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- 1478 SECURITY AUDIT OF DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING UNITS IN WILLMOT—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 1479 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING MAINTENANCE LINE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1480 REJUVENATION OF CARDIFF CBD—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 1481 SCHOOL TRANSPORT FOR DISABLED CHILDREN—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1482 HUNTER MEDICAL ONCOLOGY SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1483 NATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR HANDLING OF DNA SAMPLES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- *1484 FREE SHUTTLE BUS SERVICE IN LIVERPOOL CBD—Mr Paul Lynch asked the Minister for Transport—
- (1) What is the status of the review of the free Shuttle Bus service operating in the Liverpool CBD?
 - (2) When will the review be completed?
 - (3) Will the results of the review be made public?
- Answer—
- (1) The review is underway.
 - (2) It expected the review will be completed by mid 2012.
 - (3) Yes.
- 1486 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR WORK ON NELSON PARADE PROPERTIES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—
- 1487 ISRAELI TRAINING AND ADVICE FOR NSW POLICE—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—
- 1488 DATES OF PRISON ESCAPES TO 30 JUNE 2011—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1489 FUNDING FOR SOUTH WESTERN REGIONAL TENANTS ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1490 LIVERPOOL SHUTTLE BUS STOPS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1491 COMMUNITY GROUPS AND STAKEHOLDERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1492 TRANSIT OFFICERS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1493 INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—
- 1495 PYRMONT AND ULTIMO ROAD SAFETY AND TRAFFIC—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1496 VOLUNTEER OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

1497 INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION RECOMMENDATIONS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Infrastructure NSW—

*1498 EASTERN SUBURBS RAIL NOISE ABATEMENT—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Transport—

With regard to the RailCorp noise abatement program for areas acutely affected by rail noise referred to in Question 0034 from May 2011:

- (1) What action has been taken to date on this project and what is the outcome of the Options Study;
- (2) What action has been taken to mitigate noise impacts caused by train horns and rail surface defects;
- (3) What does RailCorp's Rail Noise Abatement Program include and what timeframes are set;
- (4) What action is included in RailCorp's Rail Noise Abatement Program for the Eastern Suburbs Railway Line?
- (5) What further action will be taken to prevent train and railway noise impacts on inner city residents?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) RailCorp considers improving the quality of the train tracks through rail grinding and rerailing to be a priority in reducing the levels of train noise.

RailCorp rerailed the outbound track on the Rushcutters Bay viaduct on 9-10 October 2011.

(3) to (5) RailCorp's Noise Abatement Program is under development.

1499 HANDYMAN SERVICE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

1500 REGIONAL RELOCATION GRANT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

1501 DATA CENTRE IN THE ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

1502 WOONONA HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE LABORATORY UPGRADES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

1503 WOONONA EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL BUILDING UPGRADES—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

1504 ALLOCATION OF TEACHERS IN ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

1505 ALLOCATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS UPGRADE FUND IN KEIRA ELECTORATE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Education—

1506 MOUNT OUSLEY ROAD REST STOP UPGRADE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

1507 PRINCES HIGHWAY AND BELLEVUE ROAD UPGRADE AT FIGTREE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

1508 BULLI PCYC IMPROVEMENTS—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—

1509 MAINTENANCE OF PROPERTIES IN KEIRA ELECTORATE—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

1510 SPORT AND RECREATION FACILITY GRANT SCHEME IN ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—

1511 RESOURCES FOR REGIONS PROGRAM IN ILLAWARRA—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—

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- 1512 GREY NURSE SHARK PROTECTION REVIEWS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1513 INCREASED COST OF RAIL SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1514 POLICE ACTION IN WILLMOT DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING UNITS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- 1515 CARDIFF RAIL LIFTS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1516 CLEANING TIMES ON TRAINS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1517 NEWCASTLE INNER CITY BYPASS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1518 FIXED SPEED CAMERA AT JESMOND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1519 ROADSIDE LITTER IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1520 NURSE POSITIONS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1521 ASSISTED SCHOOL TRAVEL PROGRAM IN CABRAMATTA—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1522 CARERS IN THE CABRAMATTA ELECTORATE—Mr Nick Lalich to ask the Minister for Ageing, and Minister for Disability Services—
- 1523 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—
- 1524 CANCER SERVICES IN THE HUNTER—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1525 BUDGET POSITION OF NSW HEALTH—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1526 HOSPITAL BEDS IN THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL WESTMEAD—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1527 GLEN INNES RESEARCH AND ADVISORY STATION—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- 1528 HOSPITAL BEDS AT CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1529 CHILD DEATHS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- 1530 HOSPITAL BEDS IN LIVERPOOL HOSPITAL—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1531 REDFERN RAILWAY STATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1532 WILD GOAT RACES—Ms Clover Moore 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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- 1533 POLICE STATION PHONE SYSTEM AT WOLLONGONG—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—
- 1534 MAGISTRATES EARLY REFERRAL INTO TREATMENT—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1535 INTERSECTION AT F6 AND OLD MOUNT OUSLEY ROAD—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1536 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN THORNE STREET TORONTO—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1537 PERMANENT TEACHER ALLOCATION IN SCHOOLS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1538 DEMOUNTABLE BUILDINGS ON SCHOOL SITES—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1539 DEMOUNTABLE SCHOOL BUILDINGS OVER 5 YEARS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1540 TOTAL AMOUNT OF DEMOUNTABLE BUILDINGS IN NSW SCHOOLS—Ms Carmel Tebbutt to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1541 WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT LEVY—Mr Richard Torbay to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

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- 1542 MOTORWAY TRAFFIC LEVELS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- 1543 HOSPITALITY COURSES AT CESSNOCK TAFE AND KURRI KURRI TAFE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1544 MAITLAND HOSPITAL AND SECURITY STAFFING—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- 1545 GREYHOUND RACING—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 1546 PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT BREACHES IN PRISONS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1547 HUNTER TAFE ELECTROTECHNOLOGY ELECTRICIAN COURSE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1548 TRANSPORT FOR SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS IN CESSNOCK—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Education—
- 1549 LOCAL ART AND CULTURAL EVENT SPONSORSHIP—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Hospitality and Racing, and Minister for the Arts—
- 1550 SWEETWATER ACTION GROUP CAMPAIGN—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1551 HYDRO ALUMINIUM—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

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- 1554 FREIGHT TRAIN NOISE IN BELMORE—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for Transport—
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- 1563 WARATAH TRAINS ON BANKSTOWN LINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1564 DEMOUNTABLE REPLACEMENT FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
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- 1566 EASY ACCESS UPGRADE PROGRAM—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1567 CLOSURE OF PARAMATTA AND LIVERPOOL CTTT OFFICES—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
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- 1569 STRATA COMMUNITY AUSTRALIA NSW MEETINGS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
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- 1581 COMMUNITY AND STAKEHOLDER GROUPS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1582 TRAIN STATION STAFFING NUMBERS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Transport—
- 1583 BURRINJUCK DAM ELECTRICITY GENERATION—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 1584 LIVERPOOL COUNCIL CHAMBERS FIRE INVESTIGATION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
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- 1591 CONSUMER, TRADER AND TENANCY TRIBUNAL REGISTRY OFFICE—LIVERPOOL—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
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- 1593 DEDICATED OFF ROAD CYCLEWAYS IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—

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- 1596 GRAFFITI IN NEWCASTLE AND LAKE MACQUARIE CITY COUNCIL AREAS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- 1597 NURSES IN THE HUNTER—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 1599 PATIENT LIAISON OFFICERS AT JOHN HUNTER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 1604 HOUSING NSW MAINTENANCE CALLS—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
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- 1610 OUTSTANDING CREDITORS OF NSW HEALTH—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
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- 1633 SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN AT PUBLIC FACILITIES—Mrs Barbara Perry to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
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- 1641 PARRAMATTA CONSUMER TRADER AND TENANCY TRIBUNAL—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
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- 1652 ASSISTED SCHOOL TRAVEL PROGRAM IN WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
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- 1654 CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPPORT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

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- 1655 CENTRAL COAST EXPRESS SERVICES—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
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- 1732 MOUNT DRUITT HOSPITAL DENTAL CT SCANNER—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) Has a dental CT scanner been installed at the dental clinic within the grounds of the Mount Drutt Hospital?
 - (2) If so, what date will this machine commence operating?
 - (3) What has been the activity rate on this machine for each month since the commencement of its operations?
- 1733 GLENDALE POLICE STATION—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- With respect to the Government's pre-election commitment to lower crime and keep people in the Hunter safe, will the Government fulfill its commitment to build Glendale Police Station?
- 1734 CARERS IN THE ELECTORATE OF WALLSEND—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- How many full-time and part-time carers operate in the electorate of Wallsend?

- 1735 DAVID GONSKI REVIEW OF SCHOOL FUNDING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Education—
- With respect to the David Gonski review of school funding and noting that the poorest fifth of schools are almost all Government schools and four-fifths of the poorest children attend Government schools:
- (1) How does the Government ensure that Hunter students from disadvantaged backgrounds get the help they need to reach their potential and learn best?
 - (2) What programs does the Government provide in the Hunter for students:
 - (a) who are unable to live at home or are homeless;
 - (b) whose first language is not English and who have recently arrived in the country;
 - (c) who are from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander backgrounds;
 - (d) who have learning difficulties or a disability?
- 1736 PATIENT LIAISON OFFICERS AT CALVARY MATER HOSPITAL—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- (1) How many Patient Liaison Officers are there currently at The Calvary Mater Hospital Newcastle?
 - (2) Are there any plans to increase this number?
 - (3) If so, when?
- 1737 HUNTER STADIUM TRANSPORT—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- Given the traffic congestion during sporting events at Hunter Stadium, what actions will the Government and Hunter Venues take to improve public transport to and from major events?
- 1738 HUNTER VALLEY RESEARCH FOUNDATION FUNDING—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Deputy Premier, Minister for Trade and Investment, and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services—
- Given the invaluable work of the Hunter Valley Research Foundation (HVRF), will the Government reconsider its withdrawal of \$150,000 in annual funding to the organisation for the benefit of the Hunter community?
- 1739 HUNTER RAIL STATIONS—Ms Sonia Hornery to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Is the Government considering handing over Hunter rail stations to the private sector?
 - (2) If so, which stations will be privatised and when?
- 1740 REGULATION NO. 596—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- Why did the Minister recommend the making of Regulation No. 596 of 2011?
- 1741 NSW DENTAL TASKFORCE REPORT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
- (1) Will the Minister release publically the report of the NSW Dental Taskforce?
 - (2) If so, when?
 - (3) If not, why not?
- 1742 FELONY MURDER—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- In relation to the offence of felony murder pursuant to the NSW Crimes Act (s.18):
- (1) How many people in NSW have been charged with this offence?
 - (2) How many trials have been conducted in NSW with this as a count in an indictment?
 - (3) How many people have pleaded guilty to an indictment with this as a count?
 - (4) How many people have been convicted of this offence in the following periods:
 - (a) 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010;
 - (b) 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;
 - (c) 1 July 2011 to date?
- 1743 ABOLITION OF STRIKWERDA PRINCIPLE—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Has the Attorney General or his department requested or commissioned an actuarial assessment on the likely affect that abolishing the Strikwerda principle would have on damages claims and the overall liabilities of dust diseases defendants and their insurers?
 - (2) If so, when?

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- (3) If not, why not?
- 1744 LICENSING OF SEX WORKERS AND BROTHELS—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Does the Attorney General or the Government have any proposals to regulate, license or alter the regulation on licensing of sex workers and/or brothels?
 - (2) If so, when will such plans be released?
- 1745 LEGAL AID—CIVIL LITIGATION SECTION—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) What is the current staffing level of the Civil Litigation section of Legal Aid NSW?
 - (2) How many matters were dealt with by the Civil Litigation section of Legal Aid NSW in the year 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011?
- 1746 SPENDING ON LEGAL SERVICES—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) How much did the Government spend on legal services in the following periods:
 - (a) 1 July 2011 to 21 December 2011;
 - (b) 1 January 2012 to date?
 - (2) (a) What savings are projected from the legal services blueprint released by the Government in August 2011?
(b) How are they calculated?
- 1747 JAMES HARDIE FUNDING AGREEMENT—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Has the Attorney General or his department requested or commissioned legal advice regarding any consequences for the amended and restated final funding agreement with James Hardie arising from the recommendations in NSW Law Reform Commission Report No. 131 "Compensation to Relatives"?
 - (2) If so, when?
 - (3) If not, why not?
- 1748 EMAIL FROM SAM EKERMAWI—Mr Paul Lynch to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—
- (1) Does the Attorney General propose to reply to the email from Sam Ekermawi dated 8 March 2012 concerning Legal Aid and Mr Ekermawi's application involving the Administrative Decisions Tribunal?
 - (2) If so, when?
 - (3) If so, what will the answer be?
 - (4) If the application is unsuccessful, why?
- 1749 NEW BEDS OPENED—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- Given the Minister's claims to have opened 550 new beds across NSW in her first year of Government:
- (1) In which hospitals were these beds opened?
 - (2) How many beds were opened in each of these hospitals?
 - (3) What was the initial date of commissioning for patient care of these beds?
- 1750 SECURITY OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY NSW HEALTH—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—
- With regards to security officers employed by NSW Health:
- (1) How many full time equivalent (FTE) staff are employed?
 - (2) What licence requirements are necessary for employment?
 - (3) What is the total budget for NSW Health for these employees?
 - (4) Are any private firms also subcontracted to provide security guards?
 - (5) Are the NSW Health-employed security guards permitted to carry/use handcuffs or batons in every local health district?
 - (6) Are they permitted to search bags or clients if requested to do so by nursing staff if there are

concerns for the safety of staff?

1751 EMERGENCY WAITING TIMES WEBSITE—Dr Andrew McDonald to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

With regards to the emergency waiting times website:

- (1) How many times has the website been "down" since July 2011?
- (2) On which dates was it "down"?
- (3) On each occasion, for how many hours was it "down"?

1752 ASSURANCES TO SUBCONTRACTORS—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Finance and Services, and Minister for the Illawarra—

- (1) Has the Government given any assurances to the subcontractors, who lost money as a result of their involvement with the NSW public housing stimulus projects, that they will be offered first preference by St Hilliers to finish those jobs and recover some of the monies owing to them?
- (2) Was this a part of the tender that was entered into between the Government and St Hilliers?

1753 JOBS CREATED—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

Of the 100,000 new jobs the Coalition promised it would create before the last election, how many jobs have been created in the Wollongong Local Government Area since the Government was elected in March 2011?

1754 CLIENT SERVICE OFFICER AND TEAM LEADER TRAINING—Mr Ryan Park to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

What training did client service officers and team leaders of Housing NSW receive when the new maintenance line was introduced?

1755 CONFUCIUS CLASSROOMS—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Education—

- (1) (a) Does the Government have a copy of the curriculum of the Confucius Classrooms?
(b) If yes, is it publicly available?
- (2) (a) Does the Government have a contract relating to the operation of so-called "Confucius Classrooms" in NSW public schools?
(b) If yes, who is this contract with?
- (3) How does the NSW Department of Education and Communities ensure that students in Confucius Classrooms are taught by approved department teachers and the curriculum programs are based on prescribed Board of Studies New South Wales syllabuses?
- (4) How does the NSW Department of Education and Communities ensure the schools and classes adhere to department policies and procedures?
- (5) How are the Confucius Classrooms funded?
- (6) Does the following clause apply to the operation of Confucius Classrooms in NSW public schools:
"The School needs to match Hanban funding 1:1 with a cash or in kind contribution except for the one first payment in the form of start-up fund of \$US10,000 plus a request for up to \$US20,000 in equipment"?
- (7) Who teaches in the Confucius Classrooms in NSW public schools?
- (8) What qualifications are required for the volunteer teachers of Confucius Classrooms?
- (9) Are the volunteer teachers subject to any Australian/NSW accreditation?
- (10) What is the jurisdiction of the NSW Department of Education and Communities on "volunteer teachers"?
- (11) How are teaching methods in Confucius Classes measured and supervised?
- (12) Is there any political content included in the classes?
- (13) What measures are in place to ensure that the Chinese government does not exert influence over what is taught in NSW schools?
- (14) What measures are in place to monitor the quality and the independence of the classes?
- (15) What measures are in place to ensure that history and culture are taught without censorship, bias or omission?
- (16) In which year did the Department of Education and Training and the Chinese Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China enter into a memorandum of understanding to boost the teaching and learning of Chinese in our public schools?
(a) Is this agreement publicly available?

- (b) If yes, where can it be accessed?
- (17) How does the memorandum of understanding between the NSW and Chinese governments specifically outline that the language and culture content taught in NSW schools will conform to the Chinese language syllabuses as independently prescribed by the Board of Studies?
- (18) (a) Does the memorandum of understanding between the NSW and Chinese governments specifically assign responsibility for the management of the Confucius Classrooms to the Confucius Institute?
- (b) If yes, does this responsibility include developing annual activity plans, budgets and final accountings for the Confucius Classroom, and submitting to the Headquarters for approval?
- (19) Does the memorandum of understanding between the NSW and Chinese governments state that the Confucius Institute should also report to the Confucius Institute Headquarters concerning the operation of Confucius Classrooms on a regular basis?
- (20) (a) Is the memorandum of understanding between the NSW and Chinese governments publicly available?
- (b) If yes, where can it be accessed?
- (21) Does the NSW Department of Education and Communities have existing agreements with other foreign governments to support language and culture education in NSW public schools?
- (a) If yes, which governments?
- (b) If yes, are these agreements publicly available?
- 1756 GLOVER STREET PLAYING FIELD DEVELOPMENT FUNDING—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Sport and Recreation—
- (1) Has the Minister received an application from Leichhardt Council for special project development funding for the Glover Street playing field, Callan Park, Rozelle?
- (2) What is the timeline for when this grant funding application will be determined?
- 1757 MOBILITY PARKING SCHEME PERMITS—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- (1) How many people currently hold an RTA Mobility Parking Scheme (MPS) permit?
- (2) How many people currently holding an MPS permit have a clinically recognised permanent disability?
- (3) What provisions does the RTA have in place for MPS permit holders who have a clinically recognised permanent disability?
- (4) Must persons with a clinically recognised permanent disability present to their general practitioner (GP) to complete sections 2 and 3 of the application form?
- (5) What is the reasoning behind requiring a person with a clinically recognised permanent disability to repeatedly visit his or her GP in order to have the same form filled out, testifying to the same permanent disability?
- (6) Has the RTA considered modifying the MPS application form so that it caters for a range of applicants?
- (7) Has the RTA considered modifying its covering letter for the MPS application form to recognise the range of applicants?