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* 8031 FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES—MAITLAND ELECTORATE—The Hon. Rose Jackson to ask the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services—

- (1) How many Work, Health and Safety accidents have occurred on properties in New South Wales managed by social housing providers since 1 January 2021?
 - (a) How many occurred in the Maitland electorate?
 - (i) Were they reported to SafeWork, and if so, how many?
 - (ii) How many were social housing tenants?
 - (iii) How many were trades people?
- (2) How many unfinished trade jobs exist for social housing properties in New South Wales as at 17 December 2021?
 - (a) How many are located in the Maitland electorate?
 - (i) How long have they been unfinished for?
 - (ii) Why were the jobs unfinished?
 - (iii) When will they be finished?

Answer—

I am advised:

This question should be directed to the Minister for Homes, the Hon Anthony Roberts MP.

* 8032 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES—HARVEST LEAVE—The Hon. Mick Veitch to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) As at 24 December 2021, how many applications for Harvest Leave have been submitted by employees of the Department of Regional NSW?
- (2) How much leave has been applied for in terms of hours taken in Harvest Leave?
- (3) What is the total cost of the leave program to date?
- (4) Can the Minister please provide a breakdown of leave applications in terms of:
 - (a) Grades 1 to 12?
 - (b) State Emergency Service bands 1 to 3?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 24 December 2021:

- (1) A total of 28 employees have applied for and been granted Harvest Leave.
- (2) A total of 980.8 hours have been taken.
- (3) \$53,104.53 (calculated hourly rate from annual salary x Harvest Leave hours).
- (4)
 - (a) Clerk General Scale – 2
Clerk GR 1/ 2 - 2
Clerk GR 3/ 4 - 4
Clerk GR 5/6 - 7

Clerk GR 7/8 – 8

Clerk GR 9/10 - 3

Above GR 11/12 non-SE – 2

(b) State Executive Service bands 1 to 3 - 0

* 8033 ENTERPRISE, INVESTMENT AND TRADE—STONE AXE PASTORAL COMPANY AND AUSTRALIA'S OYSTER COAST—The Hon. Mick Veitch to ask the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services representing the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) What is the current status of the New South Wales Government's investments in Stone Axe Pastoral Company and Australia's Oyster Coast?
- (2) Has the Government received a return on these investments?
 - (a) If so, how much?
- (3) Has the New South Wales Government divested itself of any of these investments?
 - (a) If so, when did the divestments occur?

Answer—

I am advised that:

- (1) The NSW Government exited the GO NSW Equity Fund on 4 May 2020. It does not hold any investments in Stone Axe Pastoral Company and Australia's Oyster Coast.
- (2) Yes.
- (3) Upon exiting the GO NSW Equity Fund, the NSW Government realised a net profit of more than \$900,000.
- (4) Yes. The NSW Government exited the GO NSW Equity Fund on 4 May 2020, thereby divesting itself of both investments.

* 8034 CORRECTIONS—REINVEST—Ms Abigail Boyd to ask the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services representing the Minister for Corrections—

- (1) Has Community Corrections been asked to identify participants for the ReINVEST trial?
 - (a) If so, by what means have such participants been identified, and on the basis of what criteria?
 - (b) If so, how many participants has it identified, broken down per month for the duration in which such identification has occurred?
- (2) Has Community Corrections or the Department advertised or otherwise provided unsolicited information to the public in relation to the ReINVEST trial (for example, through posters or similar in court buildings)?
- (3) Has the Department provided any funding to the ReINVEST trial, either directly or in kind?
- (4) Has the Department provided any incentive (cash or otherwise) to participants for their consent to be identified for the purposes of the trial, or for their participation in the trial?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes. Corrective Services NSW (CSNSW) Community Corrections has made referrals to the ReINVEST trial.
 - (a) The role of Community Corrections officers in recruitment for the ReINVEST trial was limited to offering eligible offenders on community-based orders information about the trial. Offices would provide the offender with contact information for the trial, or with the offender's consent, arrange for the research team to contact them by telephone. The eligibility criteria for participants for referral was:

- Male
- 18 years of age or older
- At least two convictions for violent offences
- Medically fit to undertake the trial
- Ability to provide informed consent

Full assessment of participants for suitability for the trial was undertaken by the research team.

- (b) Community Corrections referred 1,759 men to the research team for assessment of suitability for the trial. Please see a table as an attachment on the Parliament's website.
- (2) Posters about the trial were placed in public areas of CSNSW premises. Any questions about promotion of the trial at court locations should be referred to the Attorney General.
- (3) The Department of Communities and Justice has provided \$8 million from January 2018 to October 2022 for the completion of the ReINVEST trial and delivery of an outcomes evaluation. The funding was allocated by the Attorney General under the Premier's Priority to reduce domestic violence. Any questions about this funding should be referred to the Attorney General.
- (4) CSNSW made a notional in kind contribution of \$36,000 for research design and data assistance.No.

* 8036 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—HSC MARKERS AND NESA PAYMENTS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) When did Higher School Certificate markers commence and complete their duties in 2021?
- (a) When were they paid by the NSW Education Standards Authority?
- (b) Was there a delay in making payment?
- (i) If so, why did this occur?
- (c) What action did the Minister take to prevent delayed payment damaging the capacity of markers to fund their Christmas and New Year costs of living?

Answer—

In 2021 the HSC written examinations were delayed by one month. All marking activities, including payment to markers, were required to be adjusted accordingly. Payments to markers occurred between 17 December and 17 January.

* 8037 ARTS—PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS FOR LIBRARIES—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—

- (1) Did the Government create new Health Orders operational on 15 December 2021 that stated for visits to libraries, museums and galleries in NSW “you are not required to be fully vaccinated or carry vaccination evidence?”
- (2) Does Section 10 of the Libraries Act (1939) give residents of New South Wales, regardless of health status, a legal right to public library membership and to access library material free-of-charge?
- (3) Which facilities in the Minister’s portfolio are still requiring vaccination proof for entry?
- (a) What are the details and reasons for this?
- (4) What action has the Minister taken to ensure that the publicly funded facilities in (3) above abide by Government Health Orders and policies?
- (5) Is the State Library of New South Wales breaching the Health Orders and Libraries Act by still requiring vaccination evidence presented to security guards at its front door?
- (a) If so, why?

Answer—

- (1) The Public Health (COVID-19 General) Order (No2) 2021, enacted on 15 December 2021 by the NSW Government, makes no specific reference to libraries, museums or galleries, nor does it contain the quoted statement "you are not required to be fully vaccinated or carry vaccination evidence".

The statement does not appear anywhere in the legislation.

- (2) Section 10 of the Library Act 1939 gives any person who is a resident of New South Wales an entitlement to membership of a local library free of charge.

The Act is silent on the matter of health status, beyond noting that no charge is to be made for the delivery to a member of the library of any library material or information that the member is entitled to borrow free of charge if the member for reasons of ill health or disability cannot reasonably be expected to attend the library in person.

- (3) There are hundreds of venues and organisations that fall under the remit of the Arts portfolio. Of the NSW State Cultural Institutions, including the State Library of NSW, four currently require proof of vaccination as a condition of entry onto their premises.

The following Cultural Institutions require proof of vaccination as a condition of entry onto their venues, as of 1 February 2022:

- Art Gallery of NSW
- Australian Museum
- Sydney Opera House
- Powerhouse Museum

Sydney Living Museum properties and the State Library of NSW do not require proof of vaccination as a condition of entry to their venues.

Management of the Cultural Institutions have undertaken Work Health and Safety assessments as they are lawfully required to do in relation to COVID-19, to arrive at these conditions of entry.

- (4) There are no laws within the Public Health (COVID-19 General) Order (No 2) 2021 that the State Cultural Institutions are in breach of.
- (5) The matter raised in this question is not envisaged by the Library Act.

Access to State Library premises is regulated under the Library Regulation 2018. Clause 4 gives the Library Council of NSW the power to make rules for the use of the State Library including its buildings, as follows:

Clause 4 - State Library rules

- (1) The Council may make rules to regulate the use of any facilities, services or collections of the State Library.
- (2) The rules for the State Library may make provision with respect to the following matters:
- (a) access to the State Library's facilities, services or collections,
 - (b) the conditions of use of the facilities, services or collections of the State Library,
 - (c) requiring persons to make undertakings in relation to the use of the facilities, services or collections of the State Library
 - (d) any other matters relating to the use of the State Library
- (3) The Council may require any person wishing to make use of the facilities, services or collections of the State Library to obtain the Council's consent to that use.

Under the Library Regulation 2018 the Library Council and its delegate the State Librarian may make rules to regulate the access and use of its facilities.

* 8038 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—PUBLIC HEALTH ORDERS AND LIVERPOOL COUNCIL—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services representing the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) Did the Government create new Health Orders operational on 15 December 2021 that stated for visits to libraries, museums and galleries in NSW “you are not required to be fully vaccinated or carry vaccination evidence?”
- (2) Does Section 10 of the Libraries Act (1939) give residents of New South Wales, regardless of health status, a legal right to public library membership and to access library material free-of-charge?
- (3) Has Liverpool Council been allowed to breach the New South Wales Health Orders and Libraries Act by excluding unvaccinated people from its libraries and other community facilities?
 - (a) If so, why?
- (4) Has Liverpool Council reclassified itself as a ‘business’ to avoid the 15 December Health Orders and is this legal under the New South Wales Local Government Act?
- (5) What action has the Minister taken to ensure all Liverpool residents can access ratepayer-funded facilities in the local government area?
- (6) Which other local Councils in New South Wales have persisted with vaccine mandates and segregated access after 15 December?

Answer—

I am advised:

Conditions of entry and use for council services are a matter for the individual council and not a matter for the Minister for Local Government. Any conditions of entry or use that councils choose to put in place in relation to vaccination status are a matter for the Council to determine in line with the relevant legislation and their own risk assessment. This is consistent with all other industries and services.

Councils across NSW are taking their own approach to conditions of entry and access in accordance with their own risk assessments. Any issues in relation to specific councils should be directed to the individual Council concerned.

* 8039 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS AT SCHOOLS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) How many rapid antigen tests will be available for use by New South Wales government schools at the beginning of the 2022 school year?
- (2) Will the tests be used at the beginning of each school day by unvaccinated teachers and support staff to allow them to stay employed by the Education Department, helping to alleviate the teacher staffing crisis in New South Wales?
- (3) How many of the following have been sacked by the Department:
 - (a) Unvaccinated teachers?
 - (b) Unvaccinated support staff?

Answer—

- (1) The Department of Education has worked collaboratively across government to distribute more than 6 million rapid antigen test kits to all schools and early childhood education (ECE) services across NSW for the beginning of the 2022 school year. Additional supplies will be sent to schools and ECE services to support the Government’s return to school plan for Term 1 2022.
- (2) All school staff are required to be fully vaccinated in line with the Public Health (COVID-19 Vaccination of Education and Care Workers) Order (No 2) 2021. The usage of rapid antigen tests does not negate this requirement.
- (3)
 - (a) As at 20 January 2022, 92 teachers have been dismissed as a result of non-compliance with COVID-19 vaccination requirements.

- (b) As at 20 January 2022, 39 non-teaching school-based staff have been dismissed as a result of non-compliance with COVID-19 vaccination requirements.

* 8040 PREMIER—CAHILL EXPRESSWAY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) How much did the Elevate Festival on the Cahill Expressway cost the government?
- (2) How many people attended each event?
- (3) How much was each entertainer or compere paid?
- (4) What attendee feedback did the government receive, concerning:
 - (a) The discomfort of people having to sit on the hot road tarmac?
 - (b) The low quality of entertainment and organisation?
- (5) Will the Cahill Expressway be closed in the future for this type of event?

Answer—

This is a matter for the Minister for Tourism and Sport, the Hon. Stuart Ayres MP.

* 8041 ENTERPRISE, INVESTMENT AND TRADE—CAHILL EXPRESSWAY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Families and Communities, and Minister for Disability Services representing the Minister for Enterprise, Investment and Trade, Minister for Tourism and Sport, and Minister for Western Sydney—

- (1) How much did the Elevate Festival on the Cahill Expressway cost the government?
- (2) How many people attended each event?
- (3) How much was each entertainer or compere paid?
- (4) What attendee feedback did the government receive, concerning:
 - (a) The discomfort of people having to sit on the hot road tarmac?
 - (b) The low quality of entertainment and organisation?
- (5) Will the Cahill Expressway be closed in the future for this type of event?

Answer—

I am advised that:

- (1) In line with Budget Paper 2, the NSW Government allocated \$15 million to temporarily transform the Cahill Expressway to host events including a viewing deck for the New Year's Eve fireworks and in the period leading up to the 2022 Sydney Festival. The cost of individual activities and services contracted to deliver the activation is negotiated with the providers concerned and is commercial-in-confidence.

Destination NSW is finalising figures tied to government services ELEVATE Sydney, however subject to finalisation the cost to deliver ELEVATE Sydney was \$12,043,326.22, which includes the amount of \$265,900 that Destination NSW is still working through with government agencies. It should be noted that the figure above includes \$753,389.87 for fees related to New Year's Eve events.

- (2) The ELEVATE program was broken into three sessions each day. The table below details ticketed attendance at each session held on the Cahill Expressway deck.

Please see a table as an attachment on the Parliament's website.

It is estimated through crowd counting an additional 36,500 people also attended the ELEVATE SkyShow drone show which closed the ELEVATE program each night.

The ELEVATE SkyShow attendance figure was estimated by the ELEVATE Sydney risk assessment contractor, as part of the event's crowd management people counting process.

In total, over 45 000 people attended. This was lower than originally anticipated due to increasing case numbers as a result of the Omicron wave. Attendees were asked not to attend if they were feeling unwell in line with COVID Safe guidelines.

- (3) Fees paid to professional talent are negotiated with the individuals concerned and are commercial-in-confidence.
- (4) Feedback received by attendees to staff working on site at ELEVATE Sydney program was extremely positive.
 - (a) Seating was available at all events including dedicated seating for event attendees with access or special needs. Matting was also placed over the road surface and overhead shade cloths were installed on the Cahill Expressway deck to provide protection from the weather.
 - (b) The ELEVATE program brought together a diverse mix of Australian artists and genres for a free outdoor entertainment and cultural program for all ages. It featured children's entertainment, sport themed variety shows, disco, youth, First Nations, pop and more.

ELEVATE Kids sessions featured family favourites The Wiggles, Bluey and Justine Clarke.

The Arena sessions featured a diverse mix, including Australia's most successful Olympian Emma McKeon OAM and Stephanie Brantz, media presenter, reporter, producer and commentator. Ms Brantz is also a member of the Board of Directors of Football NSW and is Chair of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Sports Diplomacy Advisory Council.

The evening Club sessions featured internationally renowned performers including:

- Marcia Hines - ARIA Hall of Fame inductee;
- Tim Minchin AM - Olivier and Tony Award winner;
- Tones and I - Multi-ARIA Award winner, whose single 'Dance Monkey' went 16 times Platinum in Australia, five times Platinum in New Zealand and four times Platinum in the UK and USA;
- Troy Cassar Daley - winner of 37 Golden Guitars, nine Deadlys, two National Indigenous Music Awards and four ARIAs.

Event organisation was overseen by successful tenderer - event management and delivery company AGB Events. AGB Events regularly works with partners in Sydney to deliver major events including Vivid Sydney, Invictus Games and Macquarie Visions. AGB Events also works with other Australian State and Territory Governments and with international partners to deliver world class events.

- (5) ELEVATE Sydney showcased the city's capability in delivering major events, particularly in non-traditional event settings and generated economic benefits for the Sydney CBD.

The NSW Government recognises the critical role that arts and culture play in skills development and job creation and the flow on benefits to the NSW visitor economy.

Any event that is supported by the NSW Government to deliver economic and social benefits to the community will be publicly announced ahead of their implementation.

* 8042 ARTS—CAHILL EXPRESSWAY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—

- (1) How much did the Elevate Festival on the Cahill Expressway cost the government?
- (2) How many people attended each event?
- (3) How much was each entertainer or compere paid?
- (4) What attendee feedback did the government receive, concerning:
 - (a) The discomfort of people having to sit on the hot road tarmac?
 - (b) The low quality of entertainment and organisation?

- (5) Will the Cahill Expressway be closed in the future for this type of event?

Answer—

- (1) This is a matter for the Hon. Stuart Ayres, MP in his capacity as the Minister for Tourism and Sport.
(2) This is a matter for the Hon. Stuart Ayres, MP in his capacity as the Minister for Tourism and Sport.
(3) This is a matter for the Hon. Stuart Ayres, MP in his capacity as the Minister for Tourism and Sport.
(4) This is a matter for the Hon. Stuart Ayres, MP in his capacity as the Minister for Tourism and Sport.
(5) This is a matter for the Hon. Stuart Ayres, MP in his capacity as the Minister for Tourism and Sport.

* 8043 EMERGENCY SERVICES AND RESILIENCE—RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS FOR RFNSW AND RFS—
The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads representing the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience—

- (1) How many staff at Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) have been:
- (a) Sacked for their vaccination status?
(b) Stood down from their positions while on leave for the vaccination status?
(c) Investigated for their vaccination status?
- (2) How many staff at NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) have been:
- (a) Sacked for their vaccination status?
(b) Stood down from their positions while on leave for the vaccination status?
(c) Investigated for their vaccination status?
- (3) Are RFS volunteers now required to mask, pass a rapid antigen test and be fully vaccinated before being allowed to serve?
- (4) In (3) above, does vaccination status matter if a negative rapid antigen test shows that the RFS volunteers are COVID-free?
- (5) Has the Government policy of 15 December removing the need for vaccination status been applied to RFS volunteers, RFS permanent staff and FRNSW staff?
- (a) If so, why?
- (6) Has FRNSW breached Federal and State privacy laws by revealing the vaccination status of employees to all other staff in the Staff App Phone Book?
- (a) If so, why?
(b) If so, what action is the Minister taking about this breach of privacy?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1-2) Fire and Rescue NSW has advised that no employees have been sacked due to their vaccination status, while 248 employees have been stood down. The NSW RFS advises that 13 staff members were directed not to attend work or undertake duty, and ultimately 11 staff members had their employment terminated effective 19 January 2022.
- (3-4) The NSW RFS advises that brigade consultation regarding mandatory vaccination of volunteers closed on 17 January 2022. The feedback will be reviewed prior to any formal decision on volunteer vaccination. The RFS has a COVID action plan that outlines requirements to work safely, and a protocol for managing the results of Rapid Antigen Tests.
- (5) Both Fire and Rescue NSW and the NSW RFS advise that the changes to Public Health (COVID-19 General) Order (No 2) 2021 which took effect on 15 December 2021 did not result in changes to their respective vaccination policies.
- (6) Fire and Rescue NSW advises that it is aware of a technical issue which resulted in a number of employees' location status being changed from their previous workplace location to 'no

vaccination’ on the intranet phonebook. The technical issue has been rectified and FRNSW has advised that it will work with the Information and Privacy Commission to determine further preventative and remedial action.

* 8044 ATTORNEY GENERAL—LRC REPORT—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence representing the Attorney General—

- (1) Is the minister aware that the Law Reform Commission (LRC) Report No. 148 ‘Consent in relation to sexual offences’ contained six pages of errors in relation to the rate of sexual assault convictions in New South Wales?
 - (a) If so, when was the Minister made aware?
 - (b) If so, what inquiries has the Minister made as to how such errors could have been made, given that the Report was the basis of the Government’s Crime Legislation Amendment (Sexual Consent Reforms) Bill 2021?
 - (i) Why were the errors made?
- (3) Does the Minister accept that the rate of sexual assault convictions in New South Wales is 12.7 percent (as a proportion of incidents reported to NSW Police), not the 2.7 percent originally claimed and reported on by the LRC?
- (4) Did the Minister allow his Sexual Consent Reforms Bill to proceed through both Houses of Parliament in November on the basis of false information without any attempt to alert members of the Legislative Assembly to the errors?
- (5) When was the LRC first alerted to the errors in its report and why did it take several months for the LRC to issue a public correction?
- (6) Did the Minister inform New South Wales Cabinet of the LRC errors and the false information upon which the Report and the Bill were based?

Answer—

The NSW Government’s Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Consent Reforms) Bill 2021 passed the NSW Parliament with almost unanimous parliamentary support in November 2021.

These reforms were informed by extensive stakeholder consultation, legal research, case law analysis and drafting undertaken by the NSW Law Reform Commission.

In May 2018, the NSW Government tasked the NSW Law Reform Commission with undertaking a “review and report on consent and knowledge of consent in relation to sexual assault offences”. The inquiry’s terms of reference specified factors that the NSW Law Reform Commission should have regard to in undertaking this inquiry, including “Sexual assault research and expert opinion” and “The impact or potential impact of relevant case law and developments in law, policy and practice by the Commonwealth, in other States and Territories of Australia, and internationally”. The terms of reference did not refer to statistics.

The NSW Law Reform Commission detailed its research methodology from [1.39]-[1.56] of its Report.

The Report stated that its research methodology included (footnotes omitted):

- (a) “inviting preliminary submissions from members of the community and key organisations and agencies. We received 110 preliminary submissions, representing an unprecedented level of engagement at the preliminary stage of a review. We held meetings with some of the key agencies and organisations with knowledge of the law of consent and its practical effect.”
- (b) “In October 2018 we released a Consultation Paper which examined the elements of s 61HA (as it then was) and invited views on whether the law needs to change. We received 36 submissions in response to the Consultation Paper, largely from legal agencies and advocacy groups.”
- (c) “In order to encourage people who otherwise might not participate in a law reform process to have their say about the law of consent, in October 2018 we published an online survey using SurveyMonkey. Respondents accessed the survey through Facebook, Twitter, our

website or our mailing list... The number of responses was significantly larger than we have ever received to a Commission survey. In total, 3858 people accessed the survey.”

- (d) “Between February and December 2019, we consulted with a wide range of groups and individuals. These included judges, prosecutors, defence lawyers, community legal centres, advocacy groups, police representatives, health professionals, community organisations and academics. Consultations took place in metropolitan and regional NSW, as well as in Victoria and Tasmania. During the interstate visits, we spoke to legal experts about the approaches to consent in those States, and what they perceived to be the benefits and disadvantages of these approaches.”
- (e) “We conducted significant research into legislation, case law and law reform reports from NSW, other Australian states and territories, and internationally.”
- (f) “We also undertook an extensive review of academic literature on issues relating to consent and sexual offending”.
- (g) “To obtain a sense of the themes and issues raised in sexual assault trials, we reviewed a sample of transcripts of 16 trials conducted in the District Court in 2017– 2018. The trials involved at least one charge of sexual assault (although some involved multiple charges, including related offences such as aggravated sexual assault). The sample included a mixture of:
 - ☐ trials resulting in guilty and not guilty verdicts
 - ☐ jury and judge-alone trials, and
 - ☐ trials heard in central Sydney, suburban Sydney and regional courts.

We also reviewed a sample of reasons for judgment issued by judges in 12 judgealone trials. This research has informed our review and we refer to relevant transcripts and judgments in various chapters of this Report.”

- (h) “We released Draft Proposals in October 2019 and invited public responses...We received 51 submissions in response. We have taken these responses into account in preparing our final recommendations.”

While Chapter 2 of the Report referred to data, including from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) and others, the limitations of these statistics were acknowledged by the NSW Law Reform Commission at [2.1]-[2.6]. No datasets were cited in the bill’s Second Reading Speech in the Legislative Assembly on 20 October 2021 or on 12 November in the Legislative Council.

The development of the Crimes Legislation Amendment (Sexual Consent Reforms) Act 2021 was informed by further consultation, undertaken by the NSW Government independent of the NSW Law Reform Commission’s processes, during drafting of the bill. As stated in the Second Reading Speech, this consultation involved more than 20 targeted stakeholders, including service providers, the legal profession, experts and academics.

On Friday 12 November 2021, my office informed me of advice received that evening from BOCSAR that there was a data error in the Report in which incorrect BOCSAR figures were included and that work was underway to correct this publication.

On Monday 15 November 2021, BOCSAR advised the NSW Law Reform Commission Secretariat of a BOCSAR data error in the Report.

On Tuesday 16 November 2021, BOCSAR advised the NSW Law Reform Commission Secretariat and my office that it had discovered that the Report contained some inaccurate BOCSAR statistics. BOCSAR advised that accurate data was currently being prepared.

On 16 November 2021, my office requested advice from BOCSAR as to what processes and approvals occurred prior to and at the time the data was released, and what changes BOCSAR was proposing moving forward to address these issues

On 19 November 2021, BOCSAR advised that the inaccurate statistics resulted from human errors in the data processing and that the corrected data remained consistent with the NSW Law Reform Commission’s

assessment that the rate of legal actions and convictions for sexual offences are low. BOCSAR advised that changes had now been implemented to BOCSAR's processes.

I requested BOCSAR take further steps with a view to promoting the accuracy of data provided in response to data enquiries moving forward.

I am advised that the NSW Law Reform Commission issued a statement on 6 December 2021, which is available at <https://www.lawreform.justice.nsw.gov.au/Documents/Current-projects/Consent/NSWLRC%20Statement%20-%20Report%20138%20-%20206%20Dec%202021.pdf>.

The timing and content of that statement are matters for the NSW Law Reform Commission as an independent statutory body constituted under the Law Reform Commission Act 1967 (NSW).

The NSW Law Reform Commission's statement notes at [1.5] that "The NSW Law Reform Commission considers that, although there have been changes to the figures and percentages, these do not affect our conclusions in the report, which remain supported by the correct data."

* 8045 POLICE—LRC REPORT ERRORS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) When did Police Commissioner Fuller first find out that the Law Reform Commission Report No. 148 'Consent in relation to sexual offences' contained six pages of errors in relation to the rate of sexual assault convictions in New South Wales?
- (2) What inquiries did the Police Minister and the Police Commissioner make as to how such errors could have been made, given that the Report was the basis of Mr Fuller's claim in March 2021 that the sexual assault conviction rate in New South Wales was 2 percent?
 - (a) Why were the errors made?
- (3) Does Police Commissioner Fuller accept that the rate of sexual assault convictions in NSW is 12.7 percent (as a proportion of incidents reported to NSW Police), not the 2.7 percent originally claimed and reported on by the Law Reform Commission and repeated publicly by Mr Fuller?
- (4) What action has Mr Fuller taken to publicly correct his false statements on this matter?
- (5) Will new Commissioner Webb now correct the public record on this matter for the NSW Police?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force has been made aware by the Department of Communities and Justice that some of the data provided by the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) for the NSW Law Reform Commission's (LRC) report, Consent in relation to sexual offences, was incorrect.

On 6 December 2021, the LRC published a statement on its website and a comparison of the original data with the correct data.

The LRC published statement shows that there was an error in the number of incidents of sexual assault reported to Police in 2018/19 in the Consent Report. It was reported as 14,171 and was corrected to 2,549. As a result the proportion of reports to Police that were ultimately convicted (or proven) rose from 3% to 13%. This remains a low conviction rate. See NSW Law Reform Commission, Statement about data in Report 148, 6 December 2021, table 2.2 and [2.68].

The now corrected data error does not in any way jeopardise or undermine the NSW Government's landmark reforms.

* 8046 PREMIER—NEW MINISTRY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) In the new Cabinet administrative arrangements announced in December, does the Premier still believe in the virtues and economic and social benefits of small government?
 - (a) If so, why has the Premier expanded the Cabinet to twenty-six Ministers when no more than 15 could readily handle the responsibilities of State Government?

- (b) Why are eighteen parliamentary secretaries needed to support a Ministry of twenty-six?
- (c) Why did the other eighteen members of the Parliamentary Liberal and National Parties not make it into the forty-four Executive Government positions created by the Premier?
- (d) Which Minister is responsible for the New South Wales electoral laws and Electoral Commission?
- (e) What is Active Transport and how does it benefit the people of Outer Western Sydney?
 - (i) Is the government making residents of Outer Western Sydney subsidise the inner-city through active transport funding, the payment of road tolls and electric vehicle subsidies?
 - (ii) If so, why?
- (f) What will the Minister for Cities do given New South Wales has a Planning Minister, Mr Roberts?
 - (i) How are the Cities Minister's responsibilities different to those of the Planning Minister?
- (g) What will the Minister for Infrastructure do given New South Wales has three other Transport and Roads Ministers?
 - (i) How are the Infrastructure Minister's responsibilities different to the three Transport and Roads Ministers?
- (h) Which Minister is responsible for the Gay Hate Crimes Inquiry, given that last year the Attorney General said (in answer to Question On Notice 7744) it was the then Special Minister of State, Mr Harwin, and Mr Harwin (Answer to Question 7911) said it was the Attorney-General?
- (i) Has the Premier allocated the big domestic, expanding spending portfolio of Energy to the Treasurer, given the conflict of interest by which the Treasurer is now responsible for identifying cost-savings in Energy?
 - (i) If so, why?
 - (ii) Why would other Ministers seek cost savings in their portfolios given their expectation of the Treasurer quarantining Energy from fiscal discipline?
- (j) Does New South Wales have a Minister for Trade when trade is a Commonwealth responsibility under the Australian Constitution?
 - (i) If so, why?

Answer—

On 20 December 2021, the Deputy Premier and I announced a new Cabinet team and three new portfolios.

The new Ministry harnesses experience, while allowing for renewal and injecting fresh energy into the team. It is a team with purpose, and carefully shaped to deliver on the NSW Government's vision.

The new portfolios announced demonstrate the NSW Government's commitment to deliver more opportunity for home ownership, the Six Cities strategy, and great jobs through cutting edge research, innovation and local manufacturing.

The new Cabinet team is focused on delivering the NSW Government's vision for the state.

* 8047 PREMIER—CONFLICT OF INTEREST—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) Is there a conflict of interest by which Ava Hancock is the Chief Energy Policy Advisor to the Energy Minister and her brother Ian Hancock is a major energy investor, lobbyist and business partner to the Liberal Party factional chief and lobbyist Michael Photios?
 - (a) If so, what action has the Premier taken?

Answer—

I expect Ministers to comply with the Ministerial Code of Conduct.

I expect Ministers' staff to comply with the Office Holders' Staff Code of Conduct.

* 8049 PREMIER—ALLOCATION OF MEDIA BUDGETS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) Does the Government have a minimum requirement of 7.5 percent in the allocation of media budgets for communications with culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) and Aboriginal audiences?
- (2) How is this provision implemented for the promotion of free Government vouchers?
- (3) Which agencies, if any, have failed to meet the requirement?
 - (a) How is this assessed?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) Yes.
- (2-3) This is a matter for the Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government, the Hon. Victor Dominello MP.

* 8050 PREMIER—RAPID ANTIGENS TESTS PURCHASED—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) For each of the following months, can the Minister please provide the number of Rapid Antigen Tests purchased by every agency or Department in the NSW Government who purchased a test, and what the per unit item cost paid was?
 - (a) January 2021?
 - (b) February 2021?
 - (c) March 2021?
 - (d) April 2021?
 - (e) May 2021?
 - (f) June 2021?
 - (g) July 2021?
 - (h) August 2021?
 - (i) September 2021?
 - (j) October 2021?
 - (k) November 2021?
 - (l) December 2021?
 - (m) January 2022?
 - (n) February 2022?

Answer—

The NSW Government has adopted Rapid Antigen Testing as part of our response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

We expect to receive 150 million tests over the coming weeks and months.

Further questions should be directed to the Minister for Health, the Hon. Brad Hazzard MP.

* 8051 HEALTH—RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS PURCHASED—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) For each of the following months, can the Minister please provide the number of Rapid Antigen Tests purchased by every agency or Department in the NSW Government who purchased a test, and what the per unit item cost paid was?
- (a) January 2021?
 - (b) February 2021?
 - (c) March 2021?
 - (d) April 2021?
 - (e) May 2021?
 - (f) June 2021?
 - (g) July 2021?
 - (h) August 2021?
 - (i) September 2021?
 - (j) October 2021?
 - (k) November 2021?
 - (l) December 2021?
 - (m) January 2022?
 - (n) February 2022?

Answer—

The NSW Government has adopted Rapid Antigen Testing as part of our response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Including Rapid Antigen Testing as part of NSW's testing and diagnostic regime is helping to alleviate pressure on the PCR testing system, allowing PCR tests to be relied on in cases where they are medically necessary.

The NSW Government is expecting to receive 50 million tests from mid-January to February, and a further 50 million tests from February and into March.

* 8052 ATTORNEY GENERAL—FORFEITURE OF BAIL SECURITY—The Hon. Rod Roberts to ask the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence representing the Attorney General—

- (1) The Minister's response to QON 7838 (1) (a) (i) and (1) (a) (ii) is that the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research does not hold the data relating to the number of occasions bail has been granted with a security condition in the past three years nor how many times that condition has been breached in the past three years.
- (a) Does any organisation or data base hold the data in relation to the number of occasions bail has been granted with a security condition in the past three years?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (b) Does any organisation or data base hold the data in relation to the number of occasions that a security condition of bail has been breached?
 - (a) If not, why not?
 - (c) How does the Minister assess if the bail condition of offering a surety is effective in ensuring the safety of the public if the requested data in relation to bail security numbers, times granted and times breached are not collected?
 - (d) Will the Minister ensure that all future data is collected, stored and analysed in relation to all breaches of bail conditions?

- (a) If not, why not?
- (b) If so, how?

Answer—

I am advised:

The premise of these questions is incorrect. I refer the Member to the answer to Question on Notice 7838 which stated that the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research “does not hold readily available data”.

Other data available to monitor the operation of security requirements includes the number of bail forfeiture orders undertaken in the Local Court, which was provided at (iii) of the answer to Question on Notice 7838.

Data is one of many factors considered by the NSW Government in promoting, as provided by the Preamble of the Bail Act 2013:

- (a) “the need to ensure the safety of victims of crime, individuals and the community,
- (b) the need to ensure the integrity of the justice system,
- (c) the common law presumption of innocence and the general right to be at liberty.”

* 8053 POLICE—DRUG POSSESSION AT MUSIC FESTIVALS—Ms Cate Faehrmann to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) How many people were caught with a small quantity of a prohibited drug at a music festival in the following years:
 - (a) 2019?
 - (b) 2018?
 - (c) 2017?
 - (d) 2016?
- (2) How many people under the age of twenty-five were caught with a small quantity of a prohibited drug at a music festival in the following years:
 - (a) 2019?
 - (b) 2018?
 - (c) 2017?
 - (d) 2016?
- (3) How many people were caught with a trafficable quantity of a prohibited drug at a music festival in the following years:
 - (a) 2019?
 - (b) 2018?
 - (c) 2017?
 - (d) 2016?
- (4) How many people under the age of twenty-five were caught with a trafficable quantity of a prohibited drug at a music festival in the following years:
 - (a) 2019?
 - (b) 2018?
 - (c) 2017?
 - (d) 2016?

- (5) How many people were caught with an indictable quantity of a prohibited drug at a music festival in the following years:
- (a) 2019?
 - (b) 2018?
 - (c) 2017?
 - (d) 2016?
- (6) How many people under the age of twenty-five were caught with a trafficable quantity of a prohibited drug at a music festival in the following years:
- (a) 2019?
 - (b) 2018?
 - (c) 2017?
 - (d) 2016?

Answer—

I am advised:

The NSW Police Force is unable to extract this data from the Computerised Operational Policing System (COPS) without being able to identify each music festival by name, date, and location.

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(Paper No. 657)

* 8055 POLICE—NSW POLICE SPECIAL LIAISON OFFICERS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) Further to the Minister's answer to Question on Notice 7781:
- (a) What will be the total number of Gay and Lesbian Liaison Officers in the NSW Police Force by the end of the following years:
 - (i) 2021?
 - (ii) 2022?
- (2) By the end of 2021, how many NSW Police Special Liaison Officers will have been trained to assist the following groups:
- (a) Welfare recipients?
 - (b) Public housing estate residents?
 - (c) Indigenous?
 - (d) Geographically remote residents?
 - (e) Victims of domestic violence?
 - (f) Disabled people?
 - (g) Refugees?
 - (h) Non-English speaking people?
- (3) By the end of 2021, how many NSW Police Special Liaison Officers will be recruited to assist the following groups:
- (a) Welfare recipients?
 - (b) Public housing estate residents?
 - (c) Indigenous?

- (d) Geographically remote residents?
- (e) Victims of domestic violence?
- (f) Disabled people?
- (g) Refugees?
- (h) Non-English speaking people?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1)

- (i) The NSW Police Force currently has 255 generalist officers who have completed GLLO (LGBTIQ) training.
- (ii) At least 315 officers will have completed GLLO (LGBTIQ) training in preparation for Sydney World Pride 2023.

(2) The NSW Police Force does not have specific officers that assist welfare recipients, public housing estate residents, or geographically remote residents. There are however the following specialist liaison officers:

- 58 Aboriginal Community Liaison Officers.
- 108 Domestic Violence Officers (DVOs). In addition to the DVOs, the NSW Police Force also has dedicated Domestic Violence Operatives and Domestic and Family Violence Coordinators.
- 12 Aged Crime Prevention Officers who are trained to support older people and people with a disability.
- 26 Multicultural Community Liaison Officers who also assist refugees and members of the community who may not speak English.

The above-named roles are all dedicated specialist liaison positions.

The NSW Police Force is committed to providing all its officers with ongoing training and access to educational resources throughout their career. This includes a mix of mandatory and other training provided to all officers in relation to domestic and family violence, and engaging with, and supporting diverse and vulnerable communities.

(3) One additional MCLO was appointed in 2021. A further six will be appointed in 2022.

* 8056 POLICE—NSW POLICE WORKPLACE VACCINATION POLICY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

- (1) Why has the NSW Police introduced a forced workplace vaccination policy for all staff?
- (2) Prior to the policy's introduction:
 - (a) What workplace risk assessment took place?
 - (b) What employee consultation took place?
- (3) How many NSW Police employees:
 - (a) Are under investigation?
 - (b) Have resigned due to the policy?
 - (c) Been fired for non-compliance with the policy?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) During the pandemic, it has been necessary for the NSW Police Force to adapt its resources and responses to best protect members of the agency and the broader community. Some of the key reasons for the implementation of the mandatory vaccination directive are as follows:
 - Mandatory vaccination provides the NSW Police Force with consistency of protection against COVID-19, regardless of the type and location of duties performed;
 - The NSW Police Force response to the pandemic had been critical to the functioning of society, and members of the agency come into contact with vulnerable or at-risk individuals, as well as those that may be COVID positive; and
 - It is a reasonable additional control measure to reduce the risk of the transmission of COVID-19 between members of the NSW Police Force.
- (2)
 - (a) The NSW Police Force has completed ongoing risk assessments in response to the current pandemic. Due to escalating risks, the risk assessment was updated to identify mandatory vaccination, subject to medical contraindications and other limited exemptions, as an appropriate control measure. Vaccines are considered a higher order control and a more effective measure than just utilising personal protective equipment, and human behaviour mitigation strategies.
 - (b) The updated risk assessments were discussed with the Police Association of NSW (PANSW) and the Public Service Association of NSW (PSA). Information was also disseminated to all members of the NSW Police Force.
- (3) The below information is provided as of 11 January 2022:
 - (a) 86 officers, 57 administrative employees, and five temporary employees have registered for non-compliance with the vaccine mandate
 - (b) Four administrative employees.
 - (c) One administrative employee and one temporary employee have been formally terminated.

* 8057 EMERGENCY SERVICES AND RESILIENCE—STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE WORKPLACE VACCINATION POLICY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads representing the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience—

- (1) Why has the State Emergency Service (SES) introduced a forced workplace vaccination policy for all staff?
- (2) Prior to the policy's introduction:
 - (a) What workplace risk assessment took place?
 - (b) What employee consultation took place?
- (3) How many SES employees:
 - (a) Are under investigation?
 - (b) Have resigned due to the policy?
 - (c) Been fired for non-compliance with the policy?

Answer—

The Hon Mark Latham MLC has directed the same questions to Fire and Rescue NSW and the NSW Rural Fire Service at questions 8113 and 8114. The Member is asked to consider the following as a response to all three questions.

I am advised:

- (1-3) The NSW SES, FRNSW, and the NSW RFS have each developed vaccination policies in accordance with NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet Circular C2021-16: Guidance for Government Sector Agencies regarding COVID-19 Vaccinations for their Employees. Each agency has undertaken detailed risk assessments, and undertaken consultation with staff, and with the relevant representative unions and associations. The agencies advise that no staff are under

investigation. The NSW RFS advises that three staff members have resigned, and 11 staff members had their employment terminated effective 19 January 2022.

* 8060 PREMIER—VACCINE PASSPORTS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) Given that the Government is abolishing its vaccine passports on December 15, is it now safe for the vaccinated and unvaccinated to sit together in cafes, pubs and restaurants in New South Wales?
 - (a) If so, why is the Government introducing forced workplace vaccination mandates in agencies such as the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) and the Department of Customer Service, meaning it is not safe for the vaccinated and unvaccinated to sit together in Government offices?
- (2) What action is the Premier taking to end this inconsistency?

Answer—

Information in relation to the NSW Government's COVID-19 vaccination policy can be found at nsw.gov.au.

Further questions should be directed to the Minister for Health, the Hon. Brad Hazzard MP.

* 8061 PREMIER—HON BRAD HAZZARD MP—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) Is the Premier aware that the Minister for Health and Medical Research shook hands with the infected Hon Adam Marshall MP in front of witnesses from the Pharmacy Guild at the National Party Budget Dinner in Parliament House on 22 June and then arranged for health officials to classify himself only as a Casual Contact of Minister Marshall, thereby avoiding two weeks of isolation?
 - (a) What discussions has the Premier had with Minister Marshall to establish the extent of the Hazzard impropriety?
- (2) How can the Hon Brad Hazzard MP remain as Health Minister in this Government?

Answer—

I refer the Honourable Member to Standing Order 65 of the Legislative Council's Standing Rules and Orders in relations to Questions Seeking Information, specifically SO 65 (1) (a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g).

* 8062 PREMIER—VACCINATION POLICY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) What was the point in Government policy and mandates of 93 per cent of adults getting vaccinated to find out they can be on the other side of a pub from a COVID-infected person and have to isolate for seven days as a classified Close Contact?
- (2) When will the Premier end the over-officious controlling behaviour and restrictions of Dr Kerry Chant and NSW Health?

Answer—

I refer the Honourable Member to Standing Order 65 of the Legislative Council's Standing Rules and Orders in relations to Questions Seeking Information, specifically SO 65 (1) (a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g).

* 8065 PREMIER—GOVERNANCE IN NSW—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Premier—

- (1) Did the Premier and Ministers Ayres, Minister Toole and Minister Hazzard announce a policy on 15 December whereby vaccination proof is only needed in New South Wales for businesses (if they choose), music festivals and boat cruises?
- (2) Why are State Government facilities such as the State Library and Powerhouse Museum still requiring vaccination proof for entry?

- (3) Why do Ministers make policy announcements for public servants to ignore them?
- (4) Who is running NSW, the Cabinet or bureaucrats?
- (5) Has the proliferation of 'woke' political programs in the NSW Public Service encouraged bureaucrats to believe they should make policy decisions instead of Cabinet?
 - (a) What is the Premier doing to overcome this basic governance problem in NSW?

Answer—

I refer the Honourable Member to Standing Order 65 of the Legislative Council's Standing Rules and Orders in relations to Questions Seeking Information, specifically SO 65 (1) (a), (b), (c), (d), (f), and (g).

* 8066 ARTS—VACCINATION STATUS—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—

- (1) Are all of the arts, cultural and library facilities in the Minister's portfolio open to all citizens, regardless of vaccination status, as per the new State arrangements introduced on 15 December?
 - (a) If so, what are the details?

Answer—

As of 1 of February entry are: 2022, the State Cultural Institutions making proof of vaccination a condition of entry are:

- Art Gallery of NSW
- Australian Museum
- Sydney Opera House
- Powerhouse Museum

Sydney Living Museums and the State Library of NSW do not require proof of vaccination as a condition of entry to their venues.

The health, safety and wellbeing of staff, visiting artists and visitors is paramount. State Cultural Institutions continue to monitor the situation and update their requirements accordingly.

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(Paper No. 658)

* 8072 REGIONAL NEW SOUTH WALES—HARVEST LEAVE AND STATE EXECUTIVE SERVICE—The Hon. Mick Veitch to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional New South Wales, and Minister for Police—

As at 12 January 2022:

- (a) How many applications for Harvest Leave have been submitted by employees of the Department of Regional NSW?
- (b) How much Harvest Leave has been applied for in terms of days and hours taken in Harvest Leave?
- (c) How much Harvest Leave has been granted by the Department?
- (d) What is the total cost of the leave program to date?
- (e) Please provide a breakdown of leave applications in terms of Grades 1 to 12 and State Executive Service bands 1 to 3?

Answer—

I am advised:

As at 12 January 2022:

- (a) A total of 30 employees have applied for and been granted Harvest Leave.
- (b) 1022.8 hours and 143 days taken.
- (c) 143 days harvest leave have been granted.

- (d) \$56,772.61 (calculated hourly rate from annual salary x Harvest Leave hours).
- (e) Clerk General Scale - 2
 - Clerk GR 1/ 2- 2
 - Clerk GR 3 /4 - 4
 - Clerk GR 5/6 - 8
 - Clerk GR 7/8 - 8
 - Clerk GR 9/10 - 3
 - Above GR 11/12 non-SE - 2
 - Senior Executive Band 1 - 1

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(Paper No. 661)

* 8077 ENERGY—ENERGY REBATES REPORT—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Energy—

- (1) Please provide the New South Wales Energy Rebates Report and New South Wales Energy Social Program data by state electorate for the year 2020-21, as has been provided for previous years?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The Department of Planning and Environment is currently finalising the 2020–21 NSW Energy Social Programs Report, which includes Energy Social Program data by state electoral district for 2020–21.

The Report will be published on the Energy NSW website in Q1 2022 at <https://www.energy.nsw.gov.au/government-and-regulation/legislative-and-regulatory-requirements/social-programs-energy-code>.

* 8083 ARTS—ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEES—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth—

- (1) Given the extraordinary cost associated with over 70 members of arts advisory committees appointed by the Minister's predecessor Mr Harwin, what action will the new Minister take to substantially reduce the number of committees and sinecures to save taxpayers money?

Answer—

The 10 Artform Advisory Boards were established by the Government in 2019 as part of the Arts and Cultural Funding framework reforms.

The members of the Artform Boards are arts and cultural leaders from across the State, and their expertise and experience provide the Government with valued and independent assessments, recommendations and strategic advice.

I am not considering changing the approach to the Art Form Advisory Boards at this stage.

19 JANUARY 2022

(Paper No. 663)

* 8113 EMERGENCY SERVICES AND RESILIENCE—FRNSW WORKPLACE VACCINATION POLICY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads representing the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience—

- (1) Why has Fire and Rescue NSW (RFNSW) introduced a forced workplace vaccination policy for all staff?

- (2) Prior to the policy's introduction:
- (a) What workplace risk assessment took place?
- (b) What employee consultation took place?
- (3) How many RFNSW employees:
- (a) Are under investigation?
- (b) Have resigned due to the policy?
- (c) Been fired for non-compliance with the policy?

Answer—

I am advised:

Please refer to the answer provided in response to question 8057.

* 8114 EMERGENCY SERVICES AND RESILIENCE—RFS WORKPLACE VACCINATION POLICY—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads representing the Minister for Emergency Services and Resilience—

- (1) Why has Rural Fire Service (RFS) introduced a forced workplace vaccination policy for all staff?
- (2) Prior to the policy's introduction:
- (a) What workplace risk assessment took place?
- (b) What employee consultation took place?
- (3) How many RFS employees:
- (a) Are under investigation?
- (b) Have resigned due to the policy?
- (c) Been fired for non-compliance with the policy?

Answer—

I am advised:

Please refer to the answer provided in response to question 8057.

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(Paper No. 669)

* 8136 EMPLOYEE RELATIONS—EMPLOYEE DATA—The Hon. Daniel Mookhey to ask the Minister for Finance, and Minister for Employee Relations—

- (1) Can the Minister please provide information of the number of employees, median weekly salary and average weekly overtime payment for each occupation listed in the following table?

Job title	Number of employees in this occupation	Median weekly salary for this occupation	Average weekly Overtime Payment for this occupation
Assistant in Nursing/Midwifery			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year and Thereafter			
Enrolled Nurse without medication qualification			
1st Year			

2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year			
5th Year and Thereafter			
Special Grade >08.12.99			
Enrolled Nurse			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year			
5th Year and Thereafter			
Special Grade			
Registered Nurse/Midwife			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year			
5th Year			
6th Year			
7th Year			
8th Year and Thereafter			
Clinical Nurse/Midwife Specialist			
Grade 1 - 1st Year and Thereafter			
Grade 2 - 1st Year			
Grade 2 - 2nd Year and Thereafter			
Clinical Nurse/Midwife Consultant			
Appointed prior to 31.12.99			
Grade 1 - 1st Year >31.12.99			
Grade 1 - 2nd Year >31.12.99			
Grade 2 - 1st Year >31.12.99			
Grade 2 - 2nd Year >31.12.99			
Grade 3 - 1st Year >31.12.99			
Grade 3 - 2nd Year >31.12.99			
Clinical Nurse/Midwife Educator			
Year 1			
Year 2 and Thereafter			
Medical / Technical Group			
Aides			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Technical Assistant Grade 1			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Technical Assistant Grade 2			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Cytology Scanner			

Trainee Cytology Scanner			
1st Year			
Cytology Scanner			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Pharmacy			
Pharmacy Assistant			
Grade 1			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year and Thereafter			
Grade 2			
1st Year			
2nd Year and Thereafter			
3rd Year			
4th Year and Thereafter			
Grade 2			
1st Year			
2nd Year and Thereafter			
Pharmacy Technician			
Grade 1			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year and Thereafter			
Grade 2			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year and Thereafter			
Grade 3			
1st Year			
2nd Year and Thereafter			
Grade 4			
1st Year			
2nd Year and Thereafter			
Sterilisation Technician			
Grade 1			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year and Thereafter			
Grade 2			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year and Thereafter			
Grade 3			
1st Year			
2nd Year and Thereafter			

Post Mortem Assistant 200 Post Mortems p.a.			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year and Thereafter			
Senior - Westmead			
Senior Post Mortem Assistant (Westmead)			
Forensic Mortuary Technician			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year and Thereafter			
Senior Forensic Mortuary Technician			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year and Thereafter			
Museum Technician			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year and Thereafter			
Animal Technician			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year			
Animal Attendant			
One Salary Rate			
Operations Assistants			
Trainee			
Operations Assistant			
Others - First 3 Years			
Other Subsequent years			
Senior			
Chief			
Anaesthetic and Operating Theatre Technician			
Without Diploma			
With Diploma			
Senior Anaesthetic Technician			
Senior Anaesthetic Technician (Royal Prince Alfred Hospital)			
Institute of Tropical Medicine - Prince Henry			
Attendant			
Attendant In Charge			
Surgical Instrument Repairer			
One Salary Rate			
Patient Support Assistant			
Central Coast Area Health Service			

1st Year			
Thereafter			
Patient Services Assistant			
Western Sydney Area Health Service			
Grade 1			
Grade 2 and Thereafter			
Support Services Officer			
Northern Sydney and Western Sydney Area Health Service			
One Salary Rate			
Wardsperson			
1st Year			
Thereafter			
Chief Wardsperson			
1st Year			
Thereafter			
Senior Chief Wardsperson			
1st Year			
Thereafter			
Surgical Dresser			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Surgical Dresser S.T.D. Clinic			
1st Year			
Thereafter			
Surgical Dresser Royal North Shore Hospital			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Chief Surgical Dresser			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Chief Surgical Dresser Royal North Shore Hospital			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Senior Chief Surgical Dresser			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Senior Chief Surgical Dresser Royal North Shore Hospital			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Heart / Lung Assistant			
Heart / Lung Technician			

Cardiac Technician			
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3			
Year 4 and Thereafter			
Cardiac Technologists			
Grade 1			
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3			
Year 4			
Year 5			
Year 6			
Year 7			
Year 8 and Thereafter			
Grade 2 - (Sonographer or EPS)			
Year 1			
Year 2			
Year 3 and Thereafter			
Senior			
Year 1			
Year 2 and Thereafter			
Chief			
Year 1			
Year 2 and Thereafter			
Neurophysiological Technician			
Trainee			
Trainee Neurophysiological Technician			
Technician			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year and Thereafter			
Senior			
In Charge of 2 or more employees			
St George, New Childrens, RNSH, Royal Newcastle			
RPAH, POW, PHH, Westmead			
Domestic Group			
Surgical Bootmaker			
In-Charge of Other Bootmakers/Repairers			
Otherwise			
Surgical Boot Repairer			
One Salary Rate			
Care Service Employee			
New Entrant			
Grade 1			
Grade 2 and Thereafter			
Hospital Assistant			
Grade 1			

Grade 2			
Grade 3 and Thereafter			
Housekeeper / Domestic Supervisor - Not including Food Services			
Under 100 beds			
100 beds but less than 200 beds			
200 beds but less than 300 beds			
300 beds but less than 400 beds			
400 beds but less than 500 beds			
500 beds and over			
Home Supervisor			
100 beds but less than 200 beds			
200 beds but less than 300 beds			
300 beds but less than 400 beds			
400 beds but less than 500 beds			
500 beds and over			
Linen			
Assistant Foreperson			
One Salary Rate			
Supply Officer			
Linen Supply Officer <300 Bed			
Linen Supply Officer 300-499 Bed			
Linen Supply Officer 500+ Bed			
Team Leader - Central Linen Service			
Team Leader Central Linen			
Sewing Room Supervisor			
Sewing Room Supervisor in charge of 2-6 Dressmakers/ Seamstresses			
Sewing Room Supervisor in charge of 7-11 Dressmakers/ Seamstresses			
Sewing Room Supervisor in charge of 12 or more Dressmakers/Seamstresses			
Trainee Catering Officer			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
Thereafter			
Cook			
Apprentice			
1st Six Months			
2nd Six Months			
3rd Six Months			
4th Six Months			
5th Six Months			

6th Six Months			
Cook			
Cook - Grade A			
Cook - Grade B			
Centralised Food Production Unit			
CFPU Cook - Level 1			
CFPU Cook - Level 2			
Chef			
Chef - Grade A			
Chef - Grade B			
Chef - Grade C			
Centralised Food Production Unit			
CFPU Chef - Level 1			
CFPU Chef - Level 2			
CFPU Chef - Level 3			
Maintenance/General Group			
Maintenance Supervisor			
Maintenance Supervisor (Non Trades) In charge of staff			
Maintenance Supervisor (Non Trades) Otherwise			
Boiler Attendant			
Boiler Attendant Maintenance of Plant			
Boiler Attendant Other			
Fireman			
Fireman			
Fire Safety Officers			
Fire Safety Officer - Level 1 - Over 700 beds			
Fire Safety Officer - Level 2 - 300-700 beds			
Fire Safety Officer - Level 3 - Less than 300 beds			
Motor Vehicle			
Motor Vehicle Driver <2950 Kilograms			
Motor Vehicle Driver 2951 Kg and up to 4650 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 4651 Kg and up to 6250 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 6251 Kg and up to 7700 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 7701 Kg and up to 9200 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 9201 Kg and up to 10800 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 10801 Kg and up to 12350 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 12351 Kg and up to 13950 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 13951 Kg and up to 15500 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 15501 Kg and up to 16950 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 16951 Kg and up to 18400 Kg			

Motor Vehicle Driver 18401 Kg and up to 19750 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 19751 Kg and up to 21100 Kg			
Motor Vehicle Driver 21101 Kg and up to 22450 Kg			
Tyre Fitter			
One Salary Rate			
Ambulance Support Officer			
One Salary Rate			
Patient Transport Officer (Non HealthShare)			
Trainee Patient Transport Officer			
Patient Transport Officer			
Gardening			
Apprentice			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th Year			
Gardeners			
Gardener Without Certificate			
Gardener With Certificate			
Head Gardener Without Certificate			
Head Gardener With Certificate			
Vocational			
Instructor - Rehabilitation (Tradesman)			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year and Thereafter			
Training Officer (Non-Trade)			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year and Thereafter			
Health and Security Assistant			
One Salary Rate			
Security			
One Salary Rate			
Senior			
1st Year			
2nd Year and Thereafter			
Printing Operators			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year and Thereafter			
Child Care Worker			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th year			

5th Year			
6th Year			
7th Year and Thereafter			
Diversional Therapist with Diploma			
1st Year			
2nd Year			
3rd Year			
4th year			
5th Year and Thereafter			
Residential Services Assistant			
1st Year of Service			
2nd Year of Service			
3rd Year of Service			
4th Year of Service			
5th Year of Service and Thereafter			

Answer—

This question is best directed to the Minister for Health.

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8138 FAIR TRADING—RECENT EVALUATION OF THE ENFORCEABLE UNDERTAKINGS PROGRAM—The Hon. Anthony D'Adam to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads representing the Minister for Small Business, and Minister for Fair Trading—

- (1) A SafeWork media release on 28 January refers to a recent evaluation of the Enforceable Undertakings program. When was the referred to 'recent evaluation of the Safework Enforceable Undertakings program' completed?
 - (a) Who undertook the evaluation?
 - (b) Is the evaluation report a public document?
 - (i) If so, Where is it published?
 - (ii) If not, why is the report not a public document?

8139 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—AIR PURIFIERS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Will the Minister please provide a list of each school that has had air purifiers delivered?
 - (a) Broken down by:
 - (i) The number of purifiers per school?
 - (ii) The dates of delivery to each school?

8140 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—ATAR RESULTS 2015 TO 2021—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) How many students (by raw number and percentage of total HSC recipients) received an ATAR between 30.00 and 50.00 in the following HSC years:
 - (a) 2015?
 - (b) 2016?
 - (c) 2017?
 - (d) 2018?

- (e) 2019?
- (f) 2020?
- (g) 2021?

8141 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—ATAR RESULTS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) How many students (by raw number and percentage of total HSC recipients) received an ATAR below 30.00 in the following HSC years:
 - (a) 2015?
 - (b) 2016?
 - (c) 2017?
 - (d) 2018?
 - (e) 2019?
 - (f) 2020?
 - (g) 2021?

8142 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—BATHURST WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Bathurst West Public School can the Minister please advise:
 - (a) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (b) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8143 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE VOUCHERS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Regarding the \$500 per child before and after school care vouchers scheme, will you please detail how many children are expected to benefit from these vouchers?

8144 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—CANOBOLAS RURAL TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Canobolas Rural Technology High School can the Minister please advise:
 - (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8145 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—CHATSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Chatswood High School can the Minister please advise:
 - (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8146 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—CHESTER HILL HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Chester Hill High School can the Minister please advise:
 - (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?

(c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8147 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—COVID INTENSIVE LEARNING PROGRAM—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) With regards to the COVID intensive learning program please advise:

- (a) How many full time equivalent (FTE) qualified teachers were employed as part of the program as at December 2021?
- (b) How many FTE Student Support Officers (SLSO) were employed as part of the program as at December 2021?
- (c) How many FTE students were employed as part of the program as at December 2021?
- (d) How many FTE academics were employed as part of the program as at December 2021?
- (e) How many FTE allied health professions were employed as part of the program as at December 2021?

8148 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—DUVAL HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) Will the Minister commit to enhanced maintenance of the Duval High School site, given concerns about the site becoming overgrown and damaged whilst vacant?

8149 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—GREAT LAKES COLLEGE FORSTER CAMPUS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) With regards to Great Lakes College Forster campus can the Minister please advise:

- (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
- (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?

8150 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—GUNNEDAH HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) With regards to Gunnedah High School can the Minister please advise:

- (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
- (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
- (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8151 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—HOLROYD SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) With regards to Holroyd School, can the Minister please advise how many times were classes merged in 2021?

8152 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—MARY BROOKSBANK SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) With regards to Mary Brooksbank School can the Minister please advise how many times were classes merged in 2021?

8153 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—MOUNT AUSTIN HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

(1) With regards to Mount Austin High School can the Minister please advise:

- (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
- (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
- (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8154 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—MURRUMBIDGEE REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Murrumbidgee Regional High School can the Minister please advise:
- (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8155 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—NARRABRI HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Narrabri High School can the Minister please advise:
- (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8156 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—NORTHERN BEACHES SECONDARY COLLEGE CROMER CAMPUS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Northern Beaches Secondary College Cromer Campus can the Minister please advise:
- (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8157 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—ORARA HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Orara High School can the Minister please advise:
- (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8158 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—PLUMPTON HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Plumpton High School can the Minister please advise:
- (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8159 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—PUNCHBOWL PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADE - PLANNING—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) When was the Punchbowl Public School SEARS request first submitted?
- (a) Why was this withdrawn by School Infrastructure NSW instead of progressing the project?

8160 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—PUNCHBOWL PUBLIC SCHOOL UPGRADE—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Why has the Punchbowl Public School upgrade been delayed?

8161 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Will the Minister please provide a list of each school and the amount of Rapid Antigen Tests they each received by 31 January 2022?

8162 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—RECRUITMENT BEYOND NSW STEM INITIATIVE—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to the Recruitment Beyond NSW Science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) initiative please advise:
- (a) How many STEM teachers were recruited from interstate for the start of school year 2022?
- (b) How many STEM teachers were recruited from overseas for the start of school year 2022?

8163 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—ROOF REPLACEMENT PROGRAM CONCORD HIGH—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Given the serious issues with leaking roofs at Concord High School, has Concord High School been approved for funding under the Roof Replacement program?
- (a) If not, why not?

8164 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—ROOF REPLACEMENT PROGRAM—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Could the Minister please provide a list of the schools awarded funding under the Roof Replacement program thus far?
- (a) Broken down by:
- (i) School?
- (ii) State electorate?
- (iii) The amount of funding awarded to each school?

8165 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—SCHOOLS WITH CATCHMENT BOUNDARY CHANGES—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Could the Minister please provide of list of all public schools which have had their catchment boundaries reduced in size since March 2019?
- (a) Broken down by:
- (i) School?
- (ii) Date of boundary change per school?
- (iii) Enrolments at time of boundary change per school?
- (iv) Current enrolments per school?

8166 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—SEVEN HILLS HIGH SCHOOL—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) How many teacher vacancies are currently at Seven Hills High School for 2022?
- (a) How many of these are for maths teachers?

8167 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—VENTILATION SYSTEMS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Will the Minister please provide a list of each school that had their ventilation systems adjusted or improved as a part of COVID safety measures by 31 January 2022?

8168 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—WALGETT COMMUNITY COLLEGE—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) With regards to Walgett Community College can the Minister please advise:
 - (a) How many instances of minimal supervision were there in 2021?
 - (b) How many times were classes merged in 2021?
 - (c) How many permanent positions are currently unfilled?

8169 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—DUVAL HIGH SCHOOL MASTERPLAN—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) When will a masterplan for the future of the Duval High School site be released?

8170 HEALTH—STAFF IN COVID WARDS—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Women, Minister for Regional Health, and Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) Are immuno-compromised healthcare workers exempt from working in COVID wards?
 - (a) If not, when did that policy come into place?
 - (b) If so, how is that communicated?

8171 METROPOLITAN ROADS—ROADS—The Hon. Peter Primrose to ask the Minister for Metropolitan Roads, and Minister for Women's Safety and the Prevention of Domestic and Sexual Violence—

- (1) Which specific agency has the authority to approve a pedestrian refuge island on:
 - (a) A road classified as “State”?
 - (b) A road classified as “Regional”?
 - (c) A road classified as under the care and control of a “Local Government Area”?
- (2) Which specific agency has the authority to approve a round-a-bout on:
 - (a) A road classified as “State”?
 - (b) A road classified as “Regional”?
 - (c) A road classified as under the care and control of a “Local Government Area”?
- (3) Which specific agency has the authority to approve a speed hump or chicane on:
 - (a) A road classified as “State”?
 - (b) A road classified as “Regional”?
 - (c) A road classified as under the care and control of a “Local Government Area”?

8172 EDUCATION AND EARLY LEARNING—NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL IN TALLAWONG—The Hon. Courtney Houssos to ask the Minister for Education and Early Learning—

- (1) Can the Minister confirm whether the new Tallawong precinct primary school will be completed by March 2023?

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