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* 7739 JOBS, INVESTMENT, TOURISM AND WESTERN SYDNEY—WESTERN SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT—The Hon. Peter Primrose 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 Jobs, Investment, Tourism and Western Sydney, and Minister for Industry and Trade—

- (1) Is it the case that Western Sydney International Airport is proposed to have an initial capability of processing 220,000 tonnes of cargo/ freight annually?
 - (a) If not, what is the estimated capability?
- (2) What is the estimated number of truck movements that will be required annually to move this volume of cargo/ freight?
- (3) In the absence of a freight rail line to the airport, which roads in Western Sydney are planned to have to carry the bulk of this additional cargo/ freight?
 - (a) What dates will any new roads be opened?

Answer—

This is a matter for the Minister for Transport and Roads.

* 7740 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—WESTERN SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, and Minister for Transport and Roads—

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Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes
- (2) Western Sydney Airport (WSA) has approached industry with a Request for Information and subsequent Expression of Interest to understand air cargo volumes, which will indicate freight vehicle activity.
- (3) The Northern Road will be the key access point for freight, providing landside access to a proposed WSA dedicated air cargo facility.
 - (a) The M12 was approved for construction in April this year and is planned for completion prior to the airport opening in 2026.

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7831 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—CRITICAL RACE THEORY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—

- (1) Does the Minister regard the teaching of Critical Race Theory as racist for the way in which it vilifies white-skinned people?
 - (2) Why is the Department of Education hiring on a \$162,000 pa salary an “Anti-Racism Education Advisor”?
 - (a) Will the new staff member ensure that Critical Race Theory is not taught in schools?
- 7832 ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT—PHOTOVOLTAICS SOLAR PANELS—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Special Minister of State, and Minister for the Public Service and Employee Relations, Aboriginal Affairs, and the Arts representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy and Environment—
- (1) What effect has the price pressures for key raw materials such as polysilicon, glass and silver, and shipping costs, had on the availability and price of photovoltaics (PV) solar panels in New South Wales over the last six months?
 - (2) What changes are expected in terms of availability and price in the next six months?
 - (3) What actions does the Government propose to take?
- 7833 SKILLS AND TERTIARY EDUCATION—TAFE FUNDING—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Minister for Skills and Tertiary Education—
- (1) What is the vocational education and training budget for 2021?
 - (2) How much of the vocational education and training budget is provided to TAFE NSW?
 - (3) How much of the vocational education and training budget is provided to private providers?
- 7834 SPORT, MULTICULTURALISM, SENIORS AND VETERANS—GREATER CITIES SPORT FACILITY FUND—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans—
- (1) How many applications were received from groups within the Newcastle local government area for the Greater Cities Sport Facility Fund 2020/21?
 - (a) What was the value of these applications?
 - (b) Which sporting codes submitted applications?
 - (2) How many applications were received from groups within the Newcastle local government area for the Greater Cities Sport Facility Fund 2021/22?
 - (a) What was the value of these applications?
 - (b) Which sporting codes submitted applications?
- 7835 TRANSPORT AND ROADS—SYDNEYS TOXIC SLUDGE BEING DUMPED IN NEWCASTLE—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning representing the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, and Minister for Transport and Roads—
- (1) Why was the Newcastle community not consulted about the Liberal and National Government’s plan to dump 12,000 cubic metres of toxic sludge in Newcastle?
 - (2) Why were community leaders not consulted about this plan?
 - (3) What consultation was undertaken in the Hunter?
 - (4) Will the Minister intervene and cancel the plan to dump this toxic waste in Newcastle?
- 7836 EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING—COVID CLOSURE OF SCHOOLS—The Hon. Anthony D'Adam to ask the Minister for Education and Early Childhood Learning—
- (1) How many Government schools have had an identified positive COVID-19 case since the staged return to face to face learning commenced on 18 October 2021?
 - (a) For each affected school:

- (i) Please provide the name of the school?
 - (ii) The number of days it remained closed?
 - (2) How many Government schools have been closed as a result of the identification of a positive COVID-19 case since the staged return to face to face learning commenced on 18 October 2021?
 - (a) For each affected school:
 - (i) Please provide the name of the school?
 - (ii) The number of days it remained closed?
- 7837 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—FIRE PREPARATION IN GOOGONG—The Hon. Tara Moriarty to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) What are the current coverage arrangements for fire in the Googong township in Queanbeyan?
 - (2) If there is a house fire in Googong, what brigade has first responder responsibility for the area?
 - (a) Does the Government have any plans to change these arrangements?
- 7838 PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE—FORFEITURE OF BAIL SECURITY—The Hon. Rod Roberts to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Attorney General, and Minister for Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—
- (1) There have been significant failures in relation to the granting of bail in New South Wales. Offenders continue to commit offences, interfere with victims and witnesses and fail to appear whilst on bail. The result leaves the safety of the New South Wales public at risk and questioning the justice system:
 - (a) In the past three years:
 - (i) On how many occasions has bail been granted with a condition that included a security to be deposited or agreed to be forfeited?
 - (ii) On how many occasions have those bail undertakings been breached?
 - (iii) On how many occasions have proceedings been undertaken for forfeiture of those securities?
- 7839 POLICE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES—NSW POLICE CIVIL PAYMENTS—The Hon. Rod Roberts to ask the Minister for Sport, Multiculturalism, Seniors and Veterans representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services—
- (1) What is the total monetary value of civil litigation payments made by the New South Police Service for the following financial years:
 - (a) 2020 – 2021?
 - (b) 2019 – 2020?
 - (c) 2018 – 2019?
 - (d) 2017 – 2018?
 - (e) 2016 -2017?
 - (2) How many separate incidents are included in the above mentioned payments for the following financial years:
 - (a) 2020 – 2021?
 - (b) 2019 – 2020?
 - (c) 2018 – 2019?
 - (d) 2017 – 2018?

- (e) 2016 -2017?
- (3) In general terms what are the basic categories for which these payments are made?(for example – unlawful or inappropriate strip searches)
- (a) What are the titles of those general basic categories?
 - (b) What payments were made to each category for the following financial years:
 - (i) 2020 – 2021?
 - (ii) 2019 – 2020?
 - (iii) 2018 – 2019?
 - (iv) 2017 – 2018?
 - (v) 2016 -2017?
 - (c) How many incidents fell into each category for the following financial years:
 - (i) 2020 – 2021?
 - (ii) 2019 – 2020?
 - (iii) 2018 – 2019?
 - (iv) 2017 – 2018?
 - (v) 2016 -2017?
- (4) What was the total cost to the New South Wales Police for legal representations in relation to these matters for the following financial years:
- (a) 2020 – 2021?
 - (b) 2019 – 2020?
 - (c) 2018 – 2019?
 - (d) 2017 – 2018?
 - (e) 2016 -2017?

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