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## **BUDGET ESTIMATES 2024-2025**

### **Supplementary questions**

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**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2024-2025**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS**

<b>Questions from Ms Abigail Boyd MLC</b>
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**Domestic and family violence counselling for prisoners**

- (1) Has the NSW Government considered trialling the use of tablets in prison cells for external therapeutic and counselling services, in the same way they are currently used for personal phone calls?
- (2) Has the NSW Government conducted any research into the benefits of external therapeutic and counselling services for domestic and family violence perpetrators in NSW prisons?
- (3) Has the NSW Government conducted any research into the benefits of external therapeutic and counselling services for victim-survivors of domestic and family violence for aiding recovery while in NSW prisons?

**Residential Tenancies legislation**

- (4) What steps is the NSW Government taking to ensure that reforms to NSW Residential Tenancies legislation are removing barriers to safety for women, children and animals who are impacted by domestic and family violence and who are seeking timely access to private rental accommodation?

**Disability Royal Commission recommendations**

- (5) Which recommendations does the Minister have partial or full responsibility for, in relation to each of the Minister's portfolios?
- (6) In relation to the NSW Government's response to recommendation 8.1, which was accepted in principle, what will the NSW Government be doing to increase the necessary supports and services available for people with disability in custody?
  - (a) How will the government be measuring implementation of any action in relation to this recommendation?
- (7) In relation to the NSW Government's response to recommendation 8.3, which was accepted in part, which aspects of this recommendation will the government be implementing?

- (a) Will the government be conducting a review of NSW's legislation, policy and procedures in relation to ensuring children with disability are not subjected to isolation practices amounting to solitary confinement?
- (8) In relation to the NSW Government's response to recommendation 8.4, which was accepted in principle, what action will the government be taking to ensure timely screening and assessment for cognitive disability remains a priority?

### **Weapons manufacture in NSW**

- (9) What role did the NSW Government have in allowing or enabling Kongsberg to establish a missile plant in Newcastle?
  - (a) What consultation was conducted with the Newcastle community ahead of approval being granted to Kongsberg?
  - (b) Have any restrictions been placed on the type or quantity of weapons that can be built at the Kongsberg facility?
- (10) What is the total value of all subsidies and grants given by the NSW Government to companies involved in weapons manufacturing?
- (11) What was the export value of all weapons, components used in manufacturing of weapons, and technology used in relation to weapons manufacture or deployment produced in NSW in the 2023-24 Financial Year?
  - (a) What was the amount in the 2022-23 FY?
  - (b) What was the amount in the 2021-21 FY?
  - (c) What was the amount in the 2020-21 FY?
  - (d) What was the amount in the 2019-20 FY?

### **Investment NSW**

- (12) Is the Innovation MOU between the NSW and Israeli Governments still in effect?
- (13) What projects have been funded under the Innovation MOU between the NSW and Israeli Governments?
- (14) What presence did the NSW government have at Land Forces 2024?
- (15) How much did the NSW Government participation in Land Forces 2024 cost?

- (16) Which companies did the NSW Government partner with, or provide support services to, at Land Forces 2024?
- (17) How many NSW Government employees attended Land Forces 2024?
- (18) What projects have been funded in the Williamstown precinct?
- (a) What is the value and nature of NSW Government contributions to these projects?
- (19) What projects have been funded in the Poplars Innovation precinct?
- (a) What is the value and nature of NSW Government contributions to these projects?
- (20) What projects have been funded in the Garden island defence precinct?
- (a) What is the value and nature of NSW Government contributions to these projects?
- (21) What projects have been funded in the Bankstown Airport precinct?
- (a) What is the value and nature of NSW Government contributions to these projects?
- (22) What projects have been funded in the Albatross Aviation Park precinct?
- (a) What is the value and nature of NSW Government contributions to these projects?
- (23) What projects have been funded in the Tech Central national Space Industry Hub?
- (a) What is the value and nature of NSW Government contributions to these projects?
- (24) What projects have been funded in the Munitions Precinct?
- (a) What is the value and nature of NSW Government contributions to these projects?

<b>Questions from Ms Cate Faehrmann MLC</b>
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## **BETTER REGULATION AND FAIR TRADING**

### **Strata**

- (25) Netstrata gave an undertaking to the NSW Commissioner for Fair Trading signed 1 May 2024, as part of an investigation into the firm. Clause 4.4 of that undertaking provides that Netstrata will have the opportunity to review a report by McGrath Nicol and “provide comments as to any further information that should not be published”.
- (a) How is it appropriate that a company under investigation for self-dealing and conflicts of interest has the opportunity to review and comment on a report about its behaviour?

- (b) When did Fair Trading receive a first draft report by McGrath Nicol?
  - (c) How many iterations of the report were received before the final report was submitted to Fair Trading?
  - (d) Did Netstrata receive the draft report?
    - i. Did Netstrata change any part of the draft report?
      - 1. What changes were made?
  - (e) Did Netstrata receive other iterations of the report?
    - i. What changes were made by Netstrata?
  - (f) When will the final report be made public?
- (26) Please outline the recruitment process to appoint John Minns as Strata Commissioner.
- (27) The Owners Corporation Network has been calling on the government to use the Law Reform Commission to manage strata reform.
- (a) Is this being considered?

<b>Questions from Ms Sue Higginson MLC</b>
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**Phone Calls**

- (28) In June 2023 engine numbers were blocked by NSW Corrections citing “security concerns”. Could you please break down these security concerns in detail?
- (a) Are these security concerns mitigated through inmate calls to mobile phones? Please explain.
- (29) Please list the vendors of the current contracts that relate to phone call software and infrastructure in NSW prison systems?
- (a) How long have each of these vendors been contracted for?
  - (b) When do their contracts end?
  - (c) What is the tender process for the upcoming phone call contract?
  - (d) Please list the value of each contract?
- (30) Please list the cost of a ten minute phone call from within each NSW Corrective Centre for the following types of calls:

- (a) Local numbers?
- (b) Landline numbers?
- (c) Interstate landline numbers?
- (d) Mobile phone numbers?
- (e) Overseas calls?

### **Tablets**

- (31) When were tablets introduced into NSW Corrections centres?
- (32) How many tablets are currently supplied to NSW Correctional facilities?
  - (a) Please break down this number by the number of devices supplied to each NSW Correctional facility? Of those, how many, broken down by each facility are currently:
    - i. Functional?
    - ii. Defunct?
    - iii. Under repair?
    - iv. Broken?
- (33) Please list the make and model of inmate tablets? (If more than one model, please list each make and model and the Correctional facility where they are housed).
- (34) Do these tablets have video capability?
  - (a) If yes, are inmates currently able to use the video function?
  - (b) If no, why not?
- (35) Please list the current vendor(s) who supply these tablets to CSNSW?
  - (a) When was this contract(s) active from?
  - (b) What is the length of this contract(s)?
  - (c) Please outline the details of the contract(s), including the cost of the program in whole dollar amounts, and as a percentage of the relevant budget?
- (36) Has access to the Australian Electoral Commission's website for enrolment to vote been reinstated on inmate tablets following an assessment of there being no security risk?

- (a) Please outline a detailed summary of the testing and development works if this is still ongoing?
  - (b) What is the forecasted timeline for the resolution of this issue?
  - (c) How many inmates current as of 14 September 2024 will be unable to vote in the local council elections of 14 September 2024 due to this issue?
  - (d) Is there any alternative voting method provided?
    - i. If not, why is postal voting not an option?
- (37) How many currently functional tablets are available to the inmates at Cooma Correctional Centre?
- (a) How many tablets does this represent per inmate?
- (38) Can inmates currently access counselling via their tablets?
- (a) If not, why?
  - (b) If not, is there a view to provide this service?
  - (c) Can this service be provided onto tablets without any change in technology?
  - (d) Can this service be provided onto tablets without any change in infrastructure?

### **Video visitation**

- (39) What is the update on video calls being available to inmates as has been previously foreshadowed? Please outline in detail.

### **Inmate release and Identification**

- (40) How many inmates are released from NSW Correctional facilities each year?
- (a) Of that number, how many inmates are released without 100 points of Identification?
- (41) What provisions is CSNSW obliged to provide to recently released inmates?

### **Deaths in custody**

- (42) How many deaths have occurred in custody to date this year?
- (a) Of those, how many were First Nations people?
  - (b) Of those, how many were held in remand?
    - i. Of those that occurred in remand, how many were First Nations people?

- (43) How many deaths have occurred in custody in the year:
- (a) 2023?
    - i. Of those, how many were First Nations people?
    - ii. Of those, how many were held in remand?
      - 1. Of those that occurred in remand, how many were First Nations people?
  - (b) 2022?
    - i. Of those, how many were First Nations people?
    - ii. Of those, how many were held in remand?
      - 1. Of those that occurred in remand, how many were First Nations people?
  - (c) 2021?
    - i. Of those, how many were First Nations people?
    - ii. Of those, how many were held in remand?
      - 1. Of those that occurred in remand, how many were First Nations people?
  - (d) 2020?
    - i. Of those, how many were First Nations people?
    - ii. Of those, how many were held in remand?
      - 1. Of those that occurred in remand, how many were First Nations people?

### **Domestic Violence**

- (44) Please list the online domestic and family violence services inmates have access to?
- (a) Are these consistent across each Correctional facility in the State? If not, please break down which programs are available and at which centre?
- (45) Do the online domestic and family violence services listed provide culturally specific services to First Nations people? Please outline.



(46) How does the Government ensure domestic and family violence victim-survivors have access to online specialist counselling? Please outline.

- (a) Within these programs, do the participants have an opportunity to interact with their partners in a safe environment?

### **Lock-ins**

(47) Please list the number of total lock-ins exceeding 23 hours to date this year across CSNSW Corrective Centers, alongside the reasons for their occurrence?

### **CSI Industries food**

(48) How long has CSI Industries Food been the vendor supplying food across CSNSW?

- (a) What is the expiration date for this contract?
- (b) What was the process of contract tender?
- (c) How many meals per year does CSI Industries food supply to inmates in NSW?
  - i. Of those meals, how much of the packaging is recyclable?
  - ii. Of those meals, how much of the packaging is made from soft plastics?

(49) Who was the vendor prior to this?

- (a) Which years was this vendor's contract active for?

(50) Are inmates with dietary and religious food requirements provided appropriate meals at no extra cost?

- (a) If no, why not? Please break down for:
  - i. Celiac?
  - ii. Vegan?
  - iii. Halal?
  - iv. Kosher?
  - v. Other?

### **Prison Labour**

(51) Who sets the wages for inmate labour in the State of NSW?

- (52) Please list each inmate job available across NSW and its associated weekly wage and hourly workload?
- (a) Compared to 2014?
  - (b) Compared to 2004?
  - (c) Compared to 1994?
  - (d) Compared to 1984?
  - (e) Compared to 1974?
  - (f) Compared to 1964?
- (53) When was the last time inmate wage-labour was increased?
- (54) How often are inmate wages reviewed and by which body?
- (55) How much do inmates currently receive as part of their weekly "yard money"?
- (a) Compared to 2014?
  - (b) Compared to 2004?
  - (c) Compared to 1994?
  - (d) Compared to 1984?
  - (e) Compared to 1974?
  - (f) Compared to 1964?

### **Astill Enquiry**

- (56) Of the 30 million dollars committed to implementing the Astill Recommendations, how much has already been spent?
- (a) Please provide a breakdown?
- (57) Will this funding be ongoing?
- (58) Is the CCTV coverage at other Correctional Centres up to date with the newly updated Dillwynia facilities?
- (a) If not, will this be urgently instated as a matter of priority?
    - i. What is the timeline for this?

- (b) Please list the centres which need reforms as per the recent CCTV updates at Dillwynia Correctional Centre?

### **Cost of incarceration**

- (59) What is the yearly cost to detain the following individuals:
  - (a) Male, minimum security classification?
  - (b) Male, maximum security classification?
  - (c) Male, remand?
  - (d) Female, minimum security classification?
  - (e) Female, maximum security classification?
  - (f) Female, remand?

<b>Questions from Hon Chris Rath MLC on behalf of the Opposition</b>
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### **BETTER REGULATION & FAIR TRADING**

#### **Consumer Protection and Disciplinary Actions**

- (60) Can the Minister provide details on the number of qualified supervisors disciplined under the Home Building Act during the financial years 22/23 and 23/24 for improper conduct?
- (61) Specifically, how many cases involved specialists in the fields of electrical wiring, refrigeration, air-conditioning, plumbing, gas fitting and LP gas fitting?
- (62) What steps is the department taking to enhance the detection and handling of improper conduct among specialists to prevent consumer harm?

#### **Disciplinary actions against Electrical Contractors**

- (63) How many electrical contractors were disciplined under the Home Building Act during FYs 22/23 and 23/24 for improper conduct related to non-compliance with their duties under the WHS Act/Regulations, particularly concerning energised electrical work?
- (64) The Queensland Office of Industrial Relations issued suspensions or cancellations to license holders in around 100 cases over approximately 15 months, many associated with serious electrical incidents, electric shocks, serious defects, significant property damage, incidents

involving young workers, and repeat offenders. How does NSW compare, and what measures are in place to address non-compliance effectively?

### **Residential Tenancy Protections**

- (65) Given the budget's emphasis on housing, what initiatives are being implemented to enhance protections for tenants, particularly regarding fair trading and dispute resolution?
- (66) How will these initiatives improve tenant rights and dispute resolution processes, and what outcomes are anticipated for tenants?

### **Fair Trading Resources and Staffing**

- (67) Given the complexity and high costs associated with motor vehicle repairs, how will the government address the shortage of Fair Trading inspectors who handle these disputes?
- (68) What measures are being taken to ensure that the number of inspectors meets the actual demand for mediation and technical expertise?
- (69) What strategies are being implemented to improve the staffing levels and remuneration for Fair Trading inspectors to ensure they can effectively manage and resolve repair disputes?

### **Regulation of Automotive Repair Sector**

- (70) What steps are being taken to strengthen the regulation of the automotive repair sector to prevent issues such as poor diagnosis and communication breakdowns?
- (71) How will these regulatory changes ensure that both consumers and industry members receive fair treatment?
- (72) How will these enhancements address current gaps and improve overall standards within the automotive repair industry?

### **Fair Trading's Impact on Consumer Protection:**

- (73) How does the government plan to improve consumer protection in the automotive repair sector, especially in light of the current staffing shortages?
- (74) What initiatives are in place to ensure that consumers have access to fair resolution processes?
- (75) How will these initiatives enhance consumer protection and what outcomes are anticipated in terms of resolving disputes and improving service quality?

- (76) When we signed with ANSA Homes, they were already classified as a "Builder of Concern" by Fair Trading, having breached over ten rectification orders. However, this information was not available to the public. Why isn't there a publicly accessible portal or information source to identify builders who have breached multiple rectification orders?
- (77) After posting a negative review of ANSA Homes, we were threatened, and work on our property was halted. We've since learned that this is a common tactic used by the management of ANSA Homes, which explains the lack of negative reviews. What measures will be put in place to prevent builders from intimidating clients?
- (78) During each stage of a build, an inspector issues a certificate to indicate compliance with relevant codes (e.g., Slab, Frame, etc.). It appears ANSA Homes did not upload these certificates on time, suggesting further issues with the build process. Why is there no system within Fair Trading to ensure that certificates are uploaded to the portal on time?

## **INDUSTRY & TRADE**

### **Defence Industry**

- (79) Regarding the Federal Government's 2024 National Defence Strategy and 2024 Integrated Investment Program, has the Minister discussed with his Federal counterparts receiving funding for NSW to go towards the defence industry for critical jobs, including scholarships and the uplifting of the defence industrial workforce?
- (a) How much of the \$81.9 million in Federal defence industry funding has the Minister secured for NSW-based enterprises?
- (80) How much of the \$166.2 million in Federal funding available to support small and medium defence industry businesses will NSW-based enterprises receive?
- (81) How much has the NSW Government allocated in the 2024/25 Budget to attract defence investment to NSW?
- (82) How many jobs are supported by the defence industry in NSW?
- (a) Where are these jobs based in NSW?
- (b) What is the total value of the defence industry to the NSW economy?

### **Space**

- (83) How much funding was in the 2024-25 Budget to support the growth of a domestic space industry sector in NSW?

- (84) Regarding the NSW Government's and NSW Space Research Network's Pilot Research Program and Student Program Fund, how much was allocated in the 2024-25 Budget for future rounds of this grant program?
- (85) In April of this year, it was reported in the media that the NSW Government was planning to review the NSW Space Industry Development Strategy. Is this the case?
- (a) When can we expect a formal announcement of the review if so?
  - (b) When will the review be completed if so?

## **INNOVATION, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

### **Women in STEM Report**

- (86) Has the NSW Government examined the Federal Government's Pathway to Diversity in STEM Review?
- (87) Noting the recommendations outlined in the final report, will the Minister consider implementing some of the recommendations on a state level, including but not limited to:
- (a) Committing to a whole-of-government, long-term strategy to increase diversity and inclusion in STEM. This includes establishing a dedicated advisory council supported by dedicated government resources?
  - (b) Working with the Federal Government to improve participation and achievement in STEM skills and subjects in schools?
  - (c) Developing a communication and outreach strategy to increase awareness, visibility and importance of diversity in STEM to emphasise the opportunities and potential for careers in STEM?
  - (d) Adopting, making public and implementing a plan to increase attraction, retention and promotion of underrepresented cohorts?
- (88) Noting that the Federal Government has axed the Women in Stem Ambassador, is this a decision the Minister agrees with?
- (a) Has the Minister expressed any concerns with Federal Minister Ed Husic regarding this decision?
  - (b) What is the NSW Government doing to promote the voices and role of Women in STEM?

### **Innovation and Productivity Council**

- (89) How much was allocated in the 2024/25 Budget for the operational expenses of the Innovation and Productivity Council?
- (90) What is the selection and appointment process of a Council Member?
- (91) How is the Chairperson appointed?
- (92) What role does the Minister have in the selection, appointment and dismissal of a Council Member?

### **Investment NSW Budget**

- (93) What is the total budget for Investment NSW in the 2024/25 Budget?
  - (a) What proportion is capital expenditure?
  - (b) What proportion is operational expenditure?
- (94) What was the total budget for Investment NSW in the 2023/24 Budget?
  - (a) What proportion was capital expenditure?
  - (b) What proportion was operational expenditure?
- (95) What is the total budget allocation for grant programs in the 2024/25 Investment NSW Budget?
- (96) How much is allocated in the 2024/25 Investment NSW Budget for:
  - (a) Minimum Viable Products Venture Program?
  - (b) Boosting Business Innovation Program?
  - (c) Fostering Innovation Sponsorship Program?
  - (d) TechVouchers?
  - (e) Jobs Plus Program?
  - (f) Tech Central Accommodation Rebate?
  - (g) Accelerator in Resident – Operator?
  - (h) Westmead Ecosystem Fund?
- (97) How many staff are currently employed at Investment NSW?
  - (a) How many are full-time?

- (b) How many are part-time?
  - (c) How many are casual?
- (98) What are the current total staff salary costs for Investment NSW?
- (99) How many senior executives are currently employed at Investment NSW?
- (100) What are the current salary costs of Investment NSW senior executives?
- (101) How many staff were employed at Investment NSW in FY 2023/24?
- (a) How many were full-time?
  - (b) How many were part-time?
  - (c) How many were casual?
- (102) What were the total staff salary costs for Investment NSW in FY 2023/24?
- (103) How many senior executives were employed at Investment NSW in FY 2023/24?
- (104) What were the total salary costs of Investment NSW senior executives in FY 2023/24?

### **Jobs First Commission**

- (105) When is the Commission set to be established?
- (106) Which Minister will the Commission report to?
- (107) Regarding the appointment of the Jobs First Commissioner:
- (a) What professional requirements and experience would you expect the Commissioner to have?
  - (b) How much will the Commissioner's salary be?
  - (c) What will be the Commissioner's primary responsibilities?
  - (d) What powers or responsibilities will the Minister have in the appointment and or dismissal of the Commissioner?
- (108) Who will form the "independent advisory board" of the Commission?
- (a) Will there be an application process?
  - (b) How many people will be on the board?
  - (c) Who will lead the board?
- (109) How will the Commission oversee the implementation and growth of local industries?



(110) What indicators will measure successes or weaknesses that will shape the Commission's priorities for job growth?

(111) How much has been budgeted for the Jobs First Commission in:

(a) 2024-25?

(b) 2025-26?

(c) 2026-27?

### **International Landing Pads**

(112) Regarding the International Landing Pads announcement on 2 September 2024:

(a) How many international businesses have utilised the International Landing Pad in NSW which opened late last year?

(b) What industries are these companies from?

(c) How much foreign investment are these Landing Pads expected to bring to the NSW economy?

(113) Noting that according to the announcement up to nine NSW companies will be given the opportunity to base themselves in Southeast Asia:

(a) How will these companies be selected?

(b) Will there be a requirement to diversify the types of NSW companies being based overseas?

(c) Are there plans to expand the number of companies beyond nine?

(d) When will this occur and how much has been budgeted for this in the 2024/24 Budget?

### **MVP Regional Applicants**

(114) What is the NSW Government doing to increase the accessibility of the MVP grants for regional and rural applicants?

(115) Will the NSW Government consider the location of the applicant as part of future MVP grant rounds criteria?

### **BUILDING**

### **Submissions from Industry Bodies**

- (116) How many submissions has the Minister received from industry bodies urging the government not to proceed with the proposed draft Building Bill 2024?
- (117) If such submissions have been received, how many specifically opposed the draft, and what were the key concerns raised by these stakeholders?

### **Impact of Industrial Action on Construction Projects:**

- (118) What steps is the government taking to address the delays and cost overruns in housing and infrastructure projects caused by the ongoing industrial action by the Electrical Trade Union (ETU)?
- (119) Has the government assessed the full economic impact of these delays on the construction sector, and what mitigation strategies are in place to support affected stakeholders?

### **Impact of CFMEU Actions on Construction Industry:**

- (120) How does the Minister plan to address the impact of the CFMEU's prolonged and disruptive industrial actions on the construction industry across NSW and Australia?

### **Ensuring Timely Completion of Projects:**

- (121) With the CFMEU's ongoing disputes affecting essential infrastructure projects, what measures will the government take to mitigate delays and ensure that critical construction projects are completed on time?

### **Protecting Public Safety and Economic Stability:**

- (122) What steps is the government taking to safeguard public safety and economic stability from the potential fallout of the CFMEU's industrial activities, which are now impacting the broader construction sector?

### **Government's Approach to Managing Union Influence:**

- (123) How does the Minister intend to manage the increasing influence and actions of the CFMEU to prevent further disruption and ensure a stable environment for the construction sector and its workers?

### **Building Standards and Consumer Protection**

(124) With the significant investment in new housing and infrastructure, how will the government ensure that all new developments meet high building standards? What measures are in place to protect consumers from defects and substandard work?

(125) What specific strategies are being implemented to monitor and enforce building quality, and how will these measures impact consumer protection?

### **Regulation of Building Practitioners**

(126) What steps are being taken to strengthen the regulation of building practitioners to prevent issues such as defective construction and ensure accountability in the building industry?

(127) How will these regulatory enhancements address existing gaps and improve overall industry standards?

## **CORRECTIONS**

### **Emu Plains Correctional Centre**

(128) Can the Minister confirm if the Emu Plains Correctional Centre Main Unit remains closed?

(a) If closed, what steps is the Minister taking to re-open the Emu Plains Correctional Centre Main Unit?

(b) Minister, can you confirm if the Main Unit is used to house male work release inmates and male inmates transitioning to work release?

i. Where are these inmates currently housed to allow work release and transition?

(c) When do you propose to open the Unit again?

(d) What are the barriers to it re-opening?

(e) Have staff been re-deployed during the closure?

(129) In the last Budget Estimates, you advised that Emu Plains had been ‘mothballed’. Can you advise of the current budget to keep the facilities of Emu Plains up to date as it is “mothballed”?

(130) How much of the current Budget is dedicated to the Mother & Children’s program?

(131) How many inmates are currently using the Emu Plains facility?

(132) What is the total budget allocated to paying the salaries of suspended officers within Corrective Services?

(133) Are the individuals seconded to fill suspended corrective services officers paid under the same salary agreements as their respective suspended officers?

(134) What are the starting dates for suspension for each of the 82 corrective services officers who are currently suspended?

### **Union membership**

(135) Are you a member of a union?

(a) If yes, what union?

### **TikTok**

(136) Are you on TikTok?

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

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

(137) 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**

(138) Are you on Signal?

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

### **CFMEU membership**

(139) 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**

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

(141) 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**

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

- (a) If yes, when?

### **Paper shredder**

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

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

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

### **Former Ministerial Employees**

(145) 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**

(146) 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**

(147) As at 30 June 2024, how many of your ministerial staff were local government councillors?

(148) What local government(s) did they serve?

### **ETU meetings**

(149) 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**

(150) 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**

(151) 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**

(152) 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**

(153) 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**

(154) How much of your ministerial budget was spent on catering in 2023-24?

(155) Was catering used for external stakeholders?

(a) If yes, who were these external stakeholders?

## **Parliamentary Secretary**

(156) Does your Parliamentary Secretary have pass access to your ministerial office?

(157) Does your Parliamentary Secretary have a desk in your ministerial office?

(158) Did any catering costs in 2023-24 include expenditure on alcohol?

## **Gin**

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

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

(160) Since 28 March 2023, have you personally driven your ministerial vehicle?

(161) 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**

(162) Does your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) draft and write speeches for you?

(163) How many public servants have undertaken writing speeches in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s)?

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

(164) 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**

(165) How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office in 2023-24 FY?

(166) What is the average salary for staff members in your ministerial office in 2023-24 FY?

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

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

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



(168) 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?

(169) How many GIPA Applications have been received by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

### **Police Commissioner Gin**

(170) Have you received gin from the Police Commissioner?

### **Cabinet Sub Committees**

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

### **E-Toll**

(172) 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**

(173) 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**

(174) Have you been the subject of any workplace complaints, including bullying, harassment, and sexual harassment since 28 March 2023?

(175) 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**

(176) Does your ministerial office keep a register of gifts and/or hospitality for staff to make disclosures?

(177) 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**

(178) Since 28 March 2023, have you breached the Ministerial Code of Conduct?

- (a) If yes, what was the breach?

### **CFMEU meetings**

(179) 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**

(180) 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?

(181) 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**

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

**Senior Executive Drivers**

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

**Mobile phones**

(184) How many mobile phones has your ministerial office been allocated as at 1 July 2024?

(185) How many mobile phones in your ministerial office have been lost or stolen since 28 March 2023?

**Efficiency dividends**

(186) 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**

(187) How much of your ministerial budget was spent on stationery in 2023-24?

(188) 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**

(189) 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)**

(190) 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**

(191) 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?

(192) Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on charter air flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?

(193) 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?

(194) 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?

(195) 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**

(196) What was the expenditure for you to join a union in:

- (a) 2022-23?
- (b) 2023-24?
- (c) 2024-25?

### **Training**

(197) 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**

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

### **Website usage**

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

(200) 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**

(201) 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?

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

(203) 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**

(204) 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**

(205) 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?