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\* 6942 PREMIER—BUSINESS INTERESTS OF GREENSILL CAPITAL—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 Premier—

(1) Further to the Premier's answer to Question 6602, please provide information regarding contact by the Premier or her office with the following people concerning the business interests of Greensill Capital:

(a) Julie Bishop via:

- (i) Emails?
- (ii) Letters?
- (iii) Text messages?
- (iv) Other electronic communications?

(b) David Cameron via:

- (i) Emails?
- (ii) Letters?
- (iii) Text messages?
- (iv) Other electronic communications?

(c) Lex Greensill via:

- (i) Emails?
- (ii) Letters?
- (iii) Text messages?
- (iv) Other electronic communications?

(2) What did the contact and representations outlined in Question (1) involve?

Answer—

I have nothing further to add to my previous answer.

\* 6943 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—BUSINESS INTERESTS OF GREENSILL CAPITAL—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) Further to the Minister's answer to Question 6604, please provide information regarding contact by the Minister or his office with the following people concerning the business interests of Greensill Capital:

(a) Julie Bishop via:

- (i) Emails?
- (ii) Letters?
- (iii) Text messages?
- (iv) Other electronic communications?

(b) David Cameron via:

- (i) Emails?
- (ii) Letters?

- (iii) Text messages?
    - (iv) Other electronic communications?
  - (c) Lex Greensill via:
    - (i) Emails?
    - (ii) Letters?
    - (iii) Text messages?
    - (iv) Other electronic communications?
- (2) What did the contact and representations outlined in Question (1) involve?

Answer—

I have nothing further to add to my previous answer.

\* 6945 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT—The Hon. Mick Veitch 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) As required under the Energy Infrastructure Investment Bill 2020, has the Minister received reports from the NSW Renewable Energy Sector Board by the following dates:
  - (a) 31 March 2021?
  - (b) 30 June 2021?
- (2) Have the reports in (1) been publicly released?
  - (a) If so, What is URL of where they have been published?
  - (b) If not, why not?
- (3) If the reports in (1) have not been published does the Minister intend to publish them?
  - (a) If so, by what date?
  - (b) If not, why not?
- (4) What were the findings and recommendations of the report of the board in (1)?
- (5) Did the NSW Renewable Energy Sector Board recommend local content minimum requirements or local content mandates for the provision of energy infrastructure in New South Wales?
- (6) Will the Minister provide a response to the Board's reports in (1)?
  - (a) If so, by what date?
- (7) Will the Minister's response to the Board's finding and recommendations be published?
  - (a) If so, on what date?
- (8) Has an Electricity Infrastructure Jobs Advocate been appointed?
  - (a) If so:
    - (i) Who was appointed?
    - (ii) When did the appointment commence?
  - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Section 7(6) of the *Electricity Infrastructure Investment Act 2020* (the Act) requires the Renewable Energy Sector Board to provide a report on the Board's activities.
  - (a) The first report was delivered by 31 March 2021 in accordance with the Act.

- (b) The second report was delivered by 30 June 2021 in accordance with the Act.
- (2) The reports have been published on the Electricity Infrastructure Roadmap website. The URL is: <https://www.energy.nsw.gov.au/government-and-regulation/electricity-infrastructure-roadmap#/renewable-energy-sector-board-and-electricity-infrastructure-jobs-advocate->
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) The report is required, under section 7(6) of the Act, to report on the Board's activities. There is no requirement to produce findings or make recommendations.
- (5) The Board is currently developing its plan. Section 8 of the Act outlines the procedure for plan approval and publication.
- (6) I wrote to the joint chairpersons of the Board on 13 July 2021 to acknowledge receipt of the reports.
- (7) I will publish the Board's plan once it is approved.
- (8) In accordance with the Act, the Jobs Advocate recruitment process is currently underway. The position was publicly advertised from 2 July 2021 to 26 July 2021.

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7179 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—SEGREGATION OF STUDENTS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Why did the Milton Public School segregate Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students in its Olympics parade last month, with the students marching under different 'national' banners of Aboriginal and Australia?
- (a) Is the Minister concerned that this segregation will encourage students to think of:
- (i) Aboriginal as a separate country that should raise its own taxes and solve its own problems?
- (ii) Each other as divided on the basis of race?
- (2) Will the Minister now instruct Milton and other government schools not to segregate their students on the basis of race?

7180 CUSTOMER SERVICE—SERVICE NSW APP DATA SAFETY—Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Customer Service, and Minister for Digital—

- (1) In 2020 more than 104 000 users of the Service NSW app had their data stolen through a cyber attack:
- (a) Will the data gathered by the COVID Safe Check-In be deleted once the lockdowns and associated public health regulations are withdrawn?
- (b) What assurances will the Minister provide users of the Service NSW app that their private details are actually safe?

7181 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES, INDUSTRY AND TRADE—LAND DISPOSAL—The Hon. Mick Veitch 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) Has the Department of Regional NSW been requested to identify land and/or property for potential disposal?
- (a) If so, has the Department commenced any process to identify land and/or property?
- (2) Has a target been set for any such disposal?
- (a) If so, what is that target for this financial year and across forward estimates?

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- (3) Can the Deputy Premier rule out the disposal of assets such as land and/or property by the Department of Regional NSW?
- (4) Can the Deputy Premier rule out the disposal of land and/or property under the control and/or ownership of the Department of Primary Industries?
- 7182 HEALTH AND MEDICAL RESEARCH—VACCINATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Mental Health, Regional Youth and Women representing the Minister for Health and Medical Research—
- (1) What vaccination records are parents required to provide for the purposes of enrolling their children in New South Wales kindergartens and schools?
- (2) What happens to children who are not vaccinated in respect of their school attendance?
- (3) Given the high rate of unvaccinated children in Byron Bay:
- (a) What are the restrictions on the enrolment of unvaccinated students?
- 7183 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—PARKLEA CORRECTIONAL CENTRE RIOT—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—
- (1) Has an independent inquiry commenced into the Parklea Correctional Centre riots that occurred on Monday, 12 July 2021?
- (a) If so, who is conducting the inquiry into the Parklea Correctional Centre riot?
- (b) What is the reporting timeline for the inquiry?
- (2) If an independent inquiry into the Parklea Correctional Centre riot that occurred on Monday, 12 July 2021 has not commenced:
- (a) Why has this not occurred?
- 7184 FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES AND DISABILITY SERVICES—COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAM - YOUTH JUSTICE CENTRES—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services—
- (1) Please advise how many Youth Justice employees have been fully vaccinated as of the 13 August 2021, broken down by:
- (a) The total number?
- (b) Each Youth Justice facility?
- (c) The percentage of the total Youth Justice workforce in New South Wales?
- (2) Please advise how many Youth Justice employees have been partially vaccinated as of the 13 August 2021, broken down by:
- (a) The total number?
- (b) Each Youth Justice facility?
- (c) The percentage of the total Youth Justice workforce in New South Wales?
- 7185 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—MOBILE SPEED CAMERAS—Reverend the Hon. Fred Nile 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) I refer to the answer provided by the Minister in answer to Question on Notice 6940 which suggests that the randomness and unpredictability of mobile speed cameras saves lives, given that we are in lockdown and road volume is drastically diminished:
- (a) What relevant evidence is the Minister basing his answer on?
- (b) Does the Minister stand by a panopticon-style approach to road safety?

7186 BETTER REGULATION AND INNOVATION—RACEHORSES—The Hon. Mark Pearson to ask the Minister for Finance and Small Business representing the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation—

- (1) How many New South Wales horses were reported as 'retired' from thoroughbred racing between August 1 2020 and July 31 2021?
  - (a) Of those reported as 'retired', what were the reasons given for their retirement?
    - (i) Please provide the number for each of these categories?
- (2) How many New South Wales horses were reported as 'deceased' from the thoroughbred racing industry between August 1 2020 and July 31 2021?
  - (a) Of those reported as 'deceased', what were the reasons given for their death?
    - (i) Please provide the numbers for each of these categories?

7187 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—EMERALD BEACH—The Hon. Mark Pearson 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) In regards to the case with Fiddaman Road at Emerald Beach:
  - (a) How is it that a nature reserve and NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) defined wildlife corridor has been allowed to be desecrated through the common use of an unofficial, ungazetted road to the extent the road and surrounds is now being considered for a significant infrastructure project?
  - (b) Can the Minister explain the responsibilities of the Department in ensuring nature reserves and wildlife corridors, such as those at Emerald Beach, are kept free from human use as far as possible?
  - (c) Please explain what efforts have been made to protect this specific area to date?
  - (d) How is it legislatively possible for infrastructure of this nature (i.e. a playground) to be built in a nature reserve, particularly when NPWS itself considers the area a wildlife corridor?
- (2) Given the current work on the Coffs Harbour Bypass (part of the Pacific Highway Upgrade):
  - (a) Was the Department contacted about the impact of this upgrade on wildlife?
    - (i) If so, what correspondence took place?
    - (ii) What infrastructure is being established to allow the free movement of native animals?

7188 COUNTER TERRORISM AND CORRECTIONS—DEATHS IN CUSTODY—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Counter Terrorism and Corrections—

- (1) Please advise how many deaths have occurred in the custody of Corrections NSW during the period of 1 January 2021 to 13 August 2021, broken down by:
  - (a) The total number?
  - (b) Each Corrections facility?
  - (c) Cause of death?

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