure and Investment Fund (HIIF) are being finalised. The Government will be making an announcement on these matters shortly. I can however indicate that there will be close alignment between the HIIF and Infrastructure NSW.

*0661 HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

Given the Government has appointed Mr Peter Blackmore as Chair of the Hunter Infrastructure Fund, what are the names of the other members?

Answer—

The Terms of Reference and administrative arrangements for the Hunter Infrastructure and Investment Fund are being finalised. The Government will be making an announcement on these matters shortly. I can however indicate that the Government intends to recruit additional board members through a public expression of interest process to ensure appropriately experienced and skilled persons are secured for the board.

*0662 HUNTER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND—ACQUISITION POWERS—Ms Linda Burney asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

Will the Hunter Infrastructure Fund have the same acquisition powers as Infrastructure NSW, as described in clause 34 of the Infrastructure NSW Act 2011?

Answer—

The Terms of Reference, membership and administrative arrangements for the Hunter Infrastructure and Investment Fund are being finalised. The Government will be making an announcement on these matters shortly.

0665 PUBLIC SERVICE JOB CUTS IN RESEARCH FACILITIES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

*0666 ORICA TOXIC LEAK—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

- (1) Why were the people in the "outer zone" of the residential area of Stockton not informed earlier that they could be affected by the Orica toxic leak?
- (2) If there is nothing to worry about in terms of outfall, why have residents' houses been hosed down?

Answer—

I am advised as follows:

- (1) The "outer zone" was identified by the Office of Environment and Heritage as a precautionary measure, to ensure that Orica could not avoid its responsibilities to clean up the contaminants it released.

Modelling undertaken by the Office of Environment and Heritage, together with ground inspections, identified the area anticipated to be most affected by Orica's discharge. This area was described as the "inner zone" and the purpose of delineating it was to require Orica to focus its clean up efforts on that zone and start work immediately. The outer zone was included in the Clean Up Notice so that if additional properties were detected with deposits of the contaminant, Orica would be obliged to clean these as well.

- (2) Orica had a duty to ensure the properties were cleaned, even if the deposited material presented no risk to human health.

0667 FUNDING CUTS TO CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND THE VICTIMS COMPENSATION SCHEME—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

0668 FUNDING CUTS TO HUNTER HOSPITALS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

*0672 PAYMENT TO COUNCILLORS—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

Was it intended by the Government that Liverpool Council, by decision of council on 25 July 2011, be permitted to pay councillors who are selected by council to represent the council on a Joint Regional Planning Panel, a fee of \$600 per meeting?

Answer—

The former Minister for Planning determined that Councils are able to determine the fees they pay their Joint Regional Planning Panel (Regional Panel) members. In doing so, the former Minister provided guidance on appropriate remuneration rates for nominees of Council.

If a Council nominee is an elected councillor, it was recommended that a fee of \$600 per meeting is reasonable to recognise the additional responsibilities of an elected councillor as a nominee to a Regional Panel.

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- 0673 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION EMPLOYEES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0674 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION EMPLOYEES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0675 LIVERPOOL COUNCIL CHAMBERS FIRE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0676 SEXUAL ASSAULT MATTERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0677 DUST DISEASES TRIBUNAL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- *0678 MOST CONGESTED INTERSECTIONS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

- (1) What are the busiest intersections in the Keira electorate?
- (2) Are there any plans to reduce congestion and accidents at these intersections?
- (3) If so, what are they and what is the timeline for completion?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The busiest intersections in the Keira electorate are:
 - Princes Highway and the intersections of The Avenue and Bellevue Road, Figtree.
 - Princes Highway, from Old Mount Ousley Road (roundabout) to the North Wollongong Bridge interchange.
 - Memorial Drive and Towradgi Road, Towradgi.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) The Princes Highway through Figtree's CBD will be upgraded with improvements to key intersections. As part of this work, the intersection of The Avenue will be upgraded with a separated left turn lane and merge lane for traffic exiting The Avenue to head south. A right turning lane will also be built on the Princes Highway for motorists turning into The Avenue. The intersection of the Princes Highway and Bellevue Road will also be upgraded with the construction of a right lane from the highway into Bellevue Road. The project is scheduled for completion in 2012.

The length of the Princes Highway between Old Mount Ousley Road roundabout to North Wollongong interchange has been subject to a recent traffic study. The study was carried out to see what improvements could be made to improve traffic efficiency and is currently being finalised.

Improvements to the intersection of Memorial Drive and Towradgi Road were submitted for funding under the federal blackspot program for the 2011-12 financial year, however, were not funded. The proposed improvements at this location are additional traffic lights and an upgrade to the signals, as well as the installation of a designated right turn lane on the eastbound approach from Towradgi Road. The junction remains on the unfunded treatment listing. The intersection will be resubmitted for the 2012-13 federal blackspot program.

- *0679 SCHOOL ZONE FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Ryan Park asked the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

- (1) How many schools in the Keira electorate have flashing lights as part of their school zones?
- (2) Which schools in the Keira electorate will be receiving these lights as part of the commitment to increase the number of these sites to 1,000 by 2015?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The following 12 schools in the Keira electorate have flashing lights as part of their school zones:
 - Edmund Rice College
 - Towradgi Public School
 - Corrimal Public School
 - St Columbkille's Primary School
 - Corrimal East Primary School
 - Corrimal High School

- Fairy Meadow Demonstration School
- St John Vianney's Primary School
- Keira High School
- Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts
- Figtree Public School
- Figtree High School.

(2) The NSW Government has committed \$13 million to fund a four year program to install flashing lights at an additional 540 school zones.

All schools (including those in the Keira electorate) will be considered against flashing lights criteria as a part of the four year program.

0680 ADDITIONAL SCHOOL FENCING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

*0681 ILLAWARRA REGIONAL INFORMATION SERVICE—Mr Ryan Park asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

(1) What are the current funding arrangements for the Illawarra Regional Information Service (IRIS)?

(2) Are there any proposed changes planned for these arrangements?

Answer—

The Department of Trade and Investment, Regional Infrastructure and Services has provided sponsorship support for IRIS's valuable regional economic monitoring activities for many years. The most recent three-year sponsorship agreement was extended by one year until 30 June 2012. This will allow the Government to complete a review of its current arrangements for securing economic information services in the context of regional development.

0682 OPERATION VISION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0683 EYE WATCH TRIAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0684 SPEECH THERAPISTS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

0685 KOKODA ABORIGINAL SERVICEMEN'S COMMITTEE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Citizenship and Communities, and Minister for Aboriginal Affairs—

0686 SOUTH COAST LINE—CRIMINAL OFFENCES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport—

0687 RAIL TICKET SALES—GRANVILLE ELECTORATE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—

0688 RAIL TICKET SALES—AUBURN ELECTORATE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—

0689 AMY STREET OVERBRIDGE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Transport—

0690 APPLICATIONS UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE GUARDIANSHIP ACT—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—

0691 GRAND WESTERN LODGE, MILLTHORPE—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

0692 FREE SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—

0693 BUS SERVICE TO WOODCROFT PLAZA—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—

0694 DOONSIDE RAILWAY STATION—EASY ACCESS UPGRADE—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Transport—

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- 0695 BLACKTOWN HOSPITAL—EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT SECURITY—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0696 UPGRADE TO BLACKTOWN AND MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITALS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- *0697 FINES ISSUED—Mr John Robertson asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- (1) How much revenue is raised from fines issued within the Blacktown electorate?
 - (2) What is the breakdown of the fines issued within the Blacktown electorate?
 - (3) How does this compare to other areas in New South Wales?
- Answer—
- In 2011-12 to date, the face value of fines issued in the Blacktown electorate is \$793,936.
- To provide a breakdown and comparison to other areas in NSW would require considerable time and an unjustifiable diversion of resources away from the core responsibilities of the Office of State Revenue.
- 0698 INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARDS—Mr John Robertson to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0699 SOCIAL HOUSING—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0700 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING STOCK—FAIRFIELD AREA—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0701 RESTORATION OF THE LINNWOOD ESTATE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- *0702 PRIVATISATION OF SERVICES—Mr Guy Zangari asked the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- In reference to the Sunday Telegraph article of 11 August 2011 "O'Farrell Wields Axe":
- (1) Which services will be affected by the Government's plan to outsource elements of the Department of Community Services?
 - (2) How will the cuts and privatisation of such services effect the Fairfield electorate?
- Answer—
- (1) and (2) The Department of Family and Community Services works in partnership with 2,500 non government organisations (NGOs). The importance of this partnership was highlighted in the Special Commission of Inquiry into Child Protection Services in NSW.
- The NSW Government is committed to the transfer of out-of-home care services to the NGO sector as recommended by Wood. A commitment much promised by Labor but never delivered. Transferring services to the NGO sector gives the Department of Family and Community Services the ability to deliver more flexible services.
- 0703 REMOVAL OF INTRODUCED NOXIOUS TREES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 0704 CLANDESTINE DRUG LABORATORIES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- 0705 CLANDESTINE DRUG LABORATORIES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0706 FIREARM OFFENCES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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- 0707 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY SECURITY FENCING PROGRAM—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0708 STAFF NUMBERS AT PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL CAMPUS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0709 MAROUBRA BEACH AMBULANCE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0710 HOUSING NSW—STAFF NUMBERS AT MAROUBRA OFFICE—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0711 MATRAVILLE FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0712 MAROUBRA FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0713 BOTANY FIRE STATION—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- *0714 MALABAR HEADLAND—LOTS 102 AND 104—Mr Michael Daley asked the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—
- What is the expected date of handover of Lots 102 and 104 of Malabar Headland to the NSW Government from the Federal Department of Finance and Deregulation, to be managed as a national park by the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service?
- Answer—
- I am advised as follows:
- The transfer of Lot 102, the eastern part of Malabar Headland, is expected to occur by 23 September 2011.
 - Lot 104 was not included in any transfer of lands from the Federal Department of Finance and Deregulation.
- 0715 AUSGRID WORKS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0716 UNANSWERED CORRESPONDENCE—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Treasurer—
- 0717 RECREATIONAL HUNTING IN STATE FORESTS—Mr Michael Daley to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 0718 ASSESSMENT FOR MAINTENANCE DEFECTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0719 AUTONOMY IN SPENDING ON ASSETS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0721 MEETINGS WITH PHILLIP BRADLEY—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 0722 SPECIALIST SEXUAL ASSAULT COURTS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0723 ALCOHOL IODINE SOLUTION—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0724 TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0725 MACARTHUR HEALTH SERVICE—EXPANSION OF SERVICES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0726 HOSPITAL PARKING FEES—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0727 SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0728 ADULTS ACCOMMODATED IN CHILDREN'S WARDS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- *0729 AUSGRID UPGRADE—OXFORD STREET—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

Noting serious and long-term impacts on Oxford Street businesses resulting from the current Ausgrid electricity cable upgrade:

- (1) What consultation was done with businesses and the Paddington Business Partnership in planning this project?
- (2) How is Ausgrid ensuring that all affected businesses know about the project and can identify impacts?
- (3) What action has been taken to reduce impacts, including:
 - (a) Speeding up work on the project by increasing the number of shifts or working later hours;
 - (b) Scheduling works away from higher turnover times such as between the end of October and the end of February;
 - (c) Limiting loss of parking and footpath closures;
 - (d) Working in smaller segments at any one time;
 - (e) Limiting closures to one side of Oxford Street only in any section at any time?
- (4) What action has been taken to ensure pedestrian access at all times?
- (5) What action has been taken to use signage or other measures to ensure that passersby know that businesses are operating during the work?
- (6) What plans does the Government have to prevent further impacts from this project?

Answer—

- (1) Extensive consultation has occurred between Ausgrid, the City of Sydney and Woollahra Councils, the State Transit Authority (STA) and the Roads and Traffic Authority (RTA).
As well as the notification distribution to the local State MP and other community groups, Ausgrid also offered to hold briefing sessions. This offer was not taken up.
- (2) Ausgrid contractors, Dunmain, provided notice to affected businesses one to two weeks prior to the commencement of each stage of works.
- (3) (a) to (e) Following community feedback, Ausgrid has agreed to stop work for a substantial period during the summer months and Christmas trading season to allow local businesses to trade uninterrupted during this peak time.
Ausgrid has staged this project to ensure that impacts on parking are minimised. There are no footpath closures associated with this project.
- (4) Pedestrian access and access to premises is maintained at all times during work.
- (5) Signage will be provided.
- (6) Ausgrid has undertaken extensive consultation and is continuing to work with all relevant stakeholders to minimise the impact of these essential works.

- 0730 SCHOOL TRANSPORT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0731 SYDNEY FISH MARKET REDEVELOPMENT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 0732 TOURIST-GENERATING INITIATIVES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0733 INVESTIGATIONS BY MARK STANDEN—Mr Nathan Rees 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—
- 0734 CRIME COMMISSION STAFF—Mr Nathan Rees 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—

- 0735 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSION STAFF—Mr Nathan Rees 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—
- 0736 SCHOOLS AS COMMUNITY CENTRES—CHERTSEY PUBLIC SCHOOL—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0737 SCHOOLS AS COMMUNITY CENTRES—CENTRAL COAST—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- *0738 SCHOOLS MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

What assessments were done of the maintenance requirements of NSW Government schools before the new maintenance contracts were awarded in February 2011?

Answer—

As the Department of Education and Communities is responsible for school maintenance, the question should be directed to the Minister for Education.

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- 0739 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL—REVIEW OF OPERATIONS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0740 SPECIALIST NUMERACY AND LITERACY TEACHERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0741 NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT TEACHERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0742 NUMBER OF FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT TEACHERS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0743 EDGEWORTH HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL—BOUNDARY FENCE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0744 EDGEWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL—MINMI ROAD OFF-STREET BUS STOP—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 0745 MILLFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL—FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0746 FLASHING LIGHTS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0747 SECURITY FENCING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0748 HUNTER EXPRESSWAY—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0749 ADVANCES IN TREATMENT OF CANCER PATIENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0750 CESSNOCK HOSPITAL EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT UPGRADE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0751 CESSNOCK AND KURRI KURRI HOSPITALS—ELECTRIC BEDS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- *0752 FINES ISSUED—Ms Sonia Hornery asked the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

(1) How much revenue is raised from fines issued within the Wallsend electorate?

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(2) What is the breakdown of the fines issued within the Wallsend electorate?

(3) How does this compare to other areas in NSW?

Answer—

In 2011-12 to date, the face value of fines issued in the Wallsend electorate is \$325,664.

To provide a breakdown and comparison to other areas in NSW would require considerable time and an unjustifiable diversion of resources away from the core responsibilities of the Office of State Revenue.

- 0753 USE OF "COMMERCIAL IN CONFIDENCE"—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0754 SUBSIDISATION OF NAVITAS PTY LTD—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0755 EXPLORATION LICENCE—DART ENERGY—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0756 GATE ACCESS FEES—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0757 MAINTENANCE WORKS—DOBELL BUILDING—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 0758 COMPREHENSIVE CANCER AND BLOOD DISORDER CENTRE—Ms Kristina Keneally to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0759 INQUIRY INTO CRIME COMMISSION—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—
- 0760 INTERN POSITIONS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0761 TRAINEE ENROLLED NURSE (TEN) PROGRAM—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0762 ADDITIONAL NURSING POSITIONS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0763 PREVENTATIVE HEALTH FIGHTING FUND—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0764 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0765 NSW HEALTH RESTRUCTURE—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0766 WIDENING OF TONGARRA CREEK BRIDGE—Ms Anna Watson to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

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- 0767 CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL SECURITY OFFICERS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 0768 KELLYVILLE RIDGE AND THE PONDS—BUS SERVICES—Mr Kevin Conolly to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0769 RECOMMENDATIONS IN RELATION TO MARK STANDEN—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 0770 TAXI TRANSPORT SUBSIDY SCHEME—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 0771 LOCAL HEALTH DISTRICTS—CLINICAL AND NON-CLINICAL STAFF—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

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- 0772 BANKSTOWN NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0773 BANKSTOWN WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0774 BANKSTOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0775 BANKSTOWN SOUTH INFANTS SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0776 BANKSIA ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0777 BASS HILL PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0778 GEORGES HALL PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0779 GREENACRE PUBLIC SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- 0780 MOUNT LEWIS INFANTS SCHOOL—AUDIT OF SCHOOL FACILITIES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
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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—
- (1) How many dwellings owned by the Department of Housing are being managed by non-Government agencies?
 - (2) What are the names of all non-Government agencies now managing Department of Housing properties?
 - (3) How many properties does each of the agencies named in (2) above manage?
 - (4) Do the tenants who reside in properties managed by these non-Government agencies pay the same rent as tenants who reside in dwellings managed by the Department of Housing?
 - (5) Will these tenants also get the rent increases that apply to all tenants of the department?
- 0966 ACCESS AND PARKING AT FUTURE NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- (1) What affordable and accessible car parking facilities will be provided for the 10,000 staff and students attending the future Newcastle city university campus?
 - (2) What additional public transport services, both rail and bus, will be provided for urban students to travel to the city campus?
- 0967 WALLSEND-GLENDALE HISTORIC TRAMWAY WALKWAY/SHARED PATHWAY—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- (1) When will the Wallsend-Glendale Historic Tramway walkway/shared pathway be completed?
 - (2) Has the completion date been delayed due to the private contractor, hired by Newcastle City Council, not building the path to acceptable standards?
- 0968 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR REFUGEES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask 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?
- 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—

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- (1) Are any of the suburbs within the electorate of Cabramatta covered by the Horsley Park Brigade (under the NSW Rural Fire Service)?
- (2) If so, what effect will the cutting of more than 75% of the Rural Fire Service's new and refurbished tankers have on the Cabramatta community?
- 0970 CABRAMATTA COMMUTER CAR PARK—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Transport—
- How much money was spent on the planning processes, meetings and stakeholder consultation for the Cabramatta commuter car park starting from when the project was announced until the 2011-12 NSW State Budget?
- 0971 POLICE INTEGRITY COMMISSIONER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask 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?
- 0972 CLINICAL NURSE EDUCATORS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) As at 30 June 2011, how many clinical nurse educators are employed in:
- The Children's Hospitals network;
 - CC LHN;
 - Illawarra Shoalhaven LHN;
 - Nepean Blue Mountains LHN;
 - NS LHN;
 - SES LHN;
 - SWS LHN;
 - Sydney LHN;
 - WS LHN;
 - Far West LHN;
 - HNE LHN;
 - MNC LHN;
 - Murrumbidgee LHN;
 - Northern NSW LHN;
 - Southern NSW LHN;
 - Western NSW LHN;
 - St Vincent's HN;
 - all of NSW?
- (2) What enhancements to nurse educators are planned in the 2011-12 budget?
- (3) What criteria are determined for nurse educator enhancements?
- (4) How many clinical nurse educator positions are vacant?
- 0973 DENTAL BUDGET—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regard to dental budget for NSW Health:
- What is the State Government expenditure for dental services for 2010-11?
 - What is the proposed State budget for dental services 2011-12?
 - What enhancements for NSW dental services are planned for the 2011-12 financial year?
 - As of 30 June 2011 how many FTE dentist positions are employed by NSW Health?
 - How many vacancies are there?
 - What plans does the Minister have for filling any vacancies?
- 0974 OUT OF HOSPITAL CARE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regard to the monitoring and reporting of out of hospital care (press release 24 September 2008):
- Will the Government commit to:
 - providing accurate and timely data on unplanned hospital readmissions;
 - conduct and publicly publish patient satisfaction surveys on out of hospital care;
 - ensure beds in private homes are not included in hospital bed counts?
 - When will this commitment be fulfilled?

0975 BETTER WORKPLACES FOR TEACHERS AND NURSES PROGRAM—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to the "Better workplaces for teachers and nurses" program promised by the Government (press release 5 June 2008):

- (1) When will this be introduced in NSW health?
- (2) What enhancements for this program will be part of the 2011-12 Budget?
- (3) What staffing will be required?
- (4) Where will the office be located?
- (5) When will the first surveys of health staff be undertaken?

0976 FEE FOR PROCESSING BLOOD PRODUCTS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to the processing fee charged by NSW Health to private hospitals for processing blood products:

- (1) How much is currently charged to a private hospital per unit of blood?
- (2) (a) Has the Minister abolished any other charges (such as transport) for blood use in private hospitals?
(b) If not, is the Minister planning to abolish any charges that may exist?

0977 CONNECTING CARE PROGRAM—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regard to the Connecting care program:

- (1) How many extra staff have been appointed to this program by 31 July 2011?
- (2) What qualifications are required?
- (3) Where are the extra staff located?
- (4) How many more staff will be employed in the 2011-12 financial year?
- (5) How will they aid in chronic disease management (i.e. will they be involved in individual case work, or on a population health basis)?
- (6) How will the \$15 million allocated to the program in the 2011-12 financial year be spent?

0978 HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Education—

With regards to Hurlstone Agricultural High School (HAHS):

- (1) What is the status of the proposed sale of 10 hectares of the school land?
- (2) How much money is expected to be raised?
- (3) If the sale is successful, how is the money proposed to be spent?

0979 EXPANSION OF NRE MINES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

Can the Minister outline where the current applications relating to the expansion of NRE mines in the Illawarra are up to?

0980 BULLI HOSPITAL—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

- (1) What is the Government's long-term plan for Bulli Hospital?
- (2) When will the Government announce this plan to the local community?