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- (1)
- (a) Are internal documents within the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water ever marked 'not for file'?
  - (b) If so, where are documents marked 'not for file' maintained and stored?
- (2)
- (a) Has there ever been a practice of department documents being marked as 'not for file'?
  - (b) If so, where have documents marked 'not for file' been maintained or stored?
- (3) If there is a practice of marking documents as 'not for file':
- (a) Are documents marked 'not for file' considered for release when requested under Freedom of Information applications?
  - (b) On what grounds would a document be marked as 'not for file'?
  - (c) Who within the department, has the authority to declare information or a document 'not for file'?
- 3804 TRANSPORT—CITY RAIL EASY ACCESS PRIORITY RANKINGS—Mr Cohen to ask the Treasurer representing the Minister for Transport, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- Please provide the current City Rail Easy Access Priority rankings for all New South Wales City Rail stations.

- 3805 HEALTH—BUNDEENA MULTI-PURPOSE EMERGENCY BUILDING—Mr Ajaka to ask the Attorney General, Minister for Industrial Relations, and Vice President of the Executive Council representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- (1) What is the current agreement between the Government and Sutherland Council concerning the building of a new multi-purpose emergency building in Bundeena that was announced by the Member for Heathcote in October 2008?
  - (2) Why has there been no progress on the development and building of this emergency facility in the last twelve months since this announcement?
  - (3) Following the Member for Heathcote's announcement to the Bundeena Ambulance Action Group that the construction of the building was budgeted for the Rural Fire Service for the 2008/09 financial year:
    - (a) Why did the Government fail to construct the multi-purpose emergency building in 2008/09?
    - (b) Was this funding redirected back into emergency services in Bundeena and the Royal National Park?
  - (4) Will the multi-purpose facility provide a 24/7 ambulance service in Bundeena?
  - (5) How will the Government fulfil its duty of care to Bundeena and Maianbar residents seeking emergency health care and aid?
- 3806 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—LOCAL COUNCILORS—Mrs Pavey to ask the Minister for Lands representing the Minister for Local Government, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health and Cancer)—
- (1)
    - (a) How many local councils in New South Wales currently have less than nine councilors?
    - (b) Which councils are they?
    - (c) How many councilors do each of these currently have?
- 3807 PREMIER—NSW FIRE BRIGADE ICAC REPORT—Mrs Pavey to ask the Attorney General, Minister for Industrial Relations, and Vice President of the Executive Council representing the Premier, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- (1) When will the report of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) investigation into corruption and travelling rorts in the New South Wales Fire Brigade be finished and made public?
  - (2) Have any retirement packages been sought from individuals investigated as part of the ICAC processes?
- 3808 HEALTH—PORT MACQUARIE BASE HOSPITAL—Mrs Pavey to ask the Attorney General, Minister for Industrial Relations, and Vice President of the Executive Council representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Health—
- How many times has an access block occurred at the Port Macquarie Base Hospital in the last six months? Please provide a breakdown of figures on a per month basis.
- 3809 EMERGENCY SERVICES—FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION ACTIVITIES - BLACKTOWN—Mrs Pavey to ask the Minister for Lands representing the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- (1) What bush fire hazard reduction activities have taken place in the Blacktown Local Government Area (LGA) in the following years? Please specify locations and dates.
    - (a) 2004?
    - (b) 2005?
    - (c) 2006?
    - (d) 2007?
    - (e) 2008?
    - (f) 2009?

- 3810 EMERGENCY SERVICES—FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION ACTIVITIES - PENRITH AND HAWKESBURY—Mrs Pavey to ask the Minister for Lands representing the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- (1) What bush fire hazard reduction activities have taken place in the Penrith and Hawkesbury Local Government Areas (LGA) in the following years? Please specify locations and dates.
    - (a) 2004?
    - (b) 2005?
    - (c) 2006?
    - (d) 2007?
    - (e) 2008?
    - (f) 2009?
- 3811 EMERGENCY SERVICES—FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION ACTIVITIES - SUTHERLAND—Mrs Pavey to ask the Minister for Lands representing the Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- (1) What bush fire hazard reduction activities have taken place in the Sutherland Local Government Area (LGA) in the following years? Please specify locations and dates.
    - (a) 2004?
    - (b) 2005?
    - (c) 2006?
    - (d) 2007?
    - (e) 2008?
    - (f) 2009?
- 3812 POLICE—SLEAZE BALL 2009—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Energy, Minister for Corrective Services, Minister for Public Sector Reform, Special Minister of State representing the Minister for Police—
- (1) Of those persons detained by police at the Sleaze Ball event, 14 were issued with court notices over drug possession. Of the 14:
    - (a) How many were found guilty at court?
    - (b) How many were found not guilty at court?
  - (2) How many penalty notices (if any) were issued?
  - (3) How many times were drugs found on a person? Please also itemise what drugs were seized.
  - (4) What was the largest quantity of drugs seized?
  - (5) Were any persons strip-searched by police at Sleaze Ball?
  - (6)
    - (a) Were police dogs in or around the medical tent area?
    - (b) If so, why?
  - (7)
    - (a) How many Sleaze Ball tickets were confiscated from persons?
    - (b) Under what law was this action taken?
  - (8) Did police supply arrest reports in a timely manner, prior to court appearances, for all those arrested and required to appear in court?
  - (9)
    - (a) Were all police officers displaying identification during the operation?
    - (b) If not, why not?
    - (c) If not, what measures have been taken to ensure police comply with the regulations regarding wearing identification?
  - (10) What was the estimated cost of the Sleaze Ball policing operation?

- (11) What was the total value of fines issued as a result of the operation?
- 3813 POLICE—NEWTOWN FESTIVAL 2009—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Energy, Minister for Corrective Services, Minister for Public Sector Reform, Special Minister of State representing the Minister for Police—
- (1) How many police officers and drug detection dogs were stationed at the top of the steps at Newtown Railway Station on 9 November 2009?
  - (2) How many police and drug detection dogs were present at the Newtown Festival area and its surrounds throughout the day?
  - (3) As a result of the use of drug detection dogs at and around Newtown Festival and the surrounding area including the Newtown Railway Station, how many incidences were there of:
    - (a) Arrest?
    - (b) Charge?
    - (c) Caution?
    - (d) False identification by drug detection dog (ie nothing found)?
  - (4) How many incidences of possession were there of:
    - (a) Marijuana?
    - (b) Cocaine?
    - (c) Other?
  - (5) What was the largest quantity of drug found on any one person?
- 3814 POLICE—DRUG DETECTION DOG OPERATIONS IN 2009—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Energy, Minister for Corrective Services, Minister for Public Sector Reform, Special Minister of State representing the Minister for Police—
- (1) What bars on King Street do police visit with drug detection dogs on Friday nights?
  - (2) What bars or clubs in the Sydney CBD do police visit with drug detection dogs on Friday nights?
  - (3) Do police use drug detection dogs regularly in 'upmarket' venues such as:
    - (a) Ivy?
    - (b) The Slip Inn?
    - (c) If yes, when was the last date on which drug detection dogs were deployed at these venues?
  - (4) Out of all drug detection dog operations from January 2009 until 10 November 2009, what percentage of positive identifications, where drugs were found on a person, were for:
    - (a) Cocaine possession?
    - (b) Marijuana possession?
    - (c) Other?
- 3815 CORRECTIVE SERVICES—LONG BAY CORRECTIONAL CENTRE—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Energy, Minister for Corrective Services, Minister for Public Sector Reform, Special Minister of State—
- (1) On 5 March 2009, I asked the Minister for Corrective Services questions about an escape from Long Bay Correctional Centre. The Minister's response was that the matter had been referred to the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) and that he was unable to comment.
    - (a) Has the ICAC investigated the incident?
    - (b) Has the ICAC reported its findings to the Minister?
    - (c) If so, will the Minister make those findings public?
    - (d) If not, why not?
- 3816 CORRECTIVE SERVICES—TRANSPORTATION OF PRISONERS—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Climate Change and the Environment, Minister for Energy, Minister for Corrective Services, Minister for Public Sector Reform, Special Minister of State—

- (1)
  - (a) Is Mannus Correctional Complex a minimum-security periodic detention centre?
  - (b) Are Mannus detainees held there for breaching community service orders?
  - (c) Are Mannus detainees employed primarily on community projects?
- (2)
  - (a) On Tuesday 25 August 2009, were three inmates transported from Silverwater Correctional Complex to Parramatta Correctional Centre, held there overnight and then transported to Bathurst Correctional Complex, held there overnight, and then transported, with six other inmates, almost 400 kilometres to the Mannus Correctional Complex?
  - (b) If so, what opportunities were provided to the inmates from Silverwater to shower or change their clothes between 25 and 27 August 2009?
- (3)
  - (a) Did the holding cell in which the prisoners were held in Bathurst awaiting transport to Mannus contain a toilet or water tap?
  - (b) If not, what access to these facilities did they have?
- (4)
  - (a) Did two of the prisoners in the holding cell inform the nurse on duty that they were on daily medication?
  - (b) If so, did the nurse provide that medication?
  - (c) If not, why not?
- (5)
  - (a) Did one of the prisoners on daily medication complain of chest pains before being strip searched?
  - (b) If so, did the strip search proceed?
  - (c) Was the prisoner subsequently examined by any medical staff in relation to the chest pain?
  - (d) If not, why not?
- (6)
  - (a) Were eight prisoners placed in the middle section of the transport vehicle?
  - (b) How many prisoners were in the other compartments of the transport vehicle?
- (7) What water, food or toilet breaks were provided to these prisoners in the course of the six-hour trip to Mannus Correctional Complex?
- (8) Did the transport vehicle stop at Cootamundra to refuel?
- (9)
  - (a) Did the prisoners ask the transport driver for water at Cootamundra?
  - (b) If so, was this request granted?
  - (c) If not, why not?
- (10)
  - (a) Did the prisoners also request that the air-conditioning system of the vehicle be turned on?
  - (b) If so, was this request granted?
  - (c) If not, what provision was made for fresh air to enter the prisoner compartments of the vehicle?
- (11) Did the prisoner who had complained of chest pains before leaving Bathurst collapse during transportation?
- (12) For how long, and how often did prisoners attempt to attract attention of the driver or people in the street concerning the condition of the prisoner in the vehicle? Did they bang on the walls of the transport vehicle, yell or call for help and assistance?
- (13) How do prisoners communicate with the driver of the transit vehicle?
- (14)
  - (a) How do Correction Services staff monitor prisoner compartments in escort vehicles when in transit?

- (b) Are prisoners monitored constantly or intermittently?
  - (c) If intermittently, how frequently?
  - (d) Can the monitor be switched off by the transport officers?
  - (e) If so, why would this be done?
  - (f) Is switching the monitor off a breach of departmental guidelines?
- (15)
- (a) On arrival at Mannus, did the escort officers refuse to release prisoners from the van until any noise or commotion had ceased?
  - (b) If so, how long after arrival at Mannus was it before all prisoners were released from the transport vehicle?
  - (c) Where were the prisoners then placed?
- (16)
- (a) Did a prisoner, who was to be detained at Mannus Correctional Complex for breach of a community service order, die during the transit?
  - (b) If so, when did it become known by Corrective Services officers that the prisoner had died?
  - (c) How long did it take for an ambulance to arrive at the scene?
  - (d) Did the prisoner remain on the ground, covered by a sheet, until detectives from Albury arrived?
- (17)
- (a) What counselling or other assistance is provided to detainees who experience such incidents while in transit?
  - (b) Are alternative arrangements made available to such detainees if they are required to undertake further transportation?
- (18)
- (a) Was the family of the deceased contacted?
  - (b) If so, when and how were they contacted?
  - (c) If not, why not?
- (19) What changes to practices, procedures and regulations have been implemented or will be implemented since 27 August 2009 to prevent transit deaths in custody?
- (20) How many deaths of prisoners in custody have occurred in transport vehicles while in transit in each year since 2000?

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