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\* 6655 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—LUCAS HEIGHTS COMMUNITY SCHOOL - TWENTY10—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) At the Lucas Heights Community School:
- (a) Have posters and other printed materials been displayed and distributed on school grounds from the Twenty10 organisation?
    - (i) What are the details?
  - (b) Given the close involvement of Twenty10 in the Safe Schools program, have school teachers involved in the display and distribution of new material acted outside Government policy?
    - (i) If so, what action is the Minister taking?
  - (c) Does one of the Twenty10 posters read, “Some girls like other girls, Some guys like other guys, Some people like both, Some are straight, Some are not sure”?
    - (i) What ages are the students who have been exposed to this poster?
    - (ii) At what age is it appropriate for students to be exposed to the posters?

Answer—

I am advised that a student at Lucas Heights Community put up one poster relating to the Twenty 10 organisation in the high school area of the school. This was done without the knowledge of school staff, and the poster has since been removed.

\* 6656 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—KURRI KURRI HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Late last year, did the Year 8 Arts teacher at Kurri Kurri High School ask her students to study and replicate an ‘art work’ called ‘Wankerman’, a cartoon-type drawing of an ugly male figure with the words ‘mentally ill’, ‘swollen hands’, ‘permanent erection’ and ‘can’t stop wanking’ printed across the page?
- (a) Is this age appropriate material, particularly for the 13 year old girls in the class?
  - (b) Did the art teacher above tell the class the exercise with ‘Wankerman’ was for ‘inspiration’ as an example of ‘toilet humour’?
    - (i) If so, is this an appropriate form of education in a government school?
  - (c) How many girls in the class refused to participate in the lesson?
    - (i) Were they then marked with a ‘negative incident’ on their school record?
    - (ii) If so, what are the details?
  - (d) Did the art teacher subsequently refuse to discuss the matter with concerned parents as she was said to be too upset and unnerved by the parental reaction?
    - (i) If so, what are the details?
- (2) Will the Minister now investigate this incident and report back on what action, if any, needs to be taken at Kurri Kurri High School?

Answer—

The choice of material used in this instance in a Year 8 Visual Arts lesson in 2020 was not appropriate. The teacher was appropriately cautioned.

The matter was discussed with concerned parents.

No student received a negative referral in relation to this matter.

We have a policy in place which guides controversial issues in schools. It remains my expectation and the department's that teachers adhere to this policy, use their common sense, and use appropriate resources in the classroom, which the vast majority of teachers do every day.

\* 6657 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—CLINICAL SERVICES PLAN—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) When will the clinical services plan for the Lower Mid North Coast, developed by the Hunter New England Local Health District be completed?
  - (a) When will the clinical services plan be publically released?
- (2) For the three properties owned by the Health Administration Corporation in Forster-Tuncurry, please provide the:
  - (a) Name?
  - (b) Location?
  - (c) Date of purchase?

Answer—

(1-2) The Lower Mid North Coast Sector Clinical Service Plan has been endorsed and the Hunter New England Local Health District is in the process of arranging briefings for key stakeholders. The Plan is an internal planning document for the District.

There are three HAC owned properties in Forster-Tuncurry:

- Forster-Tuncurry Community Health Centre – 16 Breese Parade, Forster –purchased 1995
- Forster Living Skills Centre – 76 Breckenridge Street, Forster – purchased 1998
- Tuncurry Ambulance Station – 58 Manning Street, Tuncurry – purchase date unknown

\* 6658 BETTER REGULATION AND INNOVATION—PROJECT REMEDIATE—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—

- (1) As part of Project Remediate, a three year program to remove combustible cladding:
  - (a) How many applications have been received?
  - (b) How many expressions of interests were received for the program assurance managing contractor?
  - (c) How many people registered their interest for Project Remediate?
    - (i) Please provide a breakdown by month?
  - (d) When will the program assurance managing director be announced?
  - (e) How many financial providers have applied during the expressions of interest so far?
    - (i) Please provide a breakdown by month?
  - (f) How many applications for the managing contractor have been received?
    - (i) Please provide a breakdown by month?

Answer—

- (1)
  - (a) As of 8 July 2021, 91 registrations from owners corporations have been received.
  - (b) To avoid compromising procurement processes currently underway this information should not be disclosed until the procurement is finalised.
  - (c) As of 8 July 2021, 91 registrations from owners corporations have been received.

- (i) April 2021: 49; May 2021: 26; June 2021: 11; to 8 July 2021: 5
- (d) Contract negotiations with a preferred managing contractor are underway and an announcement is expected by late July 2021.
- (e) As per answer to 1(b)
  - (i) As per answer to 1(b)
- (f) As per answer to 1(b)
  - (i) As per answer to 1(b)

\* 6659 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—COMMUNITY CONNECTED SCHOOLS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) What are the salaries of the Executive Principals of each of the State's Community Connected Schools?

Answer—

The award salary rate for Executive Principal Connected Communities is \$204,697 effective from 1/1/2021.

\* 6660 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—COVID-19 VACCINE—Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—

- (1) Will the Minister rule out any vaccine passports in New South Wales?
- (2) Will people who choose not to take the vaccine be protected from discrimination in their everyday lives?

Answer—

NSW Health will be guided by a national approach in relation to vaccine issues.

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6814 WATER, PROPERTY AND HOUSING—WATER TAKE BY PUMPS WITH NON-COMPLIANT METERS—Mr Justin Field to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Water, Property and Housing—

- (1) Since 1 December 2020, how many litres of water have been taken from water sources in the Murray Darling Basin by pumps 500mm or larger that were not fully compliant with current metering rules at the time of that water take?

6815 CUSTOMER SERVICE—QR CODE COMPLIANCE RULES—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Customer Service, and Minister for Digital—

- (1) In regards to the introduction of the new QR Code compliance rules on 12 July:
  - (a) Does any government agency monitor or track the movements of citizens to see if they are complying with New South Wales Health Orders?
    - (i) What are the details?
    - (ii) Is the information available to the NSW Police?
    - (iii) Is the information available to any other NSW government agency?

6816 FINANCE AND SMALL BUSINESS—FINES UNDER 10KMH OVER THE LIMIT—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

- (1) Please provide the following information for each month since January 2019:

- (a) What is the number of speed fines issued by mobile speed cameras for offenses of speeding under 5km/h over the limit by:
  - (i) State Electorate?
  - (ii) Local Government Area?
  - (iii) Postcode?
- (b) What is the dollar value of speed fines issued by mobile speed cameras for offenses of speeding under 5km/h over the limit by:
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6817 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—FINES UNDER 10KMH OVER THE LIMIT—The Hon. Courtney Houssos 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 Transport and Roads—

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6818 CUSTOMER SERVICE—FINES UNDER 10KMH OVER THE LIMIT—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Customer Service, and Minister for Digital—

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6819 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—ENERGY ACCOUNTS PAYMENT ASSISTANCE—The Hon. Courtney Houssos 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) Of the \$30 million additional provided to boost the Energy Accounts Payment Assistance scheme last year:
  - (a) How much of the additional \$30 million was spent?
  - (b) How many people benefited from this boost?
  - (c) How much was the forecast budget for the entire Energy Accounts Payment Assistance program in the following financial years:
    - (i) 2019-20?
    - (ii) 2020-21?
  - (d) How much was spent in the entire Energy Accounts Payment Assistance program in the following financial years:
    - (i) 2019-20?
    - (ii) 2020-21?
  - (e) Under the Energy Accounts Payment Assistance program what is the average paid out per:

- (i) Person?
- (ii) Household?

6820 TREASURER—COVID SUPPORT PROGRAMS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—

- (1) Regarding the \$1,500 vouchers for small businesses to put towards government fees and charges:
  - (a) What is the total dollar amount budgeted for the program?
  - (b) How many small businesses benefited from the program?
  - (c) How many small businesses are expected to apply for the program?
  - (d) When will applications open?
  - (e) What fees and charges are eligible for this to be used on?
- (2) Regarding the \$15 million in grants for local councils to develop high streets:
  - (a) How many local councils received a grant?
  - (b) What is the average grant to local councils?
- (3) Of the \$30 million additional provided to boost the Energy Accounts Payment Assistance scheme last year:
  - (a) How much of the additional \$30 million was spent?
  - (b) How many people benefited from this boost?
  - (c) How much was the forecast budget for the entire Energy Accounts Payment Assistance program in the following financial years:
    - (i) 2019-20?
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6821 FINANCE AND SMALL BUSINESS—COVID SUPPORT PROGRAMS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business—

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    - (i) Person?
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- 6822 TREASURER—JOBS PLUS PROGRAM—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—
- (1) Of the 25,000 jobs to be created through the Jobs Plus Program, how many are forecast to be:
    - (a) "Created"?
    - (b) "Supported"?
  - (2) Of the 25,000 jobs to be created through the Jobs Plus Program, how many have already been:
    - (a) "Created"?
    - (b) "Supported"?
- 6823 CUSTOMER SERVICE—COVID SUPPORT PROGRAMS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Customer Service, and Minister for Digital—
- (1) Regarding the \$1,500 vouchers for small businesses to put towards government fees and charges:
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- 6824 JOBS, INVESTMENT, TOURISM AND WESTERN SYDNEY—JOBS PLUS PROGRAM—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney—
- (1) Of the 25,000 jobs to be created through the Jobs Plus Program, how many are forecast to be:
    - (a) "Created"?
    - (b) "Supported"?
  - (2) Of the 25,000 jobs to be created through the Jobs Plus Program, how many have already been:
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- 6825 PLANNING AND PUBLIC SPACES—HIGH STREETS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces—
- (1) Regarding the \$15 million in grants for local councils to develop high streets:
    - (a) How many local councils received a grant?
    - (b) What is the average grant to local councils?
- 6826 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—COVID-19 TESTING—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) For every month since February 2020, please provide the following details:
    - (a) The average wait time for COVID-19 testing results between test occurring and the patient receiving the result?
      - (i) Please provide a break down by Local Health District?
    - (b) The number of lost tests?
      - (i) Please provide a break down by Local Health District?
- 6827 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—ROADS AND TRANSPORT CAPITAL SPEND—The Hon. Courtney Houssos 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 Transport and Roads—
- (1) Please provide the disaggregated “public transport and roads” capital or infrastructure actual total dollar spent figure for the following financial years:
    - (a) 2011-12, separated into:
      - (i) Public transport?
      - (ii) Roads?

- (b) 2012-13, separated into:
  - (i) Public transport?
  - (ii) Roads?
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6828 TREASURER—ROADS AND TRANSPORT CAPITAL SPEND—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Treasurer—

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