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- 4316 BUDGET PAPER 2013-14 PORT BOTANY AND PORT KEMBLA VALUE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

The Budget Paper refers to the "disposing of assets that are not part of core public service delivery and for which transaction proceeds exceed retention value to the state"(page 1-20):

(1) What is the Government's definition of "core public service"?

- (2) Can the Minister provide a list of core public services as determined by the Government?
 - (3) What calculations were made to satisfy the Government that proceeds exceed the retention value for Port Botany?
 - (4) What calculations were made to satisfy the Government that proceeds exceed the retention value for Port Kembla?
- 4317 BUDGET PAPER 2013-14 HEALTH NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP PAYMENTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- Why does Budget Paper 2 state that "Health National Partnership Payment funding ... will decline in 2013-14" (page 6-18) when Table 7.8 (page 7-17) of the same Budget Paper indicates that National Partnership Payments in Health will rise from \$422 million in 2012-2013 to \$447 million in 2013-2014?
- 4318 BUDGET PAPER 2013-14 PUBLIC SECTOR WAGE INCREASE—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- The Budget Paper notes that wage growth is expected to be 3.24% in 2013-14 and 3.5% in 2014-15 (page 2-13 Wage Price Index).
- (1) Does this mean that public sector workers, limited to a 2.5% wage increase, will go backwards in real terms over the next two years?
 - (2) Have any public sector agencies negotiated with the Government a wage increase above 2.5%?
 - (3) If so, which agencies and what is the wage increase?
- 4319 BUDGET PAPER 2013-14 NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP PLAN—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- The Budget Paper lists the Major National Partnerships Plan and Projects in Table 7.9 (pages 7-20 to 7-23):
- (1) Why does Table 7.9 (page 7-20) contain a list of \$536 million worth of National Partnership Health Projects when Table 7.8 (page 7-17) indicates that only \$447 million is available?
 - (2) Why does Table 7.9 (page 7-20) contain a list of environment projects valued at just \$4 million when table 7.8 (page 7-17) indicates that \$146 million is available?
 - (3) Why does Table 7.9 (page 7-23) contain a list of "other" projects valued at just \$102 million when table 7.8 (page 7-17) indicates that \$805 million is available?
- 4320 BUDGET PAPER 2013-14 NEWCASTLE TRANSPORT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- With regard to the Budget Paper, page 5-19, under the heading of Transport and Communication:
- (1) Why is the light rail project for Newcastle not listed in the major projects of this Budget Paper?
 - (2) On what date did Treasury become aware that the sale of the Port of Newcastle would be pursued?
 - (3) On what date did Treasury become aware that light rail transport would replace the previously announced bus interchange?
 - (4) Does Treasury have a final dollar figure for the removal of the existing heavy rail line which will be replaced by the light rail?
- 4321 GROSS STATE PRODUCT—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—
- (1) What is the Gross State Product, in dollar terms, per hour worked in New South Wales?
 - (2) Has the rate of Gross State Product growth fallen under the current NSW Government?
 - (a) If so, why?
- 4322 BUDGET PAPER 2013-14 SALE OF PUBLIC ASSETS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- The Budget Paper notes that new supply capital expenditure will be \$320 million in 2013-14, with \$227.4 million to be funded from asset sales (pages 9-19 and 9-20):
- What assets will be sold to provide this funding?
- 4323 KURRI KURRI POLICE STATION—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) How many hours were police officers rostered and scheduled to staff the Kurri Kurri Police Station

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in:

- (a) January 2013;
- (b) February 2013;
- (c) March 2013;
- (d) April 2013;
- (e) May 2013;
- (f) June 2013;
- (g) July 2013?

(2) How many hours did officers actually staff the Kurri Kurri Police Station in:

- (a) January 2013;
- (b) February 2013;
- (c) March 2013;
- (d) April 2013;
- (e) May 2013;
- (f) June 2013;
- (g) July 2013?

4324 ENERGY COMPLAINTS—Mr Clayton Barr to ask the Minister for Resources and Energy, Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Central Coast—

With regard to the further proposed sale of power generation assets in New South Wales:

- (1) Will your department still act on complaints from constituents when the companies and the Energy Water Ombudsman NSW do not meet their expectations?
- (2) Will your department still maintain its oversight control over the purchasers of these assets?
- (3) Will energy complaints be redirected to the Department of Fair Trading and be overseen by the Minister for Fair Trading, not the Minister for Resources and Energy?

4325 MARK JACKAMAN APPLICATION—Mr Nathan Rees to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice—

When will Mark Jackaman, an employee of Corrective Services, receive a response to his formal application for reasonable adjustment?

4326 DIB HANNA PROCEEDINGS—Mr Ron Hoenig to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

In relation to the proceedings before the Land and Environment Court on 19 February 2013 against Dib Hanna:

- (1) Did the Environment Protection Authority consider prosecuting Mr Hanna for acting contrary to Section 115 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997?
- (2) If so, did the Environment Protection Authority consider whether there was sufficient evidence to institute proceedings?
- (3) On what basis did the Environment Protection Authority consider that the dumping of the material by Mr Hanna in this case was not likely to harm the environment?
- (4) Was legal advice obtained from either counsel or a solicitor as to the prospects of success of any prosecution?

4327 MENTAL HEALTH TRIBUNAL—Mr Jamie Parker to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

- (1) How many involuntary patients have been approved for sterilisation by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal so far in 2013?
- (2) How many involuntary patients were approved for sterilisation by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2012?
- (3) How many involuntary patients were approved for sterilisation by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2011?
- (4) How many involuntary patients were approved for sterilisation by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2010?
- (5) How many involuntary patients were approved for sterilisation by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2009?
- (6) How many involuntary patients were approved for sterilisation by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2008?
- (7) Is there a register in every NSW hospital to record physical, manual or mechanical restraint?

- (a) If yes, why is there no reporting of physical, manual or mechanical restraint?
 - (b) If yes, where is this information available?
 - (8) Why are hospitals required to report seclusion?
 - (9) Why aren't hospitals required to report restraint?
 - (10) How many terminations have been approved by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal so far in 2013?
 - (11) How many terminations were approved by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2012?
 - (12) How many terminations were approved by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2011?
 - (13) How many terminations were approved by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2010?
 - (14) How many terminations were approved by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2009?
 - (15) How many terminations were approved by the NSW Mental Health Tribunal in 2008?
 - (16) Is there a process in place for the Council of Official Visitors to report to the Minister regarding involuntarily held patients?
 - (a) If yes, what is this process?
 - (b) How regularly does the Council of Official Visitors report to the Minister?
 - (c) What are the parameters for the reports made by the Council of Official Visitors to the Minister?
 - (d) Is this reporting publicly available?
 - (i) If not, can it be requested, if not, why not?
 - (17) Have there been any criminal prosecutions arising from the work of the Council of Official Visitors in New South Wales?
 - (18) How many persons under the age of 18 have been placed in psychiatric wards with adults so far in 2013?
 - (19) How many persons under the age of 18 were placed in psychiatric wards with adults in 2012?
 - (20) How many persons under the age of 18 were placed in psychiatric wards with adults in 2011?
 - (21) How many persons under the age of 18 were placed in psychiatric wards with adults in 2010?
 - (22) How many persons under the age of 18 were placed in psychiatric wards with adults in 2009?
 - (23) How many persons under the age of 18 were placed in psychiatric wards with adults in 2008?
- 4328 RED LIGHT CAMERA CUMBERLAND HIGHWAY—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- In relation to the red light speed camera at the intersection of the Horsley Drive and The Cumberland Highway, Smithfield;
- What are the road accident statistics for this intersection for the 2011-2012 period?
- 4329 RED LIGHT CAMERA HASSEL STREET—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- In relation to the red light speed camera at the intersection of the Horsley Drive and Hassel Street, Smithfield;
- What are the road accident statistics for this intersection for the 2011-2012 period?
- 4330 RED LIGHT CAMERA POLDING STREET—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- In relation to the red light speed camera at the intersection of the Horsley Drive and Polding Street, Fairfield;
- What are the road accident statistics for this intersection for the 2011-2012 period?
- 4331 CENTRAL STATION AVENUE OF HONOUR—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport—
- (1) Who approved the removal of the 'Avenue of Honour' in remembrance of the service and sacrifice of railway employees along the western wall of the concourse above platforms 24 and 25 at Central Station?
 - (2) Why was it replaced with commercial advertising?
- 4332 SPEED AND RED LIGHT CAMERAS IN FAIRFIELD—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Roads and Ports—
- (1) When was the last time the speed and red light cameras in the Fairfield Electorate were checked and maintained?
 - (2) How often are the speed and red light cameras in the Fairfield Electorate checked and maintained?

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- 4333 CABRAMATTA STREET TEAM CASE FILES—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- (1) Before its closure on 1 July 2013, how many youth case files of the Cabramatta Street Team had not been finalised?
 - (2) After the closure of the Cabramatta Street Team on 1 July 2013, what process did the Department of Families and Community Services implement to transfer the active case files to the Adolescent Response Team?
- 4334 POLICE ACADEMY WAITING LIST—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—
- (1) Is there a waiting list for applicants seeking enrolment into the NSW Police Academy?
 - (2) If so, how many applicants are on the waiting list?
 - (3) Will the NSW Police Academy increase its intake?
- 4335 RECREATIONAL FISHING LICENCE FEE—Mr Guy Zangari to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—
- (1) Did the Department undertake a consultation process regarding the fee increase to the recreational fishing licence before it was implemented?
 - (2) How extensive was the publication of the fee increase?
 - (3) How long were the changes to recreational fishing licence fees advertised prior to their implementation?
- 4336 HOME BUILDING SECURITY LEGISLATION—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- (1) Are there any overlaps between the Security Industry Act 1997 and the Home Building Act 1989 in relation to home building works undertaken for the purpose of security?
 - (a) If so, can the Minister clarify the overlaps?
- 4337 PLUMBING AND DRAINING SPECIALISTS HOTLINE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- (1) Why does the technical advice hotline for plumbing and drainage specialists only operate from 8am to 12pm Monday to Friday?
 - (2) How do plumbing and drainage specialists receive advice outside of these hours?
- 4338 TATTOO PARLOUR LICENSING LAWS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Fair Trading—
- (1) How many applications have been lodged by tattooists from the Bankstown and East Hills electorates under the Government's Tattoo Parlour Licensing laws?
 - (2) How many licenses have been issued for tattooists in the Bankstown and East Hills electorates under these law?
- 4339 WAITING TIMES FOR PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- What is the average waiting time for the resolution of maintenance issues in public housing properties in the Bankstown electorate?
- 4340 PUBLIC HOUSING MAINTENANCE FUNDING—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—
- How much funding has been allocated to maintenance in public housing properties in the Bankstown electorate for 2013-2014?
- 4341 BANKSTOWN SOUTH INFANTS SCHOOL SECURITY FENCE—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Education—
- What is the time frame for the installation of the security fence at Bankstown South Infants School?
- 4342 BINGE DRINKING CAMPAIGNS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Healthy Lifestyles, and Minister for Western New South Wales—
- In relation to the Government's public education campaigns regarding binge drinking:

Which schools and community organisations in the Bankstown electorate were given material relating to the "Know when to say when" and the "What are you doing to yourself" campaigns?

4343 BANKSTOWN SHUTTLE BUS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Transport—

- (1) What free transport provisions have been put in place to support the elderly and less able passengers who are now unable to utilise the free Bankstown Shuttle Bus?
- (2) Given the clear and pressing need for the service, will the Government reinstate the free shuttle bus in Bankstown?

4344 SYDNEY WATER COMPLAINTS—Ms Tania Mihailuk to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—

- (1) How many complaints from within the Bankstown electorate did Sydney Water receive in the 2012-2013 financial year?
- (2) Of these complaints, how many were in relation to bill estimations?

4345 LOCOMOTIVE NOISE LIMITS—Mr Robert Furolo to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

In relation to the environment protection licence issued to the Australian Rail Track Corporation for operations on the Metropolitan Rail Network, and the requirement under that licence for comprehensive noise monitoring and reporting procedures:

- (1) Since 2011, do any of the quarterly reports on noise data collected from locomotives show that the noise limits set for locomotives in the licence had been exceeded?
- (2) If so, how many times were the locomotive noise limits exceeded?
- (3) On those occasions when the noise limits were exceeded, how often did this occur in the vicinity of Paxton Avenue, Belmore?
- (4) According to the quarterly reports on actions taken to reduce noise levels, what measures have been taken since 2011 to reduce the noise levels in the 5 per cent of locomotives measured?

4346 NEW MORISSET AND TORONTO POLICE STATIONS—Mr Greg Piper to ask the Attorney General, and Minister for Justice representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Minister for the Hunter, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) When is work on the new Morisset Police Station scheduled to begin?
- (2) When is the new Morisset Police Station scheduled to be commissioned?
- (3) How many police will be stationed at Morisset once the new station is opened?
- (4) When is work on the new Toronto Police Station scheduled to begin?
- (5) When is work on the new Toronto Police Station scheduled to be completed?
- (6) How many police will be stationed at Toronto Police Station after the station upgrade is completed?

4347 SIRIUS BUILDING SOCIAL HOUSING—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Noting the response to Question 4206 and review of social housing in Millers Point, Dawes Point and The Rocks and tenants' anxiety about the future of their homes:

- (1) How is the Sirius building's future as social housing being considered as part of the current review of public housing properties in this area?
- (2) Does the Government intend to maintain the current lease with the Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority until 2030?
- (3) Does the Government intend to extend the lease for this building to continue its use as social housing?
- (4) How many units in the Sirius building are currently vacant?
- (5) How many units in the Sirius building have been vacant for more than three months?
- (6) Are Housing NSW and the Land and Housing Corporation not allocating units in this building to people waiting for social housing?
- (7) What action has been taken to address building tenants' concerns about the future of their homes?
- (8) What action will the Government take to assure Sirius tenants about the future of their homes?

4348 INNER CITY HOMELESSNESS PROGRAMS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Women—

Regarding the Camperdown Project and Platform 70 homelessness programs:

- (1) How many people have been housed through these programs?
- (2) How many places remain to be filled in these programs?

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- (3) What other programs currently provide housing options for homeless people in the inner city?
- (4) What further action will the Government take to provide homes with wrap-around support to long term homeless people?

4349 NATIONAL PARKS HORSE RIDING TRAILS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for the Environment, and Minister for Heritage—

With regard to reports that logs were sawn with a chainsaw, bush hacked and paint sprayed on granite boulders in the middle of the Burra Oulla wilderness area for horse riding trails on the Georges Pack Track of the Deua National Park:

- (1) What investigations were conducted in response to these reports?
- (2) Were any of the reported activities conducted with the permission of the National Parks and Wildlife Service?
- (3) What work has the National Parks and Wildlife Service conducted to prepare declared wilderness areas in national parks for horse riding trails?
- (4) Which national parks and wilderness areas were affected?
- (5) Has the National Parks and Wildlife Service cleared any bush to make way for horse riding trails in declared wilderness areas prior to the approval of these trials?
 - (a) If so, what are the details?
- (6) Has the National Parks and Wildlife Service approved any bush clearing or spray painting in national parks to prepare horse riding trails?
 - (a) If so, what are the details?
- (7) Did the National Parks and Wildlife Service commission an environmental impact assessment before clearing bush in declared wilderness areas?
 - (a) If so, what are the details?

4350 TABACCO SALE REGULATIONS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Health, and Minister for Medical Research—

Noting that the recent Cancer Council NSW audit of tobacco outlets identified serious failings in the Retailer Notification Scheme, high rates of regulatory breaches and non-compliance, and large numbers of unlisted tobacco outlets, particularly impulse retailers:

- (1) What evidence is there about the contribution of convenience, retail density, and distribution on smoking rates and levels of harm?
- (2) What assessment has the Government made of retail regulation of tobacco sales?
- (3) What assessment has the Government made of tobacco retail compliance capacity and effectiveness?
- (4) What options has the Government considered for improved regulations to help reduce tobacco harms?
- (5) What action has the Government taken to improve tobacco retail compliance capacity and effectiveness?
- (6) Has the Government considered the Cancer Council's call for a taskforce to conduct an evidence based review of tobacco sales regulation and policies?
- (7) What further plans does the Government have to protect people from the impact of smoking?

4351 SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Finance and Services—

- (1) What assessment has the Government made of provisions in the United Kingdom Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012 that require agencies to consider environmental and social values, in addition to economic values, in goods and services procurement?
- (2) What assessment has been made of the 2010 Public Accounts Committee Report on Environmentally Sustainable Procurement recommendations?
 - (a) What recommendations will be implemented as part of the Government's procurement reforms?
- (3) To what extent were social and environmental factors assessed as part of the NSW Procurement Board Strategic Directions Statement, given they are not mentioned in the statement?
- (4) How will the Government use procurement to support socially and environmentally sustainable goods and services, where economic value is equal?

4352 ABATTOIR ANIMAL WELFARE REQUIREMENTS—Mr Alex Greenwich to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Small Business—

- (1) How many licensed abattoirs are there in New South Wales?

- (2) Do all licensed abattoirs in New South Wales have an animal welfare officer to monitor animal wellbeing?
 - (a) If not, how many do not;
 - (b) If not, what action is being taken to ensure all licensed abattoirs have an animal welfare officer?
- (3) Have all employees in licensed abattoirs who undertake stunning, sticking and shackling operations completed a meat industry training course?
 - (a) If not, how many abattoirs have employees who have not completed a meat industry training course;
 - (b) If not, what action is being taken to ensure they will complete a meat industry training course?
- (4) Who runs the meat industry training course?
- (5) What is involved in the meat industry training course?
- (6) How many unannounced inspections of abattoirs were conducted in the last financial year?
- (7) What, if any, animal welfare breaches were reported following these inspections?
 - (a) What action was taken in response to these reports of animal welfare breaches?