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Treasurer

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Treasurer

Questions from the Hon. Chris Rath MLC <i>(on behalf of the Opposition)</i>
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No tax increases

1. For the purpose of keeping your pre-election promise that the Government would not increase taxes:
 - (a) Is a fee a tax?
 - (b) Is a charge a tax?
 - (c) Is a fine a tax?
 - (d) Is an excise a tax?
 - (e) Is a toll a tax?
 - (f) Is a surcharge a tax?
 - (g) Is a duty a tax?
 - (h) Is a levy a tax?

2. Will you rule out any increases in this term of Government to:
 - (a) Fees
 - (b) Charges
 - (c) Fines
 - (d) Excises
 - (e) Tolls
 - (f) Surcharges
 - (g) Duties
 - (h) Levies
 - (i) Royalties

3. Will you rule out an increase to coal royalties in future budgets?

Inflation

4. Has any modelling been undertaken by Treasury on the impact of the 2023-24 Budget on inflation in NSW?
 - (a) Could you please provide any advice and/or modelling on the impact of the budget on inflation in NSW?
5. What impact are the public service wage increases provide for in the Budget expected to have on inflation in NSW?

Privatisation

6. Does Treasury have a working definition of privatisation?
7. Is the sale of publicly owned land to a private developer considered to be privatisation?

First Home Buyers Choice

8. How many first home buyers who chose a property tax rather than transfer duty during the operation of First Home Buyers Choice scheme:
 - (a) chose property tax?
 - i. Of these, how many related to a property valued between \$1 million and \$1.5 million?
 - (b) chose transfer duty?
 - i. Of these, how many related to a property valued between \$1 million and \$1.5 million?

Sydney CPI

9. In relation to the predictions for the increases in the Sydney CPI in Table 2.1 of Budget Paper No.1, do these predictions take into account any increase in electricity prices as a result of the increase in coal royalties?

Paramedics

10. Why did the government decide to take Australian Paramedics Association (NSW) to the Industrial Relations Commission?
11. Does the Budget include provision for wage increases beyond 4.5% for 2023-24 for paramedics, and if so:
 - (a) How much is provided?
 - (b) Where in the Budget is this recorded?
12. Has the allocation of the Essential Services Fund (ESF) for pay rises to different public sector workforces already been decided by the government?

- (a) If so, what consultation has occurred in relation to this?
 - (b) If not, on what assumptions was the \$3.6 billion calculated?
13. For paramedics who have not secured a wage increase for 2023-24, will the ESF cover an eventual Pay Rise?

Comprehensive Expenditure Review

14. Noting that according to Budget paper No.1, “the Comprehensive Expenditure Review has identified \$13 billion in budget improvement and reprioritisation measures over the five years to 2026-27”, what contribution in budget improvement is being attributed to each of these “measures being implemented following this review”:
- (a) reducing labour hire expenditure;
 - (b) reducing spending on consultants;
 - (c) cutting spending on advertising;
 - (d) reducing travel costs across government;
 - (e) reducing legal expenses;
 - (f) reducing the number of senior executives across the public sector;
 - (g) freezing levels of pay for Members of Parliament and public sector senior executives;
 - (h) agency operational, procurement and corporate efficiencies;
 - (i) reprioritisation of unallocated funds from each of these grant programs:
 - i. Restart;
 - ii. Regional Growth Funds;
 - iii. Snowy Hydro Legacy Fund;
 - iv. WestInvest;
 - v. Future Economy Fund;
 - vi. Coal Innovation Fund;
 - vii. other grant programs (please breakdown by program)?
15. Noting that this \$13 billion is, according to Budget Paper No. 1 “being directed to priority investments to support rebuilding essential services and the provision of further cost-of-living relief?” how much of the \$13 billion is being directed to pay for:
- (a) Budgeted public sector wage rises?

- (b) The Essential Services Fund?
- (c) Infrastructure, including hospitals and schools?
- (d) cost-of-living measures (please breakdown by measure)?

IPART determination re Port of Newcastle (Extinguishment of Liability) Act 2022

- 16. Given the tight and well-defined scope of IPART's task, how has seeking submissions from any interested parties, including those non-related to the original 2014 transaction, been conducted?
- 17. Further, given both the straight-forward scope and the rudimentary nature of subsequent submissions made, why was an extension of time required by IPART?
- 18. Has Treasury had contact with IPART regarding this compensation determination? That contact being confined to the scope of the task, in particular, I refer to the following in particular: "In calculating the one-off compensation payment, IPART can only consider information that would or could have been known in May 2014."
- 19. Has anyone in Treasury received directions on this matter from the Treasurer, his office, or from other Government Ministers?

Agency Invoices

- 20. How many invoices to suppliers or contactors from your portfolio agency were not paid on time since 28 March 2023, broken down by agency?
- 21. How many invoices to suppliers or contactors from your portfolio agency were paid over 30 days late on time since 28 March 2023, broken down by agency?
- 22. How many invoices to suppliers or contactors from your portfolio agency were paid over 60 days late on time since 28 March 2023, broken down by agency?
 - (a) What was the penalty for paying suppliers or contactors late, broken down by agency?

Car/Driver

- 23. Has your Ministerial car been subject to any traffic or parking fines?
 - (a) If so, please provide details of each fine?
 - (b) Who was driving the car at the time of each incident?
 - (c) Who paid any of the fines?
- 24. Has your Ministerial Car been pulled over by the police?

- (a) If so, who was driving the car?

Complaints

25. Has the Minister been the subject of any workplace complaints, including bullying, harassment, and sexual harassment?

Consultants

26. 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?

27. Have any Department/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice since 28 March 2023:

- (a) Social media?

- i. What were the cost of these services?

- (b) Photography?

- i. What were the cost of these services?

- (c) Videography?

- i. What were the cost of these services?

- (d) Acting training?

- i. What were the cost of these services?

- (e) Ergonomics?

- i. What were the cost of these services?

28. 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 to a competitive tender?

Departmental Credit Cards

29. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) How many credit cards are currently on issue for staff?

- i. 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 and what was the card holder's employment grade?
- (e) How many credit cards have been reported lost or stolen?
 - i. What was the cost to replace them?
- (f) How many credit card purchases were deemed to be illegitimate or contrary to agency policy?
 - i. What was the total value of those purchases?
 - ii. 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?
 - iii. Were all those amounts repaid?
 - iv. If no, how many were not repaid, and what was the total value thereof?
- (g) What was the largest purchase that was deemed illegitimate or contrary to agency policy and asked to be repaid, and what was the cardholder's employment grade?
 - i. What amount was repaid, in full?
 - ii. What amount was left unpaid?
- (h) Are any credit cards currently on issue connected to rewards schemes?
 - iii. Do staff receive any personal benefit as a result of those reward schemes?
- (i) Can a copy of the staff credit card policy please be provided?

Department/Agency Staffing

- 30. How many senior executive service employees were employed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:
 - (a) 28 March 2023?
 - (b) 23 October 2023?
- 31. What is the expenditure on senior executive service employees employed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?

32. How many individuals were employed as internal legal counsel by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities on:
 - (a) 28 March 2023?
 - (b) 23 October 2023?
33. What is the expenditure on internal legal counsel employees employed by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities 28 March 2023?
34. How many redundancies were processed by each Department/agency 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?
35. Is any former employee from your ministerial office now employed by any Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?
36. How many staff were dismissed from each Department/agency under your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?
 - (a) Without identifying individuals, what were the reason(s) for each dismissal?
37. What was the total amount each of the Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities spent on stationery since 28 March 2023?
38. How many employees in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities are working in an 'acting' capacity?
39. What is the average number of days worked from home by employees in each Department/Agency within your portfolio responsibilities?
40. 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?
41. Do any senior executive service employees in any of the Departments/agencies under your portfolio responsibilities have a driver that is paid for by the Department/agency?
- (a) If so, what is the number of senior executive service employees that have a driver, and which senior executive service employees have a driver?
 - (b) How much was spent on these drivers since 28 March 2023?
42. Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on charter air flights by your portfolio agencies, broken down by agency?
43. 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?
 - (b) Of these, how many flights were taken in first class?
44. Since 28 March 2023, how much has been spent on overseas 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?

Efficiency Dividends

45. Was an efficiency dividend applied to any Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities in the 2023-24 NSW Budget?
- (a) If so, what was the efficiency dividend applied to each Department/agency?
 - (b) What measures are being considered to achieve this efficiency dividend?

GIPA Applications

46. How many GIPA Applications have been received by your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?
- (a) How many of these Applications have been accepted?
 - (b) How many of these Applications have been rejected?
 - (c) If so, what were the reasons provided?
 - (d) How many of these Applications were re-assigned?
 - (e) How many of these Applications had fees waived/reduced?

- (f) Please provide in table form the following details of each Application received by your office:
 - i. Date received.
 - ii. Date acknowledged.
 - iii. Date responded.
 - iv. The description provided for the information sought.

47. How many GIPA Applications have been received by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?

- (a) How many of these Applications have been accepted?
- (b) How many of these Applications have been rejected?
 - i. If so, what were the reasons provided?
- (c) How many of these Applications were re-assigned?
- (d) How many of these Applications had fees waived/reduced?
- (e) Please provide in table form the following details of each Application received by your office:
 - i. Date received.
 - ii. Date acknowledged.
 - iii. Date responded.
 - iv. The description provided for the information sought.

Hospitality

48. How much has your ministerial office spent on hospitality, including catering and beverages, since 28 March 2023?

49. How much have Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities spent on hospitality, including catering and beverages, since 28 March 2023?

50. Have you been the recipient of any free hospitality?

- (a) What was the total value of the hospitality received?

51. 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 publicly?

- (c) Do staff declare their gifts publicly?

Labour Hire Firms

52. Have any Departments/agencies within your portfolio responsibilities utilised the services of Labour Hire Firms since 28 March 2023? If yes, please advise in table form:
- (a) The names of the firms utilised.
 - (b) The total amount paid to each firm engaged.
 - (c) The average tenure period for an employee provided by a labour hire company.
 - (d) The longest tenure for an employee provided by a labour hire company.
 - (e) The duties conducted by employees engaged through a labour hire company.
 - (f) The office locations of employees engaged through a labour hire company.
 - (g) The highest hourly or daily rate paid to an employee provided by a labour hire company.

Media and Public Relations

53. How much has your ministerial office 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) WhatsApp
 - (g) X (formerly known as Twitter)
54. 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) WhatsApp
 - (g) X (formerly known as Twitter)
55. Have you had media training or public speaking training?
- (a) If yes, who paid for it?
 - (b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount paid since 28 March 2023?
56. How many media or public relations advisers are employed for each of your portfolio agencies and what is the total cost to employ these advisers?
57. What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media or public relations advisers to be employed in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities and their total cost?
58. What is the total cost of media monitoring services used by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities?

Merchant fees

59. Please provide a list of all transactions where customers need to pay a merchant fee on credit and/or debit card payments in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities.
60. Please provide the percentage and/or amount of the merchant fees applied to all credit and/or debit card payments/transactions payments in each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities.
61. What was the total amount paid in merchant fees on credit and/or debit card payments made by each Department/agency within your portfolio responsibilities since 28 March 2023?

Ministerial disclosures

62. Did you make any updates to your Ministerial disclosure on or after 2 August 2023?
- (a) If yes, what prompted this update to your disclosure?

Office Administration

63. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS6 grade for the following months:
- (a) April
 - (b) May

- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October

64. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS5 grade for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May
- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October

65. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS4 grade for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May
- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October

66. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS3 grade for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May

- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October

67. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS2 grade for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May
- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October

68. How many staff members were employed in your ministerial office at the MS1 grade for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May
- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October

69. What is the average salary for staff members in your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?

70. How many DLOs were seconded to your ministerial office for the following months:

- (a) April
- (b) May

- (c) June
- (d) July
- (e) August
- (f) September
- (g) October

71. How many people are employed in your ministerial office as at 1 October 2023?
72. How many women are employed in your Ministerial office as at 1 October 2023?
73. How many staff employed in your ministerial office identify as culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) as at 1 October 2023?
74. How many staff employed in your ministerial office identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander as at 1 October 2023?
75. How many staff in your office are employed as media advisers or have responsibility for media/social media/communications?
76. How many staff in your office are employed as policy advisers or have responsibility for policy work?
77. How many staff in your office are employed as 'caucus liaison officers'?
 - (a) What are the responsibilities allocated to 'caucus liaison officers'?
 - (b) Have 'caucus liaison officers' been directed to only work with Government MPs?
 - (c) Do 'caucus liaison officers' contact members of the Australian Labor Party as part of their regular work duties?
78. How many staff members employed in your office under the Members of Parliament Staff Act 2013 have been seconded from a NSW Government Department/agency?
 - (a) Please list each Department/agency staff members have been seconded from.
79. What is your ministerial office budget for 2023-24?
 - (a) How much of this budget is allocated to staff?
80. How many iPhones/Smart Phones are assigned to staff in your ministerial office?
 - (a) For each phone, how much was each bill in 2022-23?
 - (b) How many phones have been lost or replaced due to damage in your office?

- i. What is the cost of replacing those phones?
81. How many iPads or tablets are assigned to your ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
 - (a) What was the cost of providing iPads or tablets to your ministerial office in 2022-23?
 - (b) How many iPads or tablets have been replaced due to lost or damage in 2022-23?
 - i. What was the cost of replacing these devices?
82. How many laptops has the Premier's Department or The Cabinet Office assigned to your ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
 - (a) What was the cost of providing laptops to your ministerial office in 2022-23?
 - (b) How many laptops have been replaced due to lost or damage in 2022-23?
 - i. What was the cost of replacing these devices?
83. Has any artwork been purchased or leased for display in your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?
 - (a) What is the cost of this?
84. Have any floral displays or indoor plants been hired or leased for display in your ministerial office since 28 March 2023?
 - (a) If so, what was the cost of these items?
85. What was the total amount your office spent on stationery since 28 March 2023?
86. What brand of paper is used in your office?
 - (a) Is it recycled paper?
 - (b) Is it Australian made paper?
87. What was the total cost of all subscriptions by you and your staff to online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals, and periodicals since 28 March 2023?
 - (a) What are these services/newspapers/magazines/journals/periodicals?
88. What was the total value of all gifts purchased for use by you and your office since 28 March 2023?
 - (a) What were the gifts purchased?
 - i. Who were they gifted to?
89. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?

- (a) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?
90. What is the total spend for your office since 28 March 2023 for:
- (a) Taxi hire?
 - (b) Ridesharing services?
 - (c) Hire car rental?
 - (d) Limousine/private car hire?
91. Were any planes or helicopters chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money since 28 March 2023?
- (a) If yes, please provide details of the trip including the date of the trip, purpose of the trip, the method of transport and the cost?

Overseas Trips

92. Have you had any overseas trips paid for using public funds since 28 March 2023?
- (a) If yes, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?
93. Have you undertaken any official overseas travel that was privately funded since 28 March 2023?
- (a) If yes, what was the nature of these trips?
 - (b) Who paid for these trips?

Parliamentary Secretary

94. Does your Parliamentary Secretary have pass access to your ministerial office?
95. Does your Parliamentary Secretary have a desk in your ministerial office?
96. Has your Parliamentary Secretary spoken on any pieces of legislation on your behalf? If so which legislation?
97. What event/meetings has your Parliamentary Secretary attended on your behalf?
- (a) Please provide in table form the date and the purpose of the event/meeting.
98. How often do you meet with your Parliamentary Secretary?
99. Has your Parliamentary Secretary travelled overseas since 28 March 2023?
- (a) If so, when, and where?
 - (b) If so, what was the cost of:

- i. Airfares?
- ii. Accommodation?
- iii. Food and beverage?
- iv. Transportation?
- v. Entertainment?

100. Has your Parliamentary Secretary travelled domestically since 28 March 2023?

- (a) If so, when, and where?
- (b) If so, what was the cost of:
 - i. Airfares?
 - ii. Accommodation?
 - iii. Food and beverage?
 - iv. Transportation?
 - v. Entertainment?

101. Has your Parliamentary Secretary received training?

- (a) If so, was it speech, voice, or media training?
 - i. If yes, who provided this training, on what date and at what cost?

Probity Auditor

102. Has your office or department used a Probity Auditor or Probity Advisors, or similar, since 28 March 2023?

- (a) If so please list the company and/or individual, the project, the engagement dates, and their total remuneration in tabular format.

Qantas

103. Are you a Member of the Qantas Chairmans Club?

- (a) Have you ever previously been a member? When did you cease to be a member?
- (b) When did you initially become a member?
- (c) When was this declared on the Ministerial gifts register?

Training

104. Have you received any training since becoming a Minister?

Treasurer

(a) If yes, please provide the details of what the training was.

105. Have you received any speech, vocal or performance training?

(a) If so, what was the cost?

(b) Was this cost covered by the taxpayer?

Website Usage

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

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

Questions from Ms Sue Higginson MLC
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108. How many full time equivalent positions are employed by and contracted by the Forestry Corporation in the financial year 2022/2023?

(a) How many of these positions are:

- i. directly involved in harvesting operations for the native hardwood division of the Forestry Corporation?
 - a. Per Local Government Area?
 - b. By forest region?
- ii. directly involved in harvesting operations for the softwood plantation division of the Forestry Corporation?
 - a. Per Local Government Area?
 - b. By forest region?
- iii. Administrative?
 - a. Per Local Government Area?
 - b. By forest region?
- iv. Research?
 - a. Per Local Government Area?
 - b. By forest region?
- v. Conservation?
 - a. Per Local Government Area?
 - b. By forest region?
- vi. Infrastructure maintenance?
 - a. Per Local Government Area?
 - b. By forest region?

109. Has Treasury undertaken statewide assessments of the jobs, other than those employed by the Forestry Corporation, associated with:

- (a) Hardwood forest logging?
 - i. How many jobs per Local Government Area?
- (b) Softwood plantation logging?
 - i. How many jobs per Local Government Area?
- (c) Nature based forest tourism?
 - i. How many jobs per Local Government Area?
- (d) Land regeneration and conservation?
 - i. How many jobs per Local Government Area?

110. Has Treasury undertaken any assessment of:

- (a) the financial costs associated with ending native forest logging?
- (b) the financial benefits associated with the end of native forest logging?
- (c) the current carbon benefit of the public native forest estate?
- (d) the potential carbon value of:
 - i. ending native forest logging?
 - ii. Regenerating native forests on public land?
- (e) land costs of expanding the plantation forest estate to replace the public native forest estate for logging?

Crown Sydney Common Terms Deed

111. Is the NSW Government in discussions with the Crown Resorts or Crown Sydney to amend or add to the common terms deed agreed by the Government and the Crown on 8 July 2014?
- (a) If not, is the NSW Government intending on entering discussions with the Crown Resorts or Crown Sydney?
112. Is the NSW Government in discussions with the Crown Resorts or Crown Sydney to make changes to the Crown's agreed contribution of at least \$1 billion in gaming revenue over the first 15 years of the casino's operation?
113. Please provide a list of 'trigger' events or 'force majeure' events under the common terms deed and clarify whether the list is exhaustive.

Business/Community Improvement Districts

114. What funds have NSW Government agencies granted to the Western Sydney Harbour Precinct, since 2019, noting this precinct is also known as New Sydney Waterfront Co?
115. Which agencies provided these funds?
- (a) What were the amounts?
- (b) What programs were these funds administered under?
116. What is the role of the Star Casino in the Western Sydney Harbour Precinct?
117. What is the role of the Star Casino in New Sydney Waterfront Co?
118. Are other organisations or businesses whose primary purpose is to promote gambling involved in Community Improvement Districts or Business Improvement Districts?
- (a) If yes, please provide details.
119. Noting the adverse findings against the Star Casino and the \$100 million fine imposed following the Independent Casino Commission Inquiry, what due diligence or other checks were conducted in relation to the Western Sydney Harbour Precinct prior to providing grant funding?
- (a) Please provide details in relation to each grant.
120. What due diligence or other checks were conducted in relation to the New Sydney Waterfront Co, prior to providing grant funding?

(a) Please provide details in relation to each grant.

121. What is the role of the Star Casino in managing the grants provided to the Western Sydney Harbour Precinct/New Sydney Waterfront Co?
122. For what activities or purposes were grants provided to the Western Sydney Harbour Precinct/New Sydney Waterfront Co?

Budget papers

123. To ensure transparency and accountability, will the NSW Treasury commit to clearly stated Budget line items in the 2024-25 Budget Papers to ensure spending on domestic and family violence prevention and response in NSW can be tracked?

(a) If not, why not?

Gambling Revenue

124. Specifically, what are the formulas and assumptions used by Treasury when forecasting gambling tax revenue, given each category of gambling tax is forecast to rise by different percentages over the forward estimates?

125. Please list how much betting revenue the state government received from the greyhound racing industry for each of the last four financial years and for each of those years please advise

(a) What were the total funds expended by the government (or other agencies/third parties on its behalf) during that period on gambling harm reduction and minimisation?

(b) What were the total funds expended by the government in that period in support of the greyhound racing industry and please detail each major type of expenditure, e.g., track infrastructure, government inquiries into the industry, breeding incentives, prize money contributions, advertising, sponsorship, etc?

(c) How much betting revenue did the state government receive from the greyhound racing industry if the total sums listed for a. and b. are subtracted?

(d) If any of the above requested data is unavailable, please explain why.

126. What is the Treasury's independent estimate of the economic value of the NSW greyhound racing industry? Please advise the method and data sources used to determine this value.

127. The 2022/23 budget indicated that the point of consumption tax would increase to 15% for online betting from 10%, has this been reversed?

128. Please explain the \$88 million dollar disparity between the racing revenue forecast in the previous budget and the actual revenue recorded for 2022-23.

129. Please explain the increasing year on year disparity between the revenue forecast in the 2022-23 Budget and that recorded in the 2023-24 Budget.