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PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY SPOKEN QUESTION ON NOTICE

NSW Joint Standing Committee on Road Safety

30 April 2024

QoN Number: 1

Subject: Battery Fires in shipping containers at Docks

Asked by: Warren Kirby

Question:

The ACTING CHAIR: Are you aware of any fires that have taken place in containers on the docks, given we're talking about 90 million coming in? Have there been incidents that have happened on the docks that you are aware of?

TONY SMITH: Not that I'm aware of. I'm happy to take that on notice to check from the ABF's perspective.

Answer:

The ABF is not aware of any fire-related incidents that have occurred within Customs controlled areas of Australia's ports related to lithium-ion batteries.