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- 0055 SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIPS—Mr Steven Chaytor to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- \*0056 GRANT OF REMISSION—Mr Steven Chaytor asked the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- (1) Under what circumstances is remission granted for the unexpired period of driving disqualification?
  - (2) How many remissions were granted in 2005?
  - (3) What were the categories of circumstances where remission was granted in 2005?
- Answer—
- (1) Remissions are only considered in extraordinary circumstances. In general the circumstances for remission need to have arisen after the penalty was imposed, and should not be a foreseeable consequence of the disqualification.
  - (2) Four.
  - (3) All remissions granted in 2005 were based on medical grounds relating to the applicant's immediate family. The relatively short period of the remaining driving disqualification period was also an important factor taken into consideration.
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- 0062 JOHN FOORD BRIDGE AT COROWA—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- \*0063 TRANSFER OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS—Mr Greg Aplin asked the Minister for Police—
- (1) Are police officers regularly diverted from core duties to act as taxi drivers in transferring juvenile offenders to and from the Juvenile Detention Centre in Wagga Wagga, some 1½ hours driving distance from Albury?
  - (2) Will you establish an alternative transfer facility to permit police to attend to normal duties in their local area command?
- Answer—
- NSW Police has advised me:
- The Department of Juvenile Justice is in the process of implementing a program to assume responsibility for most juvenile escorts across the state. On 1 July 2006 the final stage of this program will commence in the Southern Region, which encompasses Wagga Wagga and Albury.
- Following the completion of this process, police will only be required to carry out the first escort of a juvenile to a detention centre or court, with the Department of Juvenile Justice performing this duty for all subsequent journeys. These arrangements have already seen significant savings in police time across other areas of the state.
- 0064 AIRCONDITIONING FOR ALBURY ELECTORATE SCHOOLS—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- \*0065 POLICE STATION UPGRADES-ALBURY ELECTORATE—Mr Greg Aplin asked the Minister for Police—
- (1) What is the program for upgrading police stations and police accommodation in the Albury electorate?
  - (2) Will the Corowa Police Station receive priority attention?
- Answer—
- The Ministry for Police has advised me :
- (1) Albury police station has undergone works totalling over \$150,000 in the last four years including automatic gates, security enhancement, Target Action Group fitout, storage and general refurbishment. Culcairn, Henty and Walla Walla police stations/residences each received \$20-\$25,000 worth of air conditioning and security upgrades in 2004-05. A review is currently underway of Tumbarumba police station prisoner handling facilities in preparation for a future upgrade.
- Approximately \$575,000 was expended on maintenance of Albury Local Area Command police stations/residences from July to December 2005, with \$130,000 worth of significant programmed maintenance works at Albury, Culcairn, Henty and Mulwala stations in the 2005-06 financial year.
- (2) An upgrade of the Corowa police station prisoner handling facilities is being undertaken by the Department of Commerce in 2006 at an estimated cost of \$420,000.
- 0066 NEW LAVINGTON FIRE STATION—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0067 AGED CARE BEDS AT CULCAIRN MPS—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0068 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING LEASED PROPERTIES—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

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- 0071 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION—OVERTAKING LANE—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
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- 0073 HEALTH PROBLEMS AND BURN OFF—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0074 OCEAN OUTFALLS—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0075 BATEMAN'S BAY MARINA CO-OPERATIVE—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0076 IPTAAS SCHEME—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0077 SURGERY CUTBACKS—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0078 MERINGO BURNOFF—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0079 MORUYA HOSPITAL DIALYSIS UNIT—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0080 TITLE AND STRATA REVIEWS—Mr Andrew Constance to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0081 STRATHALLEN SALE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
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- 0083 MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0084 SALE OF GOULBURN RAILWAY WORKSHOPS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0085 PURCHASE OF PROPERTY—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0086 KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—

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- 0087 CONVENTION AND BUSINESS EVENT BIDS—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 0088 DONATIONS TO GOULBURN BASE HOSPITAL—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0089 BEGA AND MERIMBULA VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 0090 CLOSURE OF LEVEL CROSSING AT MARULAN—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0091 ASSESSMENT OF SPECIAL TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- \*0092 CAPITAL COUNTRY TOURISM—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson asked the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- (1) Which Councils in the Capital Country Tourism area have been approached to lodge expressions of interest in managing Capital Country Tourism following the recent resignation of the manager?
  - (2) When will a decision as to the future management of Capital Country Tourism be made?
- Answer—
- (1) Capital Country Tourism is one of the 15 NSW Regional Tourism Organisations (RTOs). RTOs are independent incorporated tourism industry bodies. While Tourism New South Wales works closely with the tourism industry via these and many other tourism industry associations the process to appoint new staff members is a responsibility of the Capital Country Tourism Board of Directors not Tourism New South Wales.
  - (2) This is a matter for the Board of Capital Country Tourism.
- 0093 HOME CARE IN GOULBURN—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0094 TOURISM MARKETING OF NSW—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 0095 CLOSURE OF DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING OFFICE AT TUMUT—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 0096 POLICE RESIDENCES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Police—
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- 0098 NSW MAJOR EVENTS BOARD—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 0099 GRAFFITI—Mr George Souris to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0100 GREYHOUND RACING—Mr George Souris to ask the Minister for Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Central Coast—
- 0101 POST SCHOOL PROGRAM—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- \*0102 HANDGUN CONTROLS—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Police—



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Noting the analysis by Professor Simon Chapman and Associate Professor Philip Alpers from the University of Sydney that shows a remarkable reduction in gun deaths in the last ten years since rapid-fire rifles and shotguns were banned:

- (1) What evidence does the NSW Government have about the role of handguns in gun deaths over the past 10 years?
- (2) What action has the NSW Government taken to:
  - (a) Prevent semi-automatic handguns from use for suicide and homicide?
  - (b) Ensure that fast draw, lightweight titanium, reduced recoil, and guns with laser sights handguns are not used for suicide and homicide?
  - (c) Ensure that replica, deactivated, converted and imitation handguns are not used for suicide and homicide?
  - (d) Ensure that handguns are safely stored?
- (3) What other action does the Government plan to take to ensure that gun deaths continue to decline?
- (4) Will the NSW Government support action proposed by the Prime Minister to prevent gun deaths?

Answer—

NSW Police has advised me:

- (1) The Australian Institute of Criminology has reported that, for the period 1996 - 2004, there have been 113 homicides in New South Wales involving the use of a handgun.
- (2)
  - (a) NSW legislation enforces a 28-day 'cooling off' period for all firearms licence applicants. This significantly reduces the opportunity for spontaneous firearm related situations. Stringent safe storage requirements are placed on each private and commercial owner of firearms and such facilities are rigorously inspected by police.
  - (b) The attributes mentioned do not contribute to the lethality of a firearm and such weapons are not considered separately from other handguns.
  - (c) Replica, deactivated and imitation handguns are not capable of firing a projectile and cannot contribute to suicide or homicide. There is no information to indicate that any 'converted' replica firearm has been used in any suicide or homicide.
  - (d) I refer the Honourable Member to parts 7 and 8 of my response to her Question on Notice No. 5855 on this subject.
- (3) NSW Police will continue to proactively investigate and prosecute persons involved in the illegal trafficking of firearms, removing the availability for them to be used in violent crimes or suicides. Efforts will also continue with the assistance of the community in identifying the location of illegal firearms, enabling police to take appropriate action to seize these weapons.
- (4) It is unclear to what proposed action this question refers. However, as advised in my detailed response to the Honourable Member's previous Question on Notice No. 4213, NSW has implemented the Prime Minister's increased controls over handguns.

\*0103 HANDGUNS AT HOME—Ms Clover Moore asked the Minister for Police—

With respect to guns that have been reported as stolen over the past five years:

- (1) How many firearms were reported stolen each year?
- (2) How many handguns were reported stolen?
- (3) How many handguns were stolen from the owners home or vehicle?
- (4) How many handguns were stolen from the owner when they had them on their person?
- (5) How many guns that were reported stolen had been stored safely, according to the requirements of gun licences?
- (6) How many guns used in criminal acts do the Government estimate have been stolen from licenced owners?
- (7) What action has the Government taken to ensure that guns are stored safely and less likely to be stolen?
- (8) What action has the Government taken to ensure that handguns in particular are stored safely and less likely to be stolen?

Answer—

The Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) analyses NSW recorded crime statistics. I suggest the Honourable Member's questions are more appropriately addressed to the Attorney General, within whose portfolio the Bureau resides.

NSW Police has advised me :

In order to determine the origin of a firearm that has been used in the commission of a crime, it must be identifiable when recovered. The bulk of recovered stolen firearms have the serial number obliterated, making it difficult to ascertain their origin. However, registered firearms held by the Security Industry since 2005 may be identified through stored Forensic Ballistic details. The Forensic Ballistic Unit advises that, to date, one recovered security industry firearm is known to have been used in the commission of an offence.

The Safe Storage Audit Project undertaken in 2003-04 entailed officers auditing 130,986 individual licensed firearm holders and over 500,000 firearms. This audit involved the sighting of each firearm, both long arms and handguns, the sighting of licences and inspection of the safe storage receptacle for each firearm category possessed. This project coincided with the statewide audit of all security companies in February 2004.

The Firearms and Regulated Industries Crime Squad also coordinates ongoing audits of Firearms Dealers to ensure safe storage requirements are being met in the commercial arena.

Category H licence holders must comply with rigorous safe storage provisions under the Firearms Act and are subject to serious penalties if breaches occur. Annual audits of safe storage facilities across all security firms in NSW also take place.

Amendments to the Security Industry Act have tightened the 'genuine need' requirements for armed security guards. This has further reduced the number of handguns in the industry.

- 0104 KIDNEY DISEASE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0105 SOUTH SYDNEY COMMUNITY AID MULTICULTURAL NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0106 SOUTH SYDNEY POLICE CITIZENS YOUTH CLUB—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 0107 LOCAL AREA COMMAND RESOURCES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0108 NEIGHBOURHOOD MANAGEMENT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 0109 DECENT HOMES STANDARD—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 0110 OIL PRODUCTION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 0111 POLICE RELATIONSHIPS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0112 CONTAINER DEPOSIT LEGISLATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0113 PET FOOD INDUSTRY REGULATION—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 0114 REDUCING GLOBAL WARMING—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0115 METROPOLITAN WATER PLAN—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra—
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- 0117 SUTHERLAND LGA RATEPAYERS—Mr Barry Collier to ask the Minister for Local Government—

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- 0121 NATIONAL TOURISM ACCREDITATION PROGRAM—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
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- 0126 SIR ERIC WOODWARD MEMORIAL SCHOOL—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0127 KEMPSEY GAOL—Mr Andrew Humpherson to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0128 CORRECTIONAL CENTRES—Mr Andrew Humpherson to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0129 WELLINGTON GAOL—Mr Andrew Humpherson to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
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- 0133 NEWCASTLE FERRY—Mr Barry O'Farrell to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
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- 0135 RAILCORP—Mr Barry O'Farrell to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0136 HOME AND COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM—UNDERSPENDING—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—

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- 0137 KING CREEK GROUP HOME—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0138 CHILD PROTECTION REGISTER—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0139 MANNING-GREAT LAKES POLICE COMMAND—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0140 BROADBAND SERVICES—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0141 VOLUNTARY REDUNDANCIES—NORTH COAST AREA HEALTH SERVICE—Mr Robert Oakeshott to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0142 POLICE MINISTERIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0143 FIREARMS OFFENCES—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0144 FIREARMS REGISTRY—DATABASE ENQUIRIES—Mr Adrian Piccoli to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0145 ROYAL NORTH SHORE HOSPITAL—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0146 EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TIMES—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0147 SPIT ROAD CLEARWAY—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0148 SECONDARY SCHOOLS—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

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- 0149 MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0150 WILLOUGHBY BUS ROUTES—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0151 WILLOUGHBY ROAD SAFETY—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0152 MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS TEAMS—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0153 CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0154 CLUBHOUSE MODELS—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- \*0155 CHILD ABUSE NOTIFICATIONS—Ms Gladys Berejiklian asked the Minister for Community Services, and Minister for Youth—

In relation to the number of child abuse cases/notifications:

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- (1) How many reports/notifications were actually appointed a care manager and case manager in 2002/2003 financial year?
- (2) How many reports/notifications were actually appointed a care manager and case manager in 2003/2004 financial year?
- (3) How many reports/notifications were actually appointed a care manager and case manager in 2004/2005 financial year?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) Information on the Department's staffing numbers and risk of harm reports are available on the Department's website and in the Department's annual reports.

\*0156 CHILD ABUSE CASE MANAGERS—Ms Gladys Berejiklian asked the Minister for Community Services, and Minister for Youth—

In relation to each Community Services Centre (CSC) across New South Wales (86 in total):

- (1) How many case managers are located at each CSC?
- (2) How many positions are currently vacant in each CSC?
- (3) What is the optimum number of case managers at each specified CSC?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) Information on staffing numbers is available in the Department's annual report.

0157 CASE MANAGERS—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Community Services, and Minister for Youth—

0158 DEVELOPMENT-WILLOUGHBY ELECTORATE—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

0159 NORTH WEST STRUCTURE PLAN—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

0160 FLASHING LIGHTS AT COLO HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—

0161 COLO HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

0162 DETNAC—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

0163 GARFIELD ROAD AND MARSDEN ROAD LIGHTS—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—

0164 RICHMOND ROAD SOUTH WINDSOR—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—

0165 PROPOSED SINGLE DECK SUBURBAN PASSENGER ROLLING STOCK—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—

0166 3801 LIMITED—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

0167 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION MANAGERS—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

0168 3801 LIMITED—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—

0169 COURT HOUSE STAFF—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—

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- 0170 COURT HOUSES IN REGIONAL NSW—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0171 EASY ACCESS FACILITIES—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0172 OLD NORTHERN ROAD OVERTAKING LANES—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0173 PITT TOWN LAGOON—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0174 PITT TOWN LAGOON PROTECTION—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0175 NGO FUNDING—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 0176 HOSPITAL CONTRACT ARRANGEMENTS—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0177 TOLL PAYMENT METHODS—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0178 MANUAL HANDLING CO-ORDINATOR—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0179 BUILDING DISPUTE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for Fair Trading, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Commerce—
- 0180 DA FEES—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0181 ROAD RULES—DIFFERING PROVISIONS—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0182 LICENCES ISSUED—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for Fair Trading, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Commerce—
- 0183 LICENSING—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for Fair Trading, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Commerce—
- 0184 LITHGOW CITY COUNCIL—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 0185 THREE TREE LODGE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Local Government—
- 0186 MEDICAL MISTAKES—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0187 BREASTSCREEN NSW—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0188 CHILVERS FIRE 2002—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0189 PACIFIC HIGHWAY WORK—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0190 RAPID ASSESSMENT TEAM—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—

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- 0191 LEGISLATION REVIEW TOURIST SITES—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 0192 NSCC AHS DENTISTS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0193 DETACHED PERSONS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- \*0194 HORNSBY CCTV—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Police—
- Will the State Government provide funding to assist with the installation of CCTV in Station Street, Hornsby and Hornsby Mall?
- Answer—
- The installation of closed circuit television cameras is a matter for the Council.
- 0195 BUS CONTRACT—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0196 MARSDEN CENTRE—ACCUSATIONS AGAINST WORKERS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0197 JOHN WILLIAMS CENTRE SALE—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0198 ELECTIVE SURGERY—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- \*0199 KU-RING-GAI LAC—Mrs Judy Hopwood asked the Minister for Police—
- How many new police graduates will be allocated to the Ku-ring-gai local area command?
- Answer—
- NSW Police has advised me :
- No probationary constables have been allocated to Kuring-Gai Local Area Command from the latest graduating class. However, the North West Metropolitan Region, which includes Kuring-Gai, has gained 27 new officers following the attestation of 153 graduates on 5 May 2006.
- 0200 WHALES—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 0201 RTA REASSESSMENT OF INTERSECTIONS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0202 STATE SIGNIFICANT PROJECTS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0203 RAILWAY RUBBISH—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0204 ANTI-SMOKING PROGRAMS—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0205 CITIZENSHIP CEREMONIES—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0206 ASSISTANCE TO COMMUNITY GROUPS—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0207 CITIZENSHIP PUBLICATIONS—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—

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- 0208 CITIZENSHIP INITIATIVES PROGRAMS—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0209 CITIZENSHIP COURSES—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0210 NATIONAL PACKAGING COVENANT—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0211 CIVIC AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION FORUM—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 0212 DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0213 BUCKET CAR WASHING—ELDERLY PEOPLE—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0214 ABORIGINAL STUDENTS—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0215 RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT—GREAT WESTERN HIGHWAY—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0216 DEVELOPMENT PLANS—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0217 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL LANDOWNERS—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0218 STREET NAMES—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0219 TRANSITWAY REPORT—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0220 NON-PAYMENT FOR PETROL—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0221 WAGGA WAGGA LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Ian Armstrong to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0222 COOTAMUNDRA LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Ian Armstrong to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0223 LACHLAN LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Ian Armstrong to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0224 GRIFFITH LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Ian Armstrong to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0225 UNSOLVED DEATHS IN COWRA—Mr Ian Armstrong to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0226 RETIREMENT VILLAGES ACT—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for Fair Trading, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Commerce—
- 0227 TOURISM SIGNAGE IN SYDNEY—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 0228 TUMUT HOSPITAL—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0229 SCHOOL BUSES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0230 SIGNAGE AT HORNSBY RAILWAY STATION CAR PARK—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—



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- 0231 PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0232 WESTLEIGH PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0233 PRISON ASSAULTS—Mr Andrew Humpherson to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0234 LONG BAY HOSPITAL—Mr Andrew Humpherson to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0235 BASIX—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0236 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PROPERTIES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 0237 REDFERN INNER CITY HOME SUPPORT SERVICES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0238 ALCOHOL-RELATED CRIME—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0239 CIVIL UNIONS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0240 TRANS FAT—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0241 T-CARD TICKETING—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0242 TENANT INCENTIVE SCHEMES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 0243 CYCLING FUNDS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0244 SECURITY STATISTICS—Mr Barry O'Farrell to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0245 WARRAWEE PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Barry O'Farrell to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 0246 HAWKESBURY FLOOD EVACUATION ROUTE—Mr Steven Pringle to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0247 RTA WEBSITE—Mr Andrew Stoner to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0248 MOORAL CREEK PROPERTY—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Western Sydney, Minister for Fair Trading, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Commerce—
- 0249 PALLIATIVE CARE—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—

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- 0250 DRIVER EDUCATION—Mr Russell Turner to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0251 ABORIGINAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0252 KELSO HIGH SCHOOL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 0253 ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES VISITS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0254 ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES SCHOOL VISITS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0255 ABORIGINAL STUDENT ACCOMMODATION COSTS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 0256 ABORIGINAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY GROUPS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0257 DISABILITY TRANSPORT SCHEME—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 0258 INDIGENOUS STAFF—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0259 ABORIGINAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0260 DISMISSAL OF FREDERICK TZEENGANKOFF—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- 0261 DEFINITION OF "MOB"—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 0262 MOUNT DRUITT SCHOOLS—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 0263 PROSTHETICS UNIT—ALBURY—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0264 SCHOOL SECURITY FENCING—ALBURY—Mr Greg Aplin to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- 0265 BIODIESEL FUELS IN BUS FLEET—Mr David Barr to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0266 COMMUNITY FIRE UNITS—Ms Gladys Berejiklian to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts representing the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 0267 PITTWATER ROAD FLASHING LIGHTS—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0268 NATIONAL TOURISM ACCREDITATION PROGRAM—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 0269 TUMUT HOSPITAL—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0270 MEDICAL IMAGING—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—

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- 0271 SCHOOL STUDENT TRANSPORT SCHEME—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0272 3801 LOCOMOTIVE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0273 HOUSING MAINTENANCE—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 0274 FEDERAL FUNDS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0275 FEDERAL FUNDING TO CSTDA—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0276 DADHC FUNDING—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0277 COST OF REPORT INTO SCHOOL SPEED ZONES—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0278 REVIEW OF SYDNEY REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY 17 KURNELL—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0279 DUPLICATION OF CRONULLA RAILWAY LINE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0280 TRAFFIC LIGHTS—GYMEA—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0281 UPGRADE OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- 0282 CAPTAIN COOK'S LANDING PLACE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0283 DETACHED PERSONS—SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0284 MEDICAL MISTAKES—SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0285 STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT—SUTHERLAND SHIRE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0286 SUPPORTED ACCOMMODATION PLACES—Mr Daryl Maguire to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- 0287 MENTAL HEALTH ACCESS LINE—Mr Donald Page to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 0288 WATER SHARING PLAN FOR SHOALHAVEN—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—

- 0289 SOLITARY ISLAND MARINE PARK—Mr Michael Richardson to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 0290 PROFESSOR JONATHAN WEST—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 0291 REVENUE—"PLANFIRST" LEVY—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0292 PICTON RAILWAY STATION—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 0293 BOWRAL POLICE STATION—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Minister for Police—
- 0294 LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLANS—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 0295 HUNTER NEW ENGLAND AREA HEALTH SERVICE HOSPITALS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0296 SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY AREA HEALTH SERVICE HOSPITALS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0297 GREATER SOUTHERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE HOSPITALS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Health—
- 0298 ESL POSITIONS IN SCHOOLS—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Education and Training—

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- 0299 ALSTONVILLE BYPASS PROJECT—Mr Donald Page to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- (1) How long does the existing Ministerial approval for the Alstonville Bypass remain current?
  - (2) What conditions need to be met to keep the Ministerial approval current?
  - (3) Under what circumstances would it be necessary to do a new EIS because of delays in construction?
- 0300 OMBUDSMAN'S REPORTS INTO COMPLAINTS—Mr Donald Page to ask the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- (1) When will the Ombudsman's Report(s) into complaints handling at the University of NSW be published?
  - (2) Will the report deal with:
    - (a) The Bruce Hall matter?
    - (b) The Educational Testing Centre (ETC)?
    - (c) The retirement of Dr John Carmody (elected member of UNSW Council) as a consequence of making comments about the Bruce Hall matter and the appointment of Dr Stan Bowen-James to the position of General Manager of the ETC?
  - (3) Why has there been such a long delay in the publication of the final report, given the draft Ombudsman's report was circulated in May 2005?
  - (4) Is the UNSW being co-operative with the Ombudsman's office in bringing these matters to a conclusion?
  - (5) Can the Premier request from the UNSW (possibly via the Ombudsman) what the bill for legal advice (both in house and external lawyers) is for the UNSW in defending UNSW employees and ex-employees?
  - (6) Have any NSW Government agencies been involved in defending or assisting present or past UNSW employees in relation to the issues arising from the draft Ombudsman's report?

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- 0301 DOG WALKING RESTRICTION—Mr Donald Page to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- (1) Are you aware the Operational and Zoning Plans for the Cape Byron Marine Park restrict the dog exercise area at Brunswick Heads to a mere 500 meters along the beach south of the Surf Lifesaving Club?
  - (2) Does this reduction of this area from one kilometre to 500 meters constitute an unreasonable restriction given the popularity of walking dogs on the beach?
  - (3) What is the rationale for reducing this dog exercise area so significantly?
  - (4) How does this reduction of the area where dogs can be exercised improve the plight of the Grey Nurse shark?
- 0302 DETNAC STAFF—Mr Donald Page to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- (1) Has the New South Wales Department of Education and Training been successful in retaining the Federal Government's New Apprenticeship Centre contract?
  - (2) If the Department of Education and Training has not been successful, why was the contract lost?
  - (3) What are the implications for Department of Education and Training New Apprenticeship Centre (DETNAC) staff if the contract were to be lost?
- 0303 LAND TAX—Mr Donald Page to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- (1) Why does the Government require business owners whose business is located on the same property as their principal place of residence to pay land tax?
  - (2) Does application of the land tax system to small businesses operating from homes in New South Wales act as an extra impost on struggling small businesses, especially in coastal areas where property values are high and well above the threshold?
  - (3) Will you reform the land tax system to exempt businesses run from a principal place of residence from land tax liability?
- 0304 SWIFT MT 799 CERTIFICATES—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- (1) Does the NSW Treasury have a policy on the issuing of SWIFT MT 799 certificates?
  - (2) If so, what is the policy?
  - (3) Have any such certificates been issued in the past?
  - (4) If so, for what sort of projects and what approximate value?
- 0305 INFORMATION CENTRES—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- (1) What is the function of New South Wales State and Public Information Centres?
  - (2) Where are they located and at what addresses?
  - (3) How many staff are involved in these centres?
  - (4) What are the annual staff costs of these services?
  - (5) What is the cost of set up of these services?
  - (6) What was the cost of office refit and information technology installation?
- 0306 SICK LEAVE—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- How many days of sick leave have been taken by employees of the Department of Planning from:
- (a) 1 September 2005 to 31 December 2005; and
  - (b) 1 January 2006 to 30 April 2006?
- 0307 SICK LEAVE—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- How many days of sick leave have been taken by employees of Sydney Water in the period 1 July 2005 to 31 December 2005?
- 0308 CLINICAL SERVICES PLAN—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Health—

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- (1) When will the promised Clinical Services Plan be released for public consultation?  
 (2) When will the consultants on the draft plan inspect the 1000 responses to the local health survey?  
 (3) What is the cost of the consultancy work on the production of the draft Clinical Services Plan?  
 (4) What is being done to ensure that one renal dialysis chair will be operational at Bowral Hospital before the end of the year?
- 0309 BOWRAL HOSPITAL STAFF CONSULTATION—Ms Peta Seaton to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Health—
- (1) Why did senior area health officials forbid the conduct of a survey of Bowral Hospital medical and nursing staff's opinions about health service priorities?  
 (2) Will you overturn this ruling and allow the member for Southern Highlands to circulate such a survey, as requested by staff?
- 0310 ANTI CIGARETTE BUTT LITTERING—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- What is the current attitude of the Department of Environment and Conservation to sponsorship by the tobacco industry of programs which target cigarette butt littering?
- 0311 INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION IMPACT ON WHALE WATCHING—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- (1) What representations have you made to your Federal counterpart concerning the possibility of the International Whaling Commission (IWC) dismantling the laws that protect whales and preparing the way for the full resumption of commercial whaling?  
 (2) What impacts will the resumption of commercial whaling have on this State's whale watching industry?
- 0312 TOONGAGAL CLAN—Ms Pam Allan to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- What efforts can your Department make to recognise the legacy of the Toongagal Clan in the electorate of Wentworthville?
- 0313 HERITAGE REGISTER—Mr Richard Amery to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- (1) Has Braidwood become the first town on the east coast of Australia to be listed on the State Heritage Register?  
 (2) What other towns in Australia are on the Heritage Register or list?  
 (3) What is the process for a town to apply for Heritage Listing?  
 (4) Are there other applications from communities to have a town listed on the Register in New South Wales?  
 (5) If so, what towns are being considered?
- 0314 WATTLE GROVE SCHOOL—Mr Brad Hazzard to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- (1) Are there any plans to build a new high school at Wattle Grove?  
 (2) If so, what are they?  
 (3) Are there any plans to purchase land on Anzac Road in Holsworthy from the Department of Defence to build a new school?
- 0315 WATER SAVING MEASURES—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- (1) Which toilets in public schools in Goulburn have had their cisterns modified to dual flush to assist with the implementation of Goulburn Mulwaree Council's level five water restrictions?  
 (2) What other water saving measures has the NSW Department of Education and Training implemented in Goulburn?
- 0316 GIRL SAVVY PROGRAM—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—

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- (1) Is the NSW Office for Women still funding the "Girl Savvy" one-day workshops at NSW high schools?
- (2) If so, when will the next workshops be held in Goulburn, Yass, Boorowa, Crookwell, Gundagai, Bowral, Tumut, Young, Cootamundra, Harden, Cowra and Grenfell?
- 0317 GSAHS HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL—Ms Katrina Hodgkinson to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Health—
- (1) Have you replaced Dr Bob Byrne following his resignation as head of the GSAHS Advisory Council?
- (2) If so, who is his replacement?
- (3) What actions have you taken to address the reasons for Dr Byrne's resignation, which include large workload and frustration at the slow pace of progress in improving clinical services and fixing the service's financial problems?
- 0318 ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- When will the security fencing at Asquith Boys High School be completed along the length of Jersey Street?
- 0319 WEED AND PEST PROGRAMS—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- (1) Does Berowra Valley Regional Park have:
- (a) proper weed programs?
- (b) pest control programs?
- (2) Does Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park have:
- (a) proper weed programs?
- (b) pest control programs?
- 0320 ALLERGY TRAINING—Mrs Judy Hopwood to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Health—
- (1) Have all the teachers and staff in primary and secondary public schools in the Hornsby electorate had training in allergies and anaphylaxis?
- (2) If not, which schools have not had training?
- (3) When will these schools be provided with this education?
- 0321 SNOWY HYDRO SALE—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- How much money has the Government spent to date on the now cancelled Snowy Hydro Limited sale?
- 0322 LINE DUPLICATION MEETINGS—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- (1) How many public meetings have been held concerning the duplication of Cronulla Railway line?
- (2) How many people attended each of these meetings?
- 0323 MIRANDA LOCAL AREA COMMAND—Mr Malcolm Kerr to ask the Minister for Police—
- How many additional police will be located in the Miranda Local Area Command between 6 June 2006 and 30 August 2006?
- 0324 SPEED SIGNS—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- Why won't the RTA erect 40 km signs and impose a 40 km speed limit on the Windsor Road, Baulkham Hills outside Our Lady of Lourdes School?
- 0325 CLASS SIZES—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- (1) Has the Government introduced a reduction in class sizes program to reduce class sizes to an average of:

- (a) 20 for kindergarten?  
(b) 22 for year one?  
(c) 24 for year two?
- (2) How much money has been spent on this program for schools in Baulkham Hills electorate?  
(3) What schools have benefited from the program in the Baulkham Hills electorate?  
(4) What money was allocated in the 2006-07 financial year?  
(5) On what school(s) will this money be spent?
- 0326 CRESTWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL—Mr Wayne Merton to ask the Minister for Education and Training—
- (1) What steps are being taken to upgrade the Crestwood Public School toilets?  
(2) Is this work included in the recent budget allocations?
- 0327 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PROPERTIES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- With regard to Department of Housing properties in Woolloomooloo and Millers Point:
- (1) How many residential and commercial properties does the Department of Housing own in Woolloomooloo?  
(2) How many of these properties have been vacant for more than one month in 2006?  
(3) How many properties in Woolloomooloo has the Department of Housing sold:  
(a) In the July 2005 to June 2006 financial year?  
(b) Since March 2003?  
(4) How many of these Department of Housing properties in Woolloomooloo does the Government intend to sell:  
(a) In the July 2006 to June 2007 financial year?  
(b) Before 30 June, 2011?  
(5) How many residential and commercial properties does the Department of Housing own in Millers Point?  
(6) How many of these properties have been vacant for more than one month in 2006?  
(7) How many properties in Millers Point has the Department of Housing sold:  
(a) In the July 2005 to June 2006 financial year?  
(b) Since March 2003?  
(8) How many of these Department of Housing properties in Millers Point does the Government intend to sell:  
(a) In the July 2006 to June 2007 financial year?  
(b) Before 30 June, 2011?
- 0328 NATURAL GAS BUSES—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- With regard to the social, economic and environmental comparisons between natural gas and diesel powered buses:
- (1) Is the Government aware that natural gas offers a net 20 percent advantage over diesel in terms of greenhouse gas emissions?  
(2) Is the Government aware that natural gas generates significantly less fine particle pollution than diesel?  
(3) Is the Government aware that diesel generates more pollutants such as hydrocarbon residues and nitrogen oxides than natural gas?  
(4) What action has the Government taken about noise pollution from diesel buses, following the Waverley Council study that showed diesel buses are considerably louder than natural gas buses?  
(5) What impact does the Government expect on the cost of diesel buses as a result of the increased cost of crude oil from US\$30 a barrel to US\$50 a barrel over a short period, and the expected continued increases in the cost of oil?  
(6) What is the comparable impact on the price of natural gas buses, given that gas prices have only increased at about the same rate as the CPI?  
(7) What research has the Government undertaken to look at the medium and long-term economic impacts of limited supply and import parity pricing of crude oil on the cost of diesel buses, and what does this research show?  
(8) Will the Government review the social, economic and environmental impacts of natural gas compared to diesel buses for the medium to long-term?



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- (9) How does the Government consider comparative environmental factors such as greenhouse gas emissions, fine particle pollution, nitrous oxides emissions, hydrocarbon residues, and noise pollution associated with diesel and natural gas when making purchasing decisions for buses?
- (10) Will the Government purchase diesel or natural gas buses in future?
- 0329 MANAGEMENT OF FERAL ANIMALS—Ms Clover Moore to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- With respect to feral animals on public lands:
- (1) Is the Government aware of the Western Shield Programme implemented in Western Australia in 1996?
  - (2) Is the Government aware that Western Australia is the only area in the world where three mammals the tamar wallaby, the quenda and the woylie have been taken off the endangered fauna list because of successful scientific management action?
  - (3) What measures has the New South Wales Government taken to assess the relevance of a similar programme to assist in the control of feral animal populations?
  - (4) What research has the New South Wales Government carried out or commissioned on humane control of feral animals?
  - (5) Will the Government assess more humane control measures for feral animals on public lands such as the use of the naturally occurring poison 1080?
- 0330 LANE COVE NATIONAL PARK AREA OFFICE—Mr Barry O'Farrell to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- (1) Is the Lane Cove National Park Area office to be relocated from existing buildings to within Jenkins Hall?
  - (2) Were staff currently located in the existing Area Office previously moved out of accommodation in Jenkins Hall? If so, in what year?
  - (3) Is the estimated budget associated with the move of these staff back into Jenkins Hall in excess of \$300,000? If not, what are the total costs?
  - (4) Is the staff's union opposed to the move? If so, will NPWS press ahead with these plans in the face of staff and union opposition?
  - (5) Were those volunteer groups previously operating the bat and bush display, herbarium and information display in Jenkins Hall told they would be provided with accommodation within the Hall when renovations were completed?
  - (6) Is it now proposed these volunteer groups be relocated to the offices currently occupied by the area staff?
  - (7) If this relocation of volunteer groups proceeds, does NPWS intend to provide any funds to assist in meeting the day to day operating costs associated with these offices? If not, why not?
- 0331 TARBAN CREEK TESTING—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- How many water quality tests have been conducted by the EPA at Tarban Creek, Hunters Hill, by year, for the years 1995-2006, inclusive?
- 0332 LANE COVE RIVER TESTING—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- How many water quality tests have been conducted by the EPA at the Lane Cove River for the years 1995-2006 inclusive?
- 0333 TUNNEL FILTRATION COST—Mr Anthony Roberts to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Roads—
- (1) What is the Government's cost estimate to filter the Lane Cove tunnel?
  - (2) How was this cost figure arrived at?
- 0334 NEONATAL COTS—Mrs Jillian Skinner to ask the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer) representing the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many neonatal intensive care and special care cots are there in NSW hospitals?
- (2) (a) Does the Department of Health maintain records of the number of neonatal intensive care cots and ventilator neonatal intensive care cots in each NSW public hospital?
- (b) If not, why not?
- (3) (a) Are data kept about how many are and are not being utilised?
- (b) If not, why not?
- (4) If so, which NSW public hospital facilities were equipped with neonatal intensive care cots and how many as at 30 June in each year commencing 1995 and up to and including 2005?
- (5) Which public hospital facilities were equipped with ventilator neonatal intensive care cots as at 30 June in each year commencing 1995 and up to and including 2005?
- 0335 BUDGET ALLOCATIONS TO MYALL LAKES—Mr John Turner to ask the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Commerce, Minister for Finance, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Vice President of the Executive Council—
- (1) With respect to Budget Paper No. 4 of the 2006-2007 State Budget at pages 74, 75 and 76 where the following entries appear:
- Department of Commerce:
- Government Radio Network - various
  - Information System Enhancements - various
- Department of Ageing, Disability and Home Care:
- Asset Rationalisation - various
  - Group Homes for Children - various
  - Group Homes for New Clients - various
  - Modification of Group Homes (Safety and Compliance) - various
  - Upgrade of Respite Centres - various
- What is the amount for each heading that will be allocated to the electorate of Myall Lakes?
- (2) With reference to Budget Paper No. 4 at page 76 where there is reference to a minor works program for the Home Care Service of New South Wales and Motor Accident Authority:
- What are the amounts in the minor works program that will be allocated to the Myall Lakes electorate under each heading?
- 0336 BUDGET ALLOCATIONS TO MYALL LAKES—Mr John Turner to ask the Minister for Community Services, and Minister for Youth—
- (1) With respect to Budget Paper No. 4 of 2006-2007 State Budget where at page 77 the following entry appears:
- Caseworker Accommodation - various:
- What is the amount that will be allocated to the Myall Lakes electorate under this entry?
- (2) With reference to the following entry which appears on the same page:
- The following agencies have a minor works program only.
- Office for Children and NSWBusinesslink
- How much is allocated under the minor works program mentioned above to the electorate of Myall Lakes?
- 0337 BUDGET ALLOCATIONS TO MYALL LAKES—Mr John Turner to ask the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- In Budget Papers No. 4 of the 2006/2007 State Budget at page 67, the following entries appear:
- Establish Newly Acquired Parks - various
  - Infrastructure Improvement in National Parks - various
  - Land Acquisition - Open Spaces - various
  - Land Purchases - Funded by Grants and Donations - various
  - New Parks in Hunter Valley - various
  - Pest, Weed and Animal Control - various
- What is the amount for each heading that will be allocated to the electorate of Myall Lakes?

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- 0338 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING—ORANGE—Mr Russell Turner to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1) How many properties are owned by the Department of Housing in Orange?
  - (2) What is the gross annual rental on all the Department of Housing properties in Orange?
  - (3) What is the annual maintenance budget on these properties for:
    - (a) 2005-06;
    - (b) 2004-05;
    - (c) 2003-04?
  - (4) How many tenants were evicted from Department of Housing properties in Orange in:
    - (a) 2005;
    - (b) 2004;
    - (c) 2003?
  - (5) How many have been evicted or have been given notice to leave in 2006?
- 0339 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PROPERTIES-ORANGE—Mr Russell Turner to ask the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1) How many properties are owned by the Department of Housing in Orange?
  - (2) How many properties owned by the Department of Housing in Orange were vacant as at 31 May 2006?
  - (3) Of those vacancies, how many have been vacant for one month or longer?
  - (4) How many vacant blocks does the Department of Housing own in Orange?
  - (5) Were all those vacant blocks previously occupied by a home owned by the Department of Housing?
  - (6) If not, how many homes in Orange have been burnt or otherwise damaged and declared uninhabitable in the past 10 years?
  - (7) Does the Department of Housing continue to have a policy of selling housing stock to private owners?
  - (8) If yes, how many homes were sold in 2005?
- 0340 GLOBAL INFORMATION SYSTEM MAP LAYER—Mr Russell Turner to ask the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra representing the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- (1) Has the State a completed Global Information System (GIS) map layer showing all the farm boundaries and the contact details for the individual people responsible for those farms that would be vital to help manage the State's emergency response to a disease outbreak e.g. bird flu?
  - (2) If not, when will such a map be available?
  - (3) What percentage of the State's farms can be identified by PICs (Property Identification Code)?
  - (4) Has the State a completed GIS map layer showing all the PIC farm boundaries and the contact details for the individual people responsible for those PIC farms that would be vital to help manage the State's emergency response to a disease outbreak e.g. BSE?
  - (5) If not, when will such a map be available?