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NEW SOUTH WALES

Legislative Council

(SECOND SESSION OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH PARLIAMENT)

(Commencing 9 September 2014 and ending 2 March 2015)

ABSTRACT OF PETITIONS RECEIVED

All petitions received unless otherwise noted.

| Date Presented | Place of Petitioners and Signatures | Presented by | Abstract of Requests |
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| 10 September 2014 | 100 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Barham | Calling on the Government to recognise the social and economic benefits provided to the community by public libraries and increase funding of public libraries to reinstate the previous percentage level of contribution. |
| 11 September 2014 | 26 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Barham | Requesting that the House call on the Government to establish an annual Day of Recognition of Forced Adoption Practices, a public memorial to commemorate the apology to those affected by forced adoption practices and a public awareness campaign to recognise forced adoption practices. |
| 16 September 2014 | 4,627 citizens of New South Wales | Mr Wong | Calling on the House to recognise that the petitioners strongly protest the statements made in a speech by Prime Minister Tony Abbott on 8 July 2014, which disregard the feelings of the Australian Asian community and the international community, which suffered greatly as a result of the wartime atrocities committed by Japanese troops during World War II. |
| 23 October 2014 | 22 citizens of New South Wales | Mr Whan | Requesting that the New South Wales Government call on the Abbott Government to ensure households in Bungendore are not left on the wrong side of the digital divide by insisting on full implementation of Labor's NBN. |
| 4 November 2014 | 125 citizens of New South Wales | Mr Secord | Irregular Petition—Calling on the House to declare immediate moratorium on Coal Seam Gas (CSG) activities and licences on boundaries of the State electorates of Lismore, Ballina, Clarence and Tweed and to declare these areas to be CSG free and thereafter off limits to the CSG industry. |
| 4 November 2014 | 1,376 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Westwood | Requesting that the House call on the Government to maintain the current funding arrangements for the Blue Mountains Septic Pump Out Scheme and work with the Blue Mountains City Council and residents to extend the sewerage connection, including alternate onsite systems to remaining households. |
| 5 November 2014 | 104 citizens of New South Wales | Mr Shoebridge | Requesting the House to allow communities to opt out from the 10/50 clearing code of practice and become 10/50 free zones, restore environmental and heritage protections under the scheme, undertake immediate and independent review of the 10/50 code and suspend the code until the review is completed. |

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| 11 November 2014 | 137 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Barham | Calling on the New South Wales Government to recognise that suitable and affordable transport availability for people with a disability is a human right and for many people taxi transport is the only mode available, noting that Victoria doubled its equivalent taxi transport subsidy scheme to \$60 in 2008 and requesting that the taxi transport subsidy scheme's maximum cap be doubled to \$60. |
| 12 November 2014 | 1,096 citizens of New South Wales | Dr Kaye | Requesting that the House take immediate steps to replace at least 500MW of fossil fuel power with renewable energy and energy efficiency measures and introduce a timetable to close all fossil fuel power stations in New South Wales by 2030. |
| 13 November 2014 | 42 citizens of New South Wales | Dr Kaye | Requesting that the Legislative Council pass The Greens' TAFE Changes Moratorium Bill which will return TAFE fees and funding to 2010/11 levels, freeze funds to private providers, abolish Smart and Skilled and maintain TAFE as the principal provider of vocational education and training. |
| 13 November 2014 | 224 citizens of New South Wales | Dr Kaye | Requests that the House agrees to abandon plans to develop Cobbora coal mine, dumps attempts to lock New South Wales into a heavily subsidised coal future and invests any funds earmarked for Cobbora in renewable energy projects. |
| 13 November 2014 | 246 citizens of New South Wales | Dr Kaye | Requests that the House supports the establishment of an inquiry into all free-range labelling to investigate public expectations of free-range production systems, the effectiveness of current regulations in preventing misleading free-range claims and discrepancies between different free-range standards. |
| 18 November 2014 | 1,535 citizens of New South Wales | Mr Secord | Irregular petition—Calling on the House to keep the Forensic Analytical Science Service Food Testing Laboratory service in public hands and reverse the decision to close this laboratory. |
| 18 November 2014 | 126 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Barham | Calling on the New South Wales Government to recognise that suitable and affordable transport availability for people with a disability is a human right and for many people taxi transport is the only mode available, noting that Victoria doubled its equivalent taxi transport subsidy scheme to \$60 in 2008 and requesting that the taxi transport subsidy scheme's maximum cap be doubled to \$60. |
| 18 November 2014 | 119 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Westwood | Requesting that the House call on the Government to maintain the current funding arrangements for the Blue Mountains Septic Pump Out Scheme and work with the Blue Mountains City Council and residents to extend the sewerage connection, including alternate onsite systems to remaining households. |
| 19 November 2014 | 451 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Voltz | Requesting that the NSW Government restore peak hour train services on the Western Line and ensure they stop at Granville Station. |
| 20 November 2014 | 384 citizen of New South Wales | Ms Voltz | Requesting that the House request the Minister to immediately reinstate funding to women's and children's-refuges, adequately fund refuges to reduce the current turn away rate of one in every two women, release documentation relating to the Government's claim that there will be no losses to women's and children's domestic violence refuges, reinstate specialist services in the six out of fifteen districts where dedicated services are no longer available, recognise the importance of women only services, and commit to ensuring adequate funding is directed to women only services in future tendering and funding rounds. |
| 20 November 2014 | 231 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Voltz | Requesting the NSW Government immediately restore peak hour train services on the Central Coast and Newcastle line and ensure these services are restored to all Lake Macquarie stations. |
| 20 November 2014 | 28 citizens of New South Wales | Ms Barham | Calling on the New South Wales Government to recognise that suitable and affordable transport availability for people with a disability is a human right and for many people taxi transport is the only mode available, noting that Victoria doubled its equivalent taxi transport subsidy scheme to \$60 in 2008 and requesting that the taxi transport subsidy scheme's maximum cap be doubled to \$60. |

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| 20 November 2014 | 797 citizens of New South Wales | Mr Whan | Requesting that the New South Wales Government reverse its \$3 billion cuts to hospitals in New South Wales and stop the introduction of the \$7 co-payment. |

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