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PORTFOLIO COMMITTEES

## **BUDGET ESTIMATES 2024-2025**

### **Supplementary questions**

Portfolio Committee No. 5 – Justice and Communities

**Attorney-General (Daley)**

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## BUDGET ESTIMATES 2024-2025

### SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

#### Questions from Dr Amanda Cohn MLC

##### Data on historical homosexual offences

- (1) How many individuals were charged with offences that have become eligible for extinguishment, as specified in the [Extinguishment of Historical Homosexual Offences](#).
- (2) How many charges were laid of offences now eligible to be extinguished?
- (3) How many individuals have applied for extinguishment?
- (4) How many individual offences have been extinguished?
- (5) What, if any, funding or resourcing has been provided to community legal centres to assist clients seeking to extinguish historical offences since the scheme was introduced?
- (6) How many pieces of correspondence have been sent to notify individuals of their eligibility for extinguishment?
- (7) With regard to Question Nos 1- 6, in circumstances where it is not possible for responses or data to be provided, as indicated in the hearing, please provide an explanation of the relevant limitations.

Related link: [https://dcj.nsw.gov.au/documents/legal-and-justice/royal-prerogative-of-mercy/Historical\\_homosexual\\_convictions\\_-\\_fact\\_sheet\\_updated\\_June\\_2024.pdf](https://dcj.nsw.gov.au/documents/legal-and-justice/royal-prerogative-of-mercy/Historical_homosexual_convictions_-_fact_sheet_updated_June_2024.pdf)

#### Questions from Ms Abigail Boyd MLC

##### Disability Royal Commission recommendations under the remit of Attorney General

- (8) Which recommendations does the Attorney General have partial or full responsibility for?
- (9) On the recommendations relating to trustee and guardianship reforms and supported decision making which were rejected as “subject to further consideration”, the NSW Government commented that “a Guardianship Working Group, made up of both government and non-government stakeholders has been engaged to inform the development of the NSW response to these recommendations. The Government is also

undertaking a detailed assessment of the operational and resourcing impacts of reforms.”

What will this detailed assessment entail?

- (a) Who is responsible for the assessment?
  - (b) What is the timeline for the assessment?
  - (c) Please provide a list of the government and non-government stakeholders on the Guardianship Working Group.
  - (d) Who is responsible for coordination of the Guardianship Working Group?
  - (e) How many times has the Guardianship Working Group met and for how long?
- (10) The NSW Government responded to recommendation 6.6 Supported decision-making principles with “subject to further consideration”. Why was NSW one of only 2 states that responded this way, when the majority of states responded with “accept in principle”?
- (11) The NSW Government responded to recommendation 8.24 Disability-inclusive definition of family and domestic violence with “subject to further consideration”. What is being considered by the government in relation to this?
- (a) Has the Attorney General engaged with any stakeholders in relation to disability-inclusive definitions of domestic and family violence?
  - (b) Will the NSW Government commit to undertake an analysis in relation to disability-inclusive definitions of domestic and family violence, noting that the Victorian Government accepted this recommendation in principle and committed to undertaking a detailed analysis in relation to this?
- (12) The NSW Government responded to recommendations 11.14 Establishing disability death review schemes and 11.15 Disability death review scheme requirements with “subject to further consideration”. What is the NSW Government considering in relation to this?
- (a) Has the Attorney General engaged with any stakeholders in relation to reviewing disability deaths?
  - (b) According to the NSW Ombudsman Annual Report 2021-2022, the NSW Ombudsman indicated it would table its final public report about its disability death function in late 2022, however it has not been tabled to date. Is the NSW Government aware of the progress of this report?

- (13) The NSW Government accepted in full recommendation 11.17 Nationally consistent reportable conduct schemes. Will the Attorney General have responsibility for ensuring this commitment is followed through?
- (a) In relation to the Government's commitment to amend our reportable conduct legislation to explicitly include organisations that provide disability services to children, including NDIS providers, can the NSW Government provide a timeline for this?
- (b) The NSW Government commented it “will progress the elements of this recommendation that relate to improving data collection and reporting as part of our joint efforts with other jurisdictions to progress the broader data-related recommendations in Volume 12, Beyond the Royal Commission with other jurisdictions.” What is the timeline for which the government will be progressing these elements?

<b>Questions from Hon Tania Mihailuk MLC</b>
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#### **DPP Review into sexual assault trials**

- (14) With respect to the review into all adult sexual assault trials listed between 1 April of 2023 and 31 December 2024, can you please confirm of the 330 cases, how many were discontinued once the review commenced?
- (a) How many adult sexual assault cases set for trial were discontinued in the lead up to the review being commenced:
- i. Specifically 1 week before the review commenced?
  - ii. Specifically 2 weeks prior to the review commencing?
  - iii. Total number of sexual assault cases discontinued from 1 March 2023 to 1 April 2023?

#### **Case law**

- (15) Please provide the name of the individual or title of the individual who instructed that the case R v Smith handed down on 27 February 2024 be removed and listed as restricted from the 23rd of August 2024?

- (a) Was this pursuant to an order or an administrative decision?
  - (b) Will the restriction be lifted? If so, when? If not, why not?
- (16) Please provide the name of the individual or title of the individual who instructed that the case R v Martinez handed down on 5 December 2023 be removed and listed as restricted from the 29th of August 2024?
- (a) What this pursuant to an order or an administrative decision?
  - (b) Will the restriction be lifted? If so, when? If not, why not?

<b>Questions from Hon Chris Rath MLC (on behalf of the Opposition)</b>
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## **ATTORNEY-GENERAL**

### **Protocols**

- (17) Mindful of the statement made to the Committee by the DPP which flagged the importance of a recognising interference which undermines trust in government and the legal system, is there a written protocol or similar document concerning contact between the Director of Public Prosecutions and the Chief Judge of the District Court?
- (a) If yes, where is it available?
  - (b) If yes and the document is not publicly available, please provide a copy.
  - (c) If not, what do you understand are the appropriate conventional or ethical limitations as to issues that may be raised in contact between the DPP and CJ of the DC?
- (18) Is there a written protocol or similar document concerning complaints made by the Director of Public Prosecutions to the Chief Judge of the District Court?
- (a) If yes:
    - i. please produce a copy; and
    - ii. please identify how many times complaints have been made pursuant to that protocol.

- (19) Is there a written protocol or similar document concerning contact between the Director of Public Prosecutions and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?
- (a) If yes, please produce a copy.
  - (b) If not, what do you understand are the appropriate conventional or ethical limitations as to issues that may be raised in contact between the DPP and CJ of the SC?
- (20) Is there a written protocol or similar document concerning complaints made by the Director of Public Prosecutions to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?
- (a) If yes:
    - i. please produce a copy; and
    - ii. please identify how many times complaints have been made pursuant to that protocol.
- (21) On how many occasions this calendar year (excluding social interactions) has the Director of Public Prosecutions corresponded directly, by any means, with:
- (a) Judge of the District Court?
    - i. On how many occasions did this correspondence make a complaint or raise any issue with the conduct of a matter by a judge or justice?
  - (b) A Justice of the Supreme Court?
    - i. On how many occasions did this correspondence make a complaint or raise any issue with the conduct of a matter by a judge or justice?
  - (c) On how many occasions were each of these relevant pieces of correspondence an ex parte communication?
- (22) On how many occasions in the calendar year 2023 (excluding social interactions) did the Director of Public Prosecutions corresponded directly, by any means, with:
- (a) a Judge of the District Court?
  - (b) A justice of the Supreme Court?
  - (c) On how many of these occasions did this correspondence make a complaint or raise any issue with the conduct of a matter by a judge or justice?
  - (d) On how many of these occasions was this correspondence an ex parte communication?

- (23) Given that the Director stated that her “office’s decisions are rigorously overseen by the courts”, why did the Director consider that any *ex parte* communication was appropriate?

### **Communications with members of the judiciary**

- (24) In what circumstances can litigants properly communicate directly with members of the judiciary?
- (25) In what circumstances can clients of barristers or solicitors, with a matter before the court, properly communicate directly with members of the judiciary?

### **Conduct of matters**

- (26) Since 1 June 2023, how many indictable matters have been or are being prosecuted by or on behalf of the Director of Public Prosecutions?
- (a) In how many of those matters has a different prosecutor had carriage of the matter after committal?
- (27) Since 1 June 2023:
- (a) How many sexual assault, sexual touching or similar prosecutions have been finalised in the District Court?
- i. Of those, in how many was the lead advocate:
1. *A salaried crown prosecutor?*
  2. *A barrister from the private bar?*
  3. *A solicitor?*

### **DPP Audit**

- (28) The DPP gave evidence that prior to the current audit by the ODPP of sexual assault cases, 23 matters had already been identified as raising issues for further consideration, and so were excluded from the review. From 1 June 2023 to 1 September 2024 how many sexual assault cases in total were identified by the prosecution team as requiring further consideration by either the Director or a Deputy Director?
- (a) On how many occasions were issues identified by a solicitor with carriage of the matter?

- (b) On how many occasions were issues identified by a barrister with carriage of the matter?
  - (c) On how many occasions were issues identified by a member of Director's chambers who did not have carriage of the matter?
- (29) With respect to the matters identified in the previous question:
- (a) On how many occasions was the matter discontinued?
  - (b) On how many occasions on which a barrister with carriage of the matter raised the issue was the matter discontinued?
  - (c) On how many occasions on which a solicitor with carriage of the matter raised the issue was the matter discontinued?

**Structure of DPP office**

- (30) What is the career progression path for a solicitor in the ODPP?
- (31) What is the career progression path for a Crown Prosecutor in the ODPP?
- (32) Who is responsible for mentoring staff and staff development in the ODPP?
- (33) How are staff encouraged to develop the necessary professional skill of autonomous decision making?
- (34) What is the unit known as Director's Chambers?
  - (a) How many staff are employed there?
  - (b) Please provide roll titles and the years of experience of each person employed in Director's Chambers
  - (c) What is the total yearly salary expenditure of Director's Chambers?
  - (d) What are the communication channels between regional offices and the Director's Chambers?
  - (e) How are staff recruited to join Director's Chambers?
    - i. Do employed solicitors and Crown Prosecutors rotate through Director's Chambers as part of their career development?
  - (f) If conflicting advice about a matter is provided by a Crown Prosecutor and a member of Director's Chambers, is there a protocol or practice to resolve any conflict?



- i. If yes, please provide a copy.
  - ii. If no, please provide a summary of how the last 30 conflicts were resolved.
- (35) Other than the published Prosecution Guidelines are salaried Crown Prosecutors the subject of standing instructions from the Director, a Deputy Director, or any other part of the ODPP?
- (a) If yes, please provide copies.
  - (b) If yes, what is the source of power relied on to give those instructions?

### **Crown Prosecutors and Bar Rules**

- (36) Have salaried Crown prosecutors ever had the discretion to discontinue or not proceed with a prosecution that has been assigned to them if they are of the opinion that there are no reasonable prospects of success?
- (37) Do salaried Crown prosecutors currently have the discretion to discontinue or not proceed with a prosecution that has been assigned to them if they are of the opinion that there are no reasonable prospects of success?
- (38) If a salaried Crown prosecutor advises that a prosecution should either not proceed or should be discontinued, and the Director decides that it should proceed, is the matter re-assigned to another Crown prosecutor?
- (39) If not, what measures are in place to ensure compliance by the salaried Crown prosecutor with Rule 86 of the Legal Profession Uniform Conduct (Barristers) Rules 2015?
- (40) On how many occasions since 1 June 2023 have salaried Crown Prosecutors returned briefs because of ethical concerns or as a result of the Legal Profession Uniform Conduct (Barristers) Rules 2015?
- (a) If in fewer than 5% of all matters do you have concerns that the culture of the ODPP makes it difficult for salaried Crown Prosecutors to fulfil their ethical responsibilities?
- (41) Rule 4 of the Legal Profession Uniform Conduct (Barristers) Rules 2015 provides at paragraph (e) that “barristers should exercise their forensic judgements and give their advice independently and for the proper administration of justice, notwithstanding any contrary desires of their clients”. Given the DPP’s testimony (draft p 68) that the DPP is the client

in NSW Criminal prosecutions what processes are in place in the ODPP to ensure that Crown Prosecutors can fulfil the ethical requirements imposed by Rule 4 without influence by the DPP client?

- (42) Are opening or closing addresses of Crown Prosecutors ever reviewed by other staff in the ODPP? If yes, please explain what processes are in place to ensure that Rule 64 of the Legal Profession Uniform Conduct (Barristers) Rules 2015 is met.

### **Complaints against the DPP**

- (43) Is or has the current DPP been the subject of any complaints by any sitting judicial officer?
- (a) If yes, what is the manner that such a complaint is made;
  - (b) To whom is the complaint made?
  - (c) When was/were the complaints made?
  - (d) By whom were any complaints made?
  - (e) What is the current status of any investigation or consideration of any complaint?

### **Complaints by the DPP**

- (44) Since 1 June 2023 has the DPP made any formal complaints in relation to any sitting judicial officer?
- (a) If yes, when and to whom were the complaints made?
  - (b) In respect of which judicial officer(s) were complaints made?
  - (c) What is the current status of any investigation or consideration of any complaint?
  - (d) Please provide a copy of any complaint made.
  - (e) In respect of each complaint, why was a complaint rather than an appeal against the decision of the judicial officer the appropriate manner for the DPP to ventilate the issues which were the subject of the complaint in the matter?

### **Union membership**

- (45) Are you a member of a union?
- (a) If yes, what union?

### **TikTok**

(46) Are you on TikTok?

(a) If yes, do you access TikTok from a NSW Government device?

**Land audit – Department(s)/Agency(s)**

(47) Has your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) undertaken a land audit of surplus government property in any of the following postcodes:

(a) 2077?

(b) 2079?

(c) 2080?

(d) 2081?

(e) 2082?

(f) 2083?

(g) 2117?

(h) 2118?

(i) 2119?

(j) 2120?

(k) 2121?

(l) 2125?

(m) 2126?

(n) 2151?

(o) 2154?

(p) 2156?

(q) 2157?

(r) 2158?

(s) 2159?

(t) 2756?

(u) 2775?

i. If yes to (a) to (u), how many properties have been identified?

## **Signal**

(48) Are you on Signal?

(a) If yes, do you access Signal from a NSW Government device?

## **CFMEU membership**

(49) Have you ever been a member of the Construction, Forestry and Maritime Employees Union (CFMEU)?

(a) If yes, when?

## **Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports**

(50) In what month will the 2023-24 annual reports for each department / agency in your portfolio be published?

(51) Will the 2023-24 annual reports for the department / agency in your portfolio include a printed copy?

(a) If yes, how much is budgeted for printing in 2024-25?

## **ETU membership**

(52) Have you ever been a member of the Electrical Trades Union (ETU)?

(a) If yes, when?

## **Paper shredder**

(53) Does your ministerial office have a paper shredder?

## **Department(s)/Agency(s) in Portfolio**

(54) What department(s)/agency(s) are included in your portfolio?

## **Former Ministerial Employees**

(55) Are there any former employee from your ministerial office now employed by any department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?

(a) If yes, how many?

## **Qantas Chairman's Club**

(56) Are you a Member of the Qantas Chairman's Club?

- (a) If no, have you ever previously been a member?
- (b) If yes, when did you cease to be a member?
- (c) If yes, when did you initially become a member?
- (d) If yes, when did you make a declaration to The Cabinet Office?
- (e) If yes, how many times since 28 March 2023 have you used the Qantas Chairman's Club?

### **Ministerial Staff – Local Government Councillors**

- (57) As at 30 June 2024, how many of your ministerial staff were local government councillors?
- (58) What local government(s) did they serve?

### **ETU meetings**

- (59) Given ministerial diary disclosures do not include all meetings and provide exceptions to disclosures, since 28 March 2023, have you met with the ETU?

### **State Records Act**

- (60) Have you and your ministerial office had training and/or a briefing about the State Records Act from State Records NSW and/or The Cabinet Office and/or Premier's Department?
  - (a) If yes, when?

### **Legal Costs**

- (61) How much did the Department/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spend in legal costs since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?

### **Media releases and statements**

- (62) Are all the ministerial media releases and statements issued by you publicly available at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases>?
  - (a) If no, why?

### **Advertising**

- (63) How much has each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities spent on advertising or sponsored posts since 28 March 2023 on the following social media platforms:

- (a) Facebook
- (b) Instagram
- (c) LinkedIn
- (d) TikTok
- (e) YouTube
- (f) X (formerly known as Twitter)

### **Catering**

- (64) How much of your ministerial budget was spent on catering in 2023-24?
- (65) Was catering used for external stakeholders?
  - (a) If yes, who were these external stakeholders?

### **Parliamentary Secretary**

- (66) Does your Parliamentary Secretary have pass access to your ministerial office?
- (67) Does your Parliamentary Secretary have a desk in your ministerial office?
- (68) Did any catering costs in 2023-24 include expenditure on alcohol?

### **Gin**

- (69) Since 28 March 2023, have you or your ministerial office purchased 'gin' using your ministerial budget?

### **Ministerial Vehicles and Driving Offences**

- (70) Since 28 March 2023, have you personally driven your ministerial vehicle?
- (71) As a driver since 28 March 2023:
  - (a) Have you been pulled over by the NSW Police Force?
  - (b) Have you been fined for speeding?
  - (c) Have you been fined for school zone related offence?
  - (d) Have you been fined for red light related offence?
  - (e) Have you been involved in an accident that included the NSW Police attending the scene?

- i. If yes to a) to e), did this include whilst driving your ministerial vehicle?

### **Speeches**

- (72) Does your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) draft and write speeches for you?
- (73) How many public servants have undertaken writing speeches in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s)?

### **Hard hats and/or vests**

- (74) Do you have a hard hat and/or vest for visiting infrastructure sites?
- (a) If yes, was it paid from your ministerial budget?

### **Ministerial Advisers**

- (75) How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office in 2023-24 FY?
- (76) What is the average salary for staff members in your ministerial office in 2023-24 FY?

### **Ministerial disclosures to The Cabinet Office**

- (77) On what date did you last update/make a ministerial disclosure to The Cabinet Office?

### **GIPA Applications / Standing Order 52 – Ministerial Office**

- (78) Does your ministerial office have staff member(s) to undertake Government Information (Public Access) Act application(s) and/or Standing Order 52 requests?
- (a) If yes, has that ministerial staffer(s) received formal training about their legal obligations?
- (79) How many GIPA Applications have been received by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

### **Police Commissioner Gin**

- (80) Have you received gin from the Police Commissioner?

### **Cabinet Sub Committees**

- (81) What cabinet sub committees are you a member of?

### **E-Toll**

- (82) Does your ministerial vehicle have an E-Toll?

- (a) If yes, is expenditure paid by your by your ministerial budget?

### **Department(s)/Agency(s) Gifts and Hospitality Register**

- (83) Does your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) have a gifts and/or hospitality register?

- (a) If yes, is it available online?
  - i. If yes, what is the URL?

### **Workplace complaints**

- (84) Have you been the subject of any workplace complaints, including bullying, harassment, and sexual harassment since 28 March 2023?
- (85) Has any member of your ministerial staff been the subject of any workplace complaints, including bullying, harassment, and sexual harassment since 28 March 2023?

### **Ministerial staff disclosure of gifts and/or hospitality**

- (86) Does your ministerial office keep a register of gifts and/or hospitality for staff to make disclosures?
- (87) Have any staff members in your office been the recipient of any free hospitality?
  - (a) What was the total value of the hospitality received?
  - (b) Are these gifts of hospitality declared?

### **Ministerial Code of Conduct**

- (88) Since 28 March 2023, have you breached the Ministerial Code of Conduct?
  - (a) If yes, what was the breach?

### **CFMEU meetings**

- (89) Given ministerial diary disclosures do not include all meetings and provide exceptions to disclosures, since 28 March 2023, have you met with the CFMEU?

### **Credit Cards**

- (90) Have you ever been issued with a credit card by a NSW Government department(s) and/or agency(s) since 28 March 2023?
  - (a) If yes, under what circumstance?



- (b) If yes, what items and expenditure was undertaken?
- (91) For each department, agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:
- (a) How many credit cards are currently on issue for staff? (Please provide a break-down of this information by grade)
  - (b) What was the value of the largest reported purchase on a credit card for the last year?
  - (c) What was each largest reported purchase for?
  - (d) What was the largest amount outstanding on a single card at the end of a payment period?
  - (e) And what was the card holder's employment grade?
  - (f) How many credit cards have been reported lost or stolen?
  - (g) What was the cost to replace them?
  - (h) How many credit card purchases were deemed to be illegitimate or contrary to agency policy?
    - i. How many purchases were asked to be repaid on the basis that they were illegitimate or contrary to agency policy and what was the total value thereof?
    - ii. Were all those amounts repaid?
  - (i) Are any credit cards currently on issue connected to rewards schemes?
    - i. Do staff receive any personal benefit as a result of those reward schemes?
    - ii. Can a copy of the staff credit card policy please be provided?

**Department(s)/agency(s) desk or office**

- (92) Do you have a desk or office in your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) building(s)?

**Senior Executive Drivers**

- (93) How many senior executives in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) have a driver?

**Mobile phones**

- (94) How many mobile phones has your ministerial office been allocated as at 1 July 2024?
- (95) How many mobile phones in your ministerial office have been lost or stolen since 28 March 2023?

### **Efficiency dividends**

- (96) Was an efficiency dividend applied to your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) within your portfolio responsibilities in:
- (a) 2023-24?
  - (b) 2024-25?
    - i. If so, what was the efficiency dividend applied to each department/agency?
    - ii. What measures are being considered to achieve this efficiency dividend?

### **Stationery**

- (97) How much of your ministerial budget was spent on stationery in 2023-24?
- (98) Did your stationery expenditure include gifts for external stakeholders?
- (a) If yes, what was the gift(s)?
  - (b) If yes, who received the gift(s)?

### **Consultants**

- (99) Since 28 March 2023, how many consultancy contracts have been signed in your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
- (a) What was the individual amount of each contract?
  - (b) What is the purpose of each contract?
  - (c) Who was the contract with?
  - (d) Did the contract go through a competitive tender?

### **GIPA Applications – Department(s)/Agency(s)**

- (100) Since 28 March 2023, have you and/or your ministerial office given instructions to your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) in relation to Government Information (Public Access) Act application(s)?

### **Department(s)/Agency(s) Travel**

- (101) As Minister, do you approve overseas travel for public servants in your portfolio department(s) / Agency(s)?
- (a) If yes, how many overseas trips have you approved since 28 March 2023?

- (102) Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on charter air flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
- (103) Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on domestic flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
- (a) Of these, how many flights were taken in business class?
- (104) Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on international flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
- (a) Of these, how many flights were taken in business class?
  - (b) Of these, how many flights were taken in first class?
- (105) What was the total expenditure since 28 March 2023 by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:
- (a) Taxi hire?
  - (b) Ridesharing services?
  - (c) Limousine/private car hire?
  - (d) Hire car rental?

### **Union membership fees**

- (106) What was the expenditure for you to join a union in:
- (a) 2022-23?
  - (b) 2023-24?
  - (c) 2024-25?

### **Training**

- (107) Since 28 March 2023, have you had training from an external stakeholder that included an invoice and payment paid for using your ministerial budget?
- (a) If yes, what is the description of training?
  - (b) If yes, how much?

### **Cabinet documents**

(108) Since 28 March 2023, have you shared Cabinet documents with your Parliamentary Secretary?

### **Website usage**

(109) What were the top 20 most utilised (by data sent and received) unique domain names accessed by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

(110) What were the top 20 most accessed (by number of times accessed) unique domain names accessed by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

### **Department(s)/Agency(s) Employees**

(111) How many senior executive service employees were employed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:

(a) 28 March 2023?

(b) 1 July 2023?

(c) 1 January 2024?

(d) 1 July 2024?

(112) How many public servants within your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) were paid more than the Premier in 2023-24?

(113) How many redundancies were processed by each Department(s)/agency(s) within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?

(a) Of these redundancies, how many were:

i. Voluntary?

ii. Forced?

(b) What was the total cost of all redundancies in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?

### **Ministerial visits**

(114) Since 28 March 2023, have you visited any of these postcodes:

(a) 2077?

(b) 2079?

- (c) 2080?
- (d) 2081?
- (e) 2082?
- (f) 2083?
- (g) 2117?
- (h) 2118?
- (i) 2119?
- (j) 2120?
- (k) 2121?
- (l) 2125?
- (m) 2126?
- (n) 2151?
- (o) 2154?
- (p) 2156?
- (q) 2157?
- (r) 2158?
- (s) 2159?
- (t) 2756?
- (u) 2775?

i. If yes to (a) to (u):

1. *What was the purpose of the visit(s)?*
2. *Did you make a funding announcement(s)?*

**Camera, video recorder and microphones**

(115) Does your ministerial office have the following paid by your ministerial budget:

- (a) Handheld camera?
- (b) Handheld video recorder?

- (c) Microphone?
  - i. If yes to (a) to (c), how much is each worth when purchased?

<b>Questions from Ms Sue Higginson MLC</b>
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(116) In each of the 19/20, 20/21, 21/22, 22/23, 23/24 and current financial years, how many times has the Children’s Court exercised the power in section 85 to request provision of a restoration service to a child or young person or their family, in order to facilitate the safe restoration of the child or young person to their family?

- (a) Please include a breakdown of:
  - i. the nature of the service requested;
  - ii. how many requests were directed to ACCOs; and
  - iii. how many requests were in relation to a First Nations child or young person.

(117) Since March 2024, how many children and young people aged 10-12 have been charged under new post and boast offences?

- (a) Of whom, how many
  - i. Are First Nations?
  - ii. Have a disability?
  - iii. Have at any time been in the out-of-home care system?
  - iv. Were the subject of a DCJ ROSH report?
  - v. Were refused bail?
  - vi. Were refused bail under section 22C of the bail act?

(118) Since March 2024, how many children and young people aged 12-14 have been charged under new post and boast offences?

- (a) Of whom, how many
  - i. Are First Nations?
  - ii. Have a disability?
  - iii. Have at any time been in the out-of-home care system

- iv. Were the subject of a DCJ ROSH report?
- v. Were refused bail?
- vi. Were refused bail under section 22C of the bail act?

(119) Since March 2024, how many children and young people aged 14-16 have been charged under new post and boast offences?

- (a) Of whom, how many
  - i. Are First Nations?
  - ii. Have a disability?
  - iii. Have at any time been in the out-of-home care system
  - iv. Were the subject of a DCJ ROSH report?
  - v. Were refused bail?
  - vi. Were refused bail under section 22C of the bail act?

(120) Since March 2024, how many children and young people aged 16-18 have been charged under new post and boast offences?

- (a) Of whom, how many
  - i. Are First Nations?
  - ii. Have a disability?
  - iii. Have at any time been in the out-of-home care system
  - iv. Were the subject of a DCJ ROSH report?
  - v. Were refused bail?
  - vi. Were refused bail under section 22C of the bail act?

(121) Since March 2024, how many children and young people aged 10-12 were refused bail under section 22c of the bail act?

- (a) Of these, how many
  - i. Are First Nations?
  - ii. Have a disability?
  - iii. Have at any time been in the out-of-home care system?

- iv. Were the subject of a ROSH report?
- (b) Of these, how many were held in remand for
- i. Less than 24 hours
  - ii. 1-3 days
  - iii. 3-7 days
  - iv. More than a week
- (c) Of these, provide a breakdown of the number of bail refusals by court
- (122) Since March 2024, how many children and young people aged 12-14 were refused bail under section 22c of the bail act?
- (a) Of these, how many
- i. Are First Nations?
  - ii. Have a disability?
  - iii. Have at any time been in the out-of-home care system?
  - iv. Were the subject of a ROSH report?
- (b) Of these, how many were held in remand for
- i. Less than 24 hours
  - ii. 1-3 days
  - iii. 3-7 days
  - iv. More than a week
- (c) Of these, provide a breakdown of the number of bail refusals by court
- (123) Since March 2024, how many children and young people aged 14-16 were refused bail under section 22c of the bail act?
- (a) Of these, how many
- i. Are First Nations?
  - ii. Have a disability?
  - iii. Have at any time been in the out-of-home care system?
  - iv. Were the subject of a ROSH report?



(b) Of these, how many were held in remand for

- i. Less than 24 hours
- ii. 1-3 days
- iii. 3-7 days
- iv. More than a week

(c) Of these, provide a breakdown of the number of bail refusals by court

(124) Since March 2024, how many children and young people aged 16-18 were refused bail under section 22c of the bail act?

(a) Of these, how many

- i. Are First Nations?
- ii. Have a disability?
- iii. Have at any time been in the out-of-home care system?
- iv. Were the subject of a ROSH report?

(b) Of these, how many were held in remand for

- i. Less than 24 hours
- ii. 1-3 days
- iii. 3-7 days
- iv. More than a week

(c) Of these, provide a breakdown of the number of bail refusals by court

(125) In the 22/23, 23/24 and current financial year, how many First Nations people

(a) have been held in remand?

(b) Have served or are serving a custodial sentence?

(126) What plans does the NSW Government have, if any, for a future community use of the Balmain Courthouse?

(127) What is the status of the review of the Young Offenders Act?

(a) Will there be a public submissions process?

(b) Will there be targeted consultation?

- i. If so, with whom?
  - (c) Is it anticipated there will be draft legislation? If so when?
- (128) How many young people have been enrolled in one-on-one mentorship through Project Pathfinder?
  - (a) What, if any, positive outcomes have been observed as a result of the program?