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PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO. 1 – PREMIER AND FINANCE

## **BUDGET ESTIMATES 2024-2025**

### **Supplementary questions**

Portfolio Committee No. 1 – Premier and Finance

**Aboriginal Affairs and Treaty, Gaming and Racing, Veterans, the Central Coast, Medical Research**

**(Harris)**

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## BUDGET ESTIMATES 2024-2025

### SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

#### Questions from Hon Mark Latham MLC

- (1) How much does it cost:
  - (a) GWIC and (b) Greyhound Racing NSW each year to use Barton Deakin as its lobbyist?

Isn't this a waste of money as surely these bodies don't need to pay a third party to make their views known to Members of Parliament and Ministers?
- (2) What action is the Minister taking to deal with the problem of favouritism at Racing NSW? I gave the example of Tim Martin outside the clique.
  - (a) Will the Minister now examine an example of a stable inside and favoured by the clique?
  - (b) Will he undertake to watch a replay of Race 1 at Canterbury on 13 December 2024 when the Chris Waller runner Tempestry wore bell boots (which are banned), giving it no hope, running 2nd last? Tempestry eased in the market from \$16 to \$21 while the other Waller runner Great White Shark firmed from \$1.75 to \$1.40 and won what appeared to be a 'boat race'.
  - (c) Will the Minister also examine the Racing NSW Steward's report for that race, which made no mention of the bell boots, market fluctuations or questionable riding tactics? That is, Waller off scot-free.
- (3) When will the Minister report back to the Committee on the Cooke \$1 land deal at Bathurst?
- (4) If the \$985,000 used in the property purchase was paid to Saranne Cooke from a third party, such as Racing NSW or the Bathurst Race Club, did she declare it to the ATO for taxation purposes?

#### Questions from Hon Jeremy Buckingham MLC

##### Online gambling point of consumption tax

- (5) Gambling companies must take reasonable steps to identify the physical location of the person making a bet. A NSW bet is made by a person who is located in NSW when the bet is made.

- (a) How is the physical location of a person placing a bet audited?
  - (b) Who audits records held by betting operators of the physical location of persons placing bets?
- (6) Has Liquor & Gaming NSW undertaken any compliance activities to ensure that the gambling customer's addresses are accurate.
- (a) Financial year 2020-21?
    - i. If yes, how many and how were the compliance activities implemented?
    - ii. Were any inaccurate details discovered?
    - iii. If yes, what penalties were implemented and against which betting operators?
  - (b) Financial year 2021-22?
    - i. If yes, how many and how were the compliance activities implemented?
    - ii. Were any inaccurate details of residency discovered?
    - iii. If yes, what penalties were implemented, and against which betting operators?
  - (c) Financial year 2022-23?
    - i. If yes, how many and how were the compliance activities implemented?
    - ii. Were any inaccurate details of residency discovered?
    - iii. If yes, what penalties were implemented, and against which betting operators?
  - (d) Financial year 2023-24?
    - i. If yes, how many and how were the compliance activities implemented?
    - ii. Were any inaccurate details of residency discovered?
    - iii. If yes, what penalties were implemented, and against which betting operators?

<b>Questions from Ms Cate Faehrmann MLC</b>
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### **Gaming**

- (7) In the context of the design of operations for the future state wide exclusion register, one way for a person to potentially put on that register is if the police apply to do so. The police

currently have these powers in relation to the casino. How many police-initiated exclusions have occurred in the last 3 years at the casino?

- (8) Section 37A of the Gaming Machine Act allows a club, if it is in a new development area which the Authority is satisfied “does not have the full benefit of the services and facilities of the kind provided by a club”, may open their doors with up to 150 poker machines with no community consultation required and no community benefit fee payable. What is the rationale for allowing 150 poker machines?
- (9) Recent research shows that 44% of veterans with gambling problems report suicidal ideation.
  - (a) What specific spending has the government dedicated to address this?
  - (b) Please provide a breakdown as to how this money is being spent, year on year, to which programs and what organisations or agencies.
- (10) How many poker machines in NSW are located in smoking areas?
  - (a) Where this occurs, please provide a list of venues where smoking occurs in poker machine rooms?

<b>Questions from Hon Chris Rath MLC (on behalf of the Opposition)</b>
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### **Aboriginal Affairs & Treaty**

### **Aboriginal Business and Economic Development**

- (11) What percentage of NSW Government contracts in 2023-24 were awarded to Aboriginal-owned businesses?
- (12) How many Aboriginal business roundtables have been held, and what policy changes have resulted from them?
- (13) What support exists for First Nations entrepreneurs beyond procurement targets?
- (14) Why hasn't the economic participation data for 2023-24 been published?

### **Treaty and role of Treaty Commissioners**

- (15) How will the Commissioners be held accountable to Aboriginal communities, and what role will those communities have in assessing their work?
- (16) Minister, how much of the allocated Treaty consultation funding has actually been spent?

### **Gaming & Racing**

- (17) Before the election, the government wanted all pubs and clubs with gaming machines to install facial recognition. We've had some major cyber and data breaches since that time and there's certainly a higher level of public caution about their information security. Has the Government properly considered the privacy impacts and costs of this policy?
- (18) Is it really necessary or proportionate for a country pub or regional bowlo with 5 gaming machines to spend tens of thousands of dollars to install facial recognition technology?
- (19) In 2024 the minister issued a Ministerial Direction to the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority requiring them to consider the Government's agenda when making decisions. Is it your assessment that the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority is following that Direction?
- (a) Is the Authority's approach in line with the Government's 24-hour economy agenda?
- (20) Why is the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority only focussing on harm minimisation when they consider gaming applications and not the other objects of the Act?

#### **Police-initiated exclusions**

- (21) In the context of the design of operations for the future statewide exclusion register, one way for a person to potentially put on that register is if the police apply to do so. The police currently have these powers in relation to the casino. So that we can understand the scale of the problem – and without getting into any of the operational matters around why the policy might apply for an exclusion – how many police-initiated exclusions have occurred in the last 3 years at the casino?

#### **Clubs in new development areas**

- (22) Section 37A of the Gaming Machine Act allows a club, if it is in a new development area which the Authority is satisfied "*does not have the full benefit of the services and facilities of the kind provided by a club*", the applicant club may open their doors with up to 150 poker machines – no community consultation required and, crucially, no community benefit fee payable. What is the rationale for this 150-machine largesse, when Western Australian clubs, in new development areas or older suburbs, can manage without a single poker machine, and existing clubs pay hundreds of thousands of dollars in fees for additional machines?

#### **Veterans and gambling**

- (23) Recent research shows that 44% of veterans with gambling problems report suicidal ideation. Given this alarming relationship, what specific spending has the government dedicated to address that extra, dangerous, link between veterans and gambling?

#### **Service in designated smoking areas**

- (24) How many poker machines in NSW are located in smoking areas, requiring venue staff to be exposed to passive smoking in order to serve customers?

#### **Venue-by-venue loss data**

- (25) Wesley Mission has been advocating for venue by venue loss data to be published 6 monthly as it is done in Victoria. Liquor and Gaming advise that legal advice over privacy prevents that in NSW, but has not been more specific. Wesley Mission has provided research suggesting that the privacy provisions relate to the publication of tax information, and so if no tax data is published, why can't venue by venue loss data be made available, so that MPs and councillors can more accurately determine the losses in their electorates or LGAs?

#### **Cashless Gaming**

- (26) The Casino Control Amendment Regulation 2024 that the minister made in August last year imposed regulations requiring casinos to enable patrons to set deposit limits and loss limits. They also impose time limits on how long someone can gamble in a single day or week. Do these rules apply in pubs and clubs?
- (a) If no, why not?

#### **Cashless Gaming Trial**

- (27) How many people took part in the cashless gaming trial?
- (28) What was the cost of the cashless gaming trial?
- (29) What is the timeline for the government's response to the Independent Panel for Gaming Reform's recommendations?

#### **Star Casino and the NICC**

- (30) What will be done to preserve the jobs of the Star Casino's 3,000 employees?
- (31) What is being done to monitor and enforce compliance at the Star Casino in the future?
- (a) Will the powers and scope of the NSW Independent Casino Commission be increased?

- (32) Given the Star Casino's failure to address issues of the inquiry into the Star, will the minister cancel the license of the Star?
- (33) Minister, if I want to play pokies at The Star, I have to sign up for a membership card, prove who I am, and I can only use up to \$5,000 per day in cash. But if I walk 400 metres up the road to the Pyrmont Bridge Hotel, I don't have to prove who I am, don't need to go to the trouble of getting a card and can use as much cash I want - Why are there different rules for using the same product?
- (34) Concerning the recommendations of the Bell Inquiry into The Star, Recommendation 231 stipulated that rules put in place for The Star, must be put in place for other venues because otherwise the policy objective of harm minimization is undermined. Bell also said "there are related reasons of commercial fairness." – Why have the recommendations of the Bell Inquiry not been heeded?
- (35) In the third quarter of 2024, gaming losses in clubs were up nearly 6% whilst gaming losses in pubs were up nearly 11% - in just three months. This coincided with new rules coming into place at The Star requiring customers to use cards and be subject to cash limits - Can you explain the reason behind these changes?
- (a) Isn't it a fact that the lack of regulatory parity is a key reason for Star's financial Challenges?
- (36) Last year the Australian Financial Review reported that Crown Sydney has asked your government for permission to operate gaming machines. Have you made a decision on the Crown's request?
- (a) If the request is under consideration:
- i. How will you be making that decision?
  - ii. What factors will you consider?
  - iii. And have you commissioned any research on how this proposal may exacerbate harm?

### **Gosford Racecourse & Racing for the Regions**

- (37) On the 22nd of November 2021, Gosford Racecourse received \$8 million in Racing for the Regions funding to support the construction of 200 stables. Why is it that after four years of this being announced no construction has taken place for the new stables?

- (38) Can you confirm whether Racing NSW has required Gosford Racecourse to sell parcels of land—2, 4, 8, and 10 Faunce Street, as well as 5 Blakett Street—to Racing NSW themselves to provide the site for the stables' construction?
- (39) Does this mean that Racing for the Regions funding has been used by Racing NSW to build stables owned by Racing NSW on land also owned by Racing NSW?
- (40) What agreements and provisions have been made to ensure Gosford Racecourse has access to and benefits from these facilities set to be owned by Racing NSW?
- (41) Do you think it is appropriate for Racing NSW to use taxpayer funds to force a regional race club to sell them land to build infrastructure which will be owned by Racing NSW rather than the Regional Club?
- (a) If yes, why?

## **Veterans**

### **Regional support**

- (42) When will there be a permanent, fully staffed veteran support centre in Western NSW?
- (43) Why per-capita funding for veteran support services in regional NSW significantly lower than in metropolitan areas?
- (44) Will the minister publicly commit to increasing veteran support funding for regional NSW to be proportional to the number of veterans living there?
- (45) What pressure has the minister placed on the federal government to deliver more support for regional veterans?
- (46) Given that veterans in rural and remote NSW face higher rates of PTSD, depression, and suicide risk when compared to their urban counterparts, why is there no dedicated state-funded veteran-specific mental health services west of the Great Dividing Range?

### **Parliamentary Sitting Schedule**

- (47) Was the minister consulted in the development of the 2025 Parliamentary Sitting Calendar, specifically with the scheduling of a sitting on Remembrance Day?
- (a) Did the minister raise any concerns over the inclusion of this day?
- (b) Is the minister aware of any intended compromise for the date to allow Members to attend Remembrance Day services within their electorate?
- i. If not, is this something the Minister will commit to advocating for?



## **Medical Research**

### **Translational Research**

- (48) Minister, does translational research remain a top priority for medical research in NSW?
- (a) What indicators will be monitored to ensure the goal of translational research is being achieved outside of organisations involved in the Translational Research Grant Scheme?
  - (b) Is translational research between independent research funds and public organisations a priority for the upcoming 2025-2026 budget?

### **General questions**

#### **CFMEU meetings**

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

#### **ETU meetings**

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

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

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

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

- (52) 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?
  - (c) On what page are redundancies published in the respective Department(s)/Agency(s) Annual Reports?

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

- (53) On what date were the annual report(s) from 2023-24 for each department / agency in your portfolio published?
- (54) Were the annual report(s) from 2023-24 for each department / agency in your portfolio printed?
- (a) If yes, what was the printing cost(s) for each department / agency?
- (55) Did the annual report(s) from 2023-24 for each department / agency in your portfolio use in part or full an external production / body / consultant to draft?
- (a) If yes, what was the cost(s) for each department / agency?
- (56) In what month will the 2024-25 annual report(s) for each department / agency in your portfolio be published?
- (57) Will the 2024-25 annual report(s) for the department / agency in your portfolio include a printed copy?
- (a) If yes, how much is budgeted for printing in 2024-25 for each department / agency?

#### **State Records Act**

- (58) 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?

#### **Advertising**

- (59) On what page is advertising published in the respective Department(s)/Agency(s) annual report(s)?

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

- (60) 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 website URL?

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

- (61) Does your ministerial office keep a register of gifts and/or hospitality for staff to make disclosures?
- (a) If yes, what is the website URL?

(62) 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**

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

(a) If yes, what was the breach?

### **Credit Cards**

(64) 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?

(65) Do public servants in your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) been issued with department/agency credit cards?

(a) If yes, what is the website URL of the credit card policy?

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

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

### **Senior Executive Drivers**

(67) As at 1 February 2025, how many senior executives in your portfolio department(s) / agency(s) have a driver?

### **GIPA Applications – Ministerial Office**

(68) Has your Ministerial Office received a GIPA Application(s) since 28 March 2023?

(a) If yes, how many?

(b) If yes, what is the website URL of the disclosure log?

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

(69) 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)?

### **GIPA Act – Disclosure Log Website URL**

(70) What is the website URL for the GIPA Act disclosure log each of your portfolio department(s) / agency(s)?

### **TikTok**

(71) Are you on TikTok?

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

### **Signal**

(72) Are you and/or your ministerial staff on Signal?

(a) If yes, do you and/or your ministerial staff access Signal from a NSW Government device?

(b) If yes, does Signal comply with the State Records Act?

### **Training**

(73) 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**

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

### **Parliamentary Secretary**

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

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

(77) Has your Parliamentary Secretary ever used your Ministerial Vehicle?

### **Media releases and statements**

(78) 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?

### **Overseas Travel**

(79) As Minister, do you approve overseas travel for public servants from your portfolio department(s)/agency(s)?

#### **Data Breaches**

(80) Does your portfolio department(s)/agency(s) keep a register of data breaches in accordance with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection (PPIP) Act?

(a) If yes, what is the website?

#### **Discretionary Fund**

(81) As Minister, do you have a discretionary fund?

(a) If yes, what department(s) / agency(s) administer it?

(b) If yes, what is the website URL detailing expenditure?

#### **Qantas Chairman's Lounge**

(82) Are you a member of the Qantas Chairmans Lounge?

#### **Local Government Councillors**

(83) How many of your Ministerial staff is a local government councillor(s)?

#### **Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park**

(84) In your answer in relation to funding for the Anzac Memorial in Hyde Park you said: "The envelope is currently adequate. The builders are actually funding a lot of work under the contract."

(a) What is the value of the total funding 'envelope' that has been provided for this project?

(b) Why are the builders funding a lot of the work under this contract?

(c) Will they be reimbursed?

(d) Could you explain how this contract works in relation to builder and government contributions and who pays for what specifically and how much?

#### **NSW Veterans Strategy**

(85) When did the Office of Veterans' Affairs complete the strategy & deliver it to the Minister?

#### **Anonymous Complaints Regarding Greyhound NSW**

- (86) During the hearing the Minister corrected his answer regarding complaints against the Greyhound NSW Board by saying: “For the avoidance of doubt, I received both anonymous and identified.” – Could the Minister please clarify who made the ‘identified’ complaints regarding the board?

### Questions from Ms Abigail Boyd MLC

#### Thoroughbred racing

- (87) How many thoroughbred racehorses were killed in NSW in the 2023-24 racing season during racing or race training?
- (88) Will the Minister request Racing NSW to make amendments to the Rules of Racing to specify that all injuries (not only ‘major’ fractures) that require veterinary treatment must be reported to the Stewards by nomination time for a race, trial or jump-out?
- (a) Will the Minister request Racing NSW to make amendments to the Rules of Racing to require that reporting, including treatment plans, must be made by the attending veterinarian directly?

#### US greyhound export program

- (89) Answers provided to my questions in the August Budget Estimates supplementary questions advised that in 2023-24, 428 NSW-registered greyhounds were exported to the US for rehoming as companion animals. Can you clarify the total number of NSW greyhounds that were issued with passports to the US in 2023-24?
- (a) How many NSW greyhounds were exported to the US in 2023-24? Please break this down into how many were rehomed as companion animals, working dogs, died during transportation, other?
- (90) Can you advise the date that the US greyhound export program re-commenced?
- (91) Given significant public concern regarding the program in 2024, did GWIC conduct any review of the program prior to its re-commencement to measure the program’s ongoing compliance with the NSW Greyhound Industry Animal Welfare Committee’s Best Practice Guidelines for Greyhound Rehoming Organisations.?
- (a) If not, why not?
- (92) In October 2023, GWIC conducted an audit of the program at the request of the Minister. At the time of the audit, approximately 450 greyhounds had been exported. Given that the number of greyhounds that have now been exported or enrolled to be exported has

increased significantly, will the Minister request that GWIC conduct another audit that addresses additional concerns and properly assesses compliance of the program?

- (93) How many total greyhounds have been exported through this program since it was first initiated?

### **July to September 2024 GWIC life cycle report**

- (94) In the July to September 2024 life cycle report, 4 greyhounds were euthanised because they were behaviourally unsuitable. What exactly happened with each of these 4 dogs?

(a) Can you provide details of why this determination was made in each of these cases, and who made it?

- (95) In the July to September 2024 life cycle report, of the 755 greyhound retirements 1 had a destination as "other". What happened to this greyhound, and where are they now?

### **GWIC Race Day Hydration and Hot Weather Policy**

- (96) On how many occasions has GWIC recorded a breach in this policy?

- (97) According to GWIC's policy, during warmer months (November, December, January, February, March) regular recordings must be noted in a register with the date, time and location (track/kennel). How does GWIC monitor and oversee compliance with this?

(a) Where is this recorded?

- (98) According to GWIC's policy, if the temperature in the race kennels reaches 24°C, the OTV is to inspect each greyhound after it has been removed from the race kennel and prior to competing in an event. How does GWIC monitor and oversee compliance with this?

(a) Where is this recorded?

- (99) According to GWIC's policy, if the temperature in the race kennels reaches 26°C, the steward and OTV are to consult with club officials and if the temperature cannot be reduced promptly then the upcoming events for that meeting may be abandoned or postponed at the direction of the steward in charge of the meeting. How many races have been abandoned or postponed following temperatures exceeding 26 degrees?

(a) How does GWIC monitor and oversee compliance with this?

(b) Where is this recorded?

### **Sexual violence in licenced venues**

(100) Can Liquor and Gaming please provide an update on the progress of developing new mandatory sexual violence training under the RSA course?

### **Racehorse ‘Tarsus’**

(101) In March 2021, NSW trainer Kim Waugh and jockey Serg Lisnyy were charged with 6 separate counts of alleged serious cruelty involving the registered racehorse ‘Tarsus’. This cruelty involved the excessive use of spurs during training. Tarsus was then listed as “retired”. Can you confirm where the horse ‘Tarsus’ is now, including whether this horse is still alive?

### **Harness racing**

(102) What oversight and enforcement measures are in place to protect harness horses from the practice of them being attached to the rear of a moving vehicle and dragged around the track for ‘training’?

### **Animal Welfare Committee**

(103) Does the Minister or his office ever receive updates from GWIC about the activities of the Animal Welfare Committee and whether this committee is having any impact on greyhound welfare?

### **Greyhound racing**

(104) Can GWIC or the Minister advise how many GAP NSW dogs are under the care of GRNSW participants?

(a) If this information is not held, does GWIC have the ability to request this data from GRNSW?

(105) Can GWIC or the Minister advise how many GAP NSW dogs are with GAP NSW foster carers?

(a) If this information is not held, does GWIC have the ability to request this data from GRNSW?

(106) Can GWIC or the Minister advise how many GAP NSW dogs are in GAP NSW kennels?

(a) If this information is not held, does GWIC have the ability to request this data from GRNSW?

(107) Can GWIC or the Minister advise how many GAP NSW dogs are at Hanrob kennels?



- (a) If this information is not held, does GWIC have the ability to request this data from GRNSW?
- (108) How does GWIC manage, account for or report on whether extra greyhounds appear at GRNSW participant properties?
- (109) Since GWIC's establishment, how many complaints has GWIC and GRNSW received about their handling of animal welfare matters from the public or vets or others?
  - (a) Who investigates these complaints?
  - (b) What has been the outcome of each complaint?
- (110) How many tracks in NSW do not have safety rails?
  - (a) Given that the Taree track recently suspended racing, will racing also be suspended at those tracks?
- (111) Was GWIC aware there was no safety rail at the Taree track prior to the greyhound deaths in January 2025?
- (112) In December 2024, GWIC suspended 17 GRNSW participants all of which involved matters of multiple missing greyhounds. Can you confirm what is being done to locate these missing dogs?
- (113) There continues to be widespread concerns about GRNSW participants and third party rehoming where neither GRNSW or GWIC is taking responsibility and when "rehomed" these dogs fall off the radar. Can you explain the process and how the safety and welfare of these dogs is recorded and tracked?
- (114) My office has received some concerning information about two former racing industry greyhounds who have now thankfully found safety in a NSW greyhound rescue group. One dog was almost killed after a serious injury in spite of the industry's Care2 scheme where funding for surgery and care is available and the second was a former GAP NSW greyhound with a number of serious injuries. If I provide the details to the Minister's office, will you investigate these cases?
- (115) How does GWIC validate the accuracy of eTrac data, specifically regarding the details of greyhounds?
- (116) What is GWIC's policy regarding amputation of broken legs rather than euthanasia?
  - (a) Can GWIC advise how many greyhounds underwent amputation in FY 23-24?

- (117) Can GWIC confirm the number of greyhounds injured and killed in trials in FY 23-24?
- (118) Can GWIC confirm the number of greyhounds that were scratched due to injury in FY 23-24?
- (a) How many were late scratchings?
- (119) Can GWIC confirm the details for the 1,046 greyhounds that died in FY 23-24, particularly the over 300 greyhounds that died due to injuries/accidents?
- (a) Of the 1,046 deaths, how many were self-reported by participants?
- (120) According to the GWIC steward's report for 29 January 2025, the injury sustained by greyhound Rema's Blue was given a 7 day stand down, which was later verified in the 31 January 2025 GWIC steward's report as a 28 day stand down. How many dogs in FY 23-24 had their injury categories updated following initial reporting?
- (a) How many were recorded as such in GWIC steward's reports?
- (121) How many unnamed greyhounds died in FY 23-24?
- (122) Can GWIC confirm the status of the Appin trial track and whether it will be closing?
- (123) Has GWIC investigated reports of greyhounds being physically forced into starting boxes at the Gosford track in February 2025?
- (a) If yes, what were the outcomes of GWIC's investigations?
- (b) If no, will GWIC do so now?
- (124) How many vets has GWIC reported or referred to the NSW Veterinary Practitioners Board since 2018?
- (a) How many of those were followed up with by GWIC?

### **Aboriginal Affairs**

- (125) In relation to the Minister's Aboriginal Affairs portfolio, does the Minister have any involvement whatsoever in relation to domestic and family violence, including any engagement in the development of the NSW Aboriginal Domestic, Family and Sexual Violence Plan?
- (a) If not, why not?