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* 5148 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—SEXUAL ASSAULT—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

(1) Of the 15,000 reports of sexual assault in New South Wales each year, how many are:

- (a) Charged with an offence?
- (b) Acquitted in court?
- (c) Convicted in court?

Answer—

I am advised:

In the 2020 calendar year there were 15,580 individual incidents of sexual violence reported to the NSW Police Force.

Sexual violence offences do not only include sexual assaults, but a broad range of offences including sexual touching, indecent assault, sexual servitude, child pornography and historical sexual assault matters which have occurred when the victim was a child, but have been reported when the victim was an adult.

Of the 15,580 sexual violence incidents 3,610 charges have been laid against 1,827 offenders. Many of these incidents continue to be the subject of active investigations.

Of the 3,610 charges, 404 have resulted in a conviction and 798 instances where proceedings have been withdrawn, dismissed or a finding of not guilty made by the court. The remaining charges are currently before the court.

* 5150 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES, INDUSTRY AND TRADE—SOUTHERN AND EDEN REGIONAL FOREST AGREEMENT—Mr David Shoebridge to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Regional New South Wales, Industry and Trade—

(1) What volumes of logs in each category were produced in the Southern Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) and Eden Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) Regions in:

- (a) 2019?
- (b) 2020?

(2) What volume of logs was supplied to Allied Natural Wood Exports in 2019 and 2020 in each category:

- (a) pulp?
- (b) sawlogs?
- (c) firewood?
- (d) biomass from Southern RFA Region and Eden RFA Region?

(3) Has the Forestry Corporation supplied any logs to South Coast Timber Holdings Pty Ltd at Eden? If so, please provide details.

(4) How have Wood Supply Agreements (WSA) been adjusted after force majeure was declared in 2020?

(5) Have any WSAs been permanently modified to reflect the summer 2019-20 bushfires? If so, please provide details.

(6) Have hardwood logs from the north coast been supplied to any south coast timber processing facilities in 2020 and 2021?

- (a) If so what are the details:

- (i) volume?
- (ii) source?
- (iii) categories of logs?
- (iv) recipient mill/s?
- (b) What price has been charged to the mill/s for each category of logs?
- (c) Under which Wood Supply Agreement/s have any such deliveries from the north coast been made?
- (7) Have Forestry Corporation staff been eligible for Job Keeper payments. If so, how many and what was the total quantum?

Answer—

I request that you answer David Shoebridge MLC question in the following terms:

- (1) Figures below relate to calendar years.

(a)

Product	Southern Region (m3)	Eden Region (m3)
Poles, Girders, Veneer	1,055	138
High Quality Sawlog	77,054	15,773
Low Quality Sawlog	31,548	1,161
Pulpwood	45,742	112,460
Firewood	29,893	3,968

(b)

Product	Southern Region (m3)*	Eden Region (m3)*
Poles, Girders, Veneer	274	-
High Quality Sawlog	29,514	1,381
Low Quality Sawlog	10,902	-
Pulpwood	12,043	51,988
Firewood	16,007	856

*Note: Volumes of logs produced in calendar year 2020 include timber salvaged from post fire clean up and make safe operations in addition to harvesting operations conducted under Site Specific Operating Conditions.

(2)

Product Group	2019 (m3)	2020* (m3)
High Quality Sawlog	-	1,381
Pulpwood	156,226	63,476

Firewood	3,968	832
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*Note: Volumes of logs produced in calendar year 2020 include timber salvaged from post fire clean up and make safe operations in addition to harvesting operations conducted under Site Specific Operating Conditions.

- (3) No.
- (4) No.
- (5) No.
- (6) Not by Forestry Corporation of NSW.
- (7) No.

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* 5151 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—DEFENCE COST—The Hon. Robert Borsak to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—

- (1) What was the cost to the NSW Police Force arising from legal representation provided by the Office of General Counsel, the Crown Solicitor's Office, external barristers and solicitors, and expert witnesses, as a respondent in the gel blaster case R v Towner?
 - (a) Why was this case not published in Case Law?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) As the Office of the Department of Public Prosecutions had carriage of the matter there were no costs incurred by the NSW Police Force .
 - (a) In the NSW District Court, the presiding judge determines whether to publish a decision on Caselaw.

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5346 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—APPOINTMENT OF MALCOLM TURNBULL—The Hon. Rod Roberts to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) Was the position for Chairman of the Government's Net Zero Emissions and Clean Economy Board advertised on the Government's job board?
 - (a) If so, how many applicants were short-listed?
 - (i) How many were interviewed?
 - (b) How long did the recruitment process take in total?
- (2) What was the criteria used during the recruitment process to determine which applicant would be successful?
- (3) If the position was not advertised on the Government's job board, what was the process that led to Mr Turnbull's appointment?
- (4) Were applicants required to declare any conflicts of interest?
 - (a) How many conflicts of interest were declared by the successful applicant?

5347 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—NET ZERO CARBON 2050 STRATEGY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Minister for Energy and Environment—

- (1) By the year 2050, what impact does the Minister expect the Government's Net Zero Carbon 2050 strategy to have on:
 - (a) Average global surface temperatures?
 - (b) Australian temperatures?
 - (c) NSW temperatures?
- (2) Are there any other calculations available to the Government on the impact of its Net Zero Carbon 2050 strategy in combating global warming?
 - (a) What are the details?

5348 PLANNING AND PUBLIC SPACES—GODOLPHIN-DARLEY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—

- (1) For each of the past 10 years, when and for which coal mining applications has Godolphin-Darley:
 - (a) Lodged objections?
 - (b) Appeared at public hearings under the auspices of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) objecting to the proposal?
- (2) For each of the objections in (1) above, on which occasions did Godolphin-Darley declare its own funding source from fossil fuel extraction in oil?
- (3) Given the evidence of kidnapping, domestic violence, coercion and intimidation, is Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al-Maktoum, the owner of Godolphin-Darley, considered fit to be involved in DPIE processes?

5349 FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES AND DISABILITY SERVICES—AFFORDABLE HOUSING—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—

- (1) For each financial year since 2011, what is the total net increase and/or decrease in affordable housing, as currently defined by the Government, for each electorate in New South Wales, or Local Government Area if the electorate data is unavailable?
- (2) What policies does the New South Wales Government have to improve access to affordable housing?

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