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*207 HEALTH—NSW HEALTH STUDIES INTO HOSPITAL RESOURCES—Mrs Pavey asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) Did NSW Health pay KPMG to conduct a study from July to September 2006 on the needs of health professionals at Dubbo Base Hospital?
 - (a) If so, how much has been paid by NSW Health to KPMG in relation to this study? (Please provide figure).
 - (b) If so, how much will NSW Health pay to KPMG in total in relation to this study? (Please provide figure).
 - (c) Will the report be made publicly available?
 - (i) If so, when?
 - (ii) If not, why not?
 - (d) What were the recommendations of the report of the study into Dubbo Base Hospital, handed down in September this year?
 - (e) What plans does the Government have to act on the recommendations of this report?
- (2) Were similar studies into the needs of health professionals and resources at hospitals, commissioned by NSW Health, conducted around the State?
 - (a) If so, at which hospitals did these studies occur? (Please provide the names of the relevant hospitals).
 - (b) How much is it estimated that each study will cost in total? (Please provide figure for each study).

Answer—

- (1) and (2) The Clinical Services Redesign Program was foreshadowed in the 2004-05 annual report. All projects were funded through the Clinical Services Redesign Program, approved by Treasury in May 2005. This program provides \$70 million over three years and focuses on the redesign of patient journeys by front line clinical staff and patients and health consumer representatives to make each patient journey smooth, safe and of the highest quality.

I refer the member to publicly available information in annual reports and the Hansard.

*208 HOUSING—CONSULTANTS' REPORTS LISTED IN ANNUAL REPORT—Ms Hale asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

- (1) Are copies of the following consultants' reports, as listed in the Department of Housing's Annual Report of 2004-05, publicly available:
 - (a) Ward Bisset Consulting and Counselling: Affordable Housing Memorandum of Understanding and Delivery Strategy, ADI Site St Marys?
 - (b) The Clifton Group: Bonnyrigg Living Communities Project?
 - (c) Alt Beatty Consulting: Community Involvement?
 - (d) Property Beyond Pty Ltd: Minto Regeneration Feasibility Analysis?
- (2) If so, where are these reports able to be obtained from?
- (3) If not, why not?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) These reports were commissioned as internal management reports to assist and inform the department's senior management in relation to particular projects, and contain information which may no longer be current.

*209 HOUSING—BILLING FOR WATER USAGE—Ms Hale asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

- (1)
 - (a) Does the amount of money collected by the Department of Housing (DoH) from tenants for water exceed the amount it costs the Department for water?
 - (b) If so, why?
- (2) How much interest has the Department generated from money for water collected from tenants and held in the DoH's accounts since the policy of charging tenants for water began?
- (3)
 - (a) When tenants receive a credit on their water bills in November 2006 for any surplus amount they have paid for water, will they also receive an interest dividend?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (4) Is the Department planning to fit water meters in non-metered premises?

Answer—

- (1)
 - (a) No.
 - (b) Not applicable.
- (2) The department pays water authorities before it seeks reimbursement from tenants, so in fact earns no additional interest.
- (3)
 - (a) No.
 - (b) See answer to question (2).
- (4) The department installs separate water meters in new properties wherever practical.

*210 HOUSING—CHECKS FOR UNAUTHORISED OCCUPANTS BY POLICE—Ms Hale asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

- (1) Has the Department of Housing (DoH) been sending police with departmental officers to knock on the door of DoH houses to check for unauthorised occupants?
- (2) Why are the police being involved in routine departmental checks and policy/civil law matters?
- (3) In what areas or estates have the police been carrying out these checks?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) The Department of Housing does not as a matter of course send Police with staff to check for unauthorised occupants.

*211 HOUSING—ELECTORAL DONATIONS FROM FORMER HOUSING MINISTER—Ms Hale asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

- (1) Has the Minister accepted, or will be accepting, any more electoral donations from Mr. Tripodi prior to the conclusion of the Independent Commission Against Corruption inquiry?
- (2) Has the Minister received any further donations from Mr. Tripodi in addition to the one noted by the State Electoral Office (SEO) in 2003, that have not yet been published by the SEO?
- (3) If so, when were the donation(s) received and for what amounts were they?

Answer—

- (1) to (3) All donations received are recorded and disclosed in compliance with the NSW Election Funding Act and related regulations.

*212 TREASURER—NSW BUDGET COMMENTARY ON HOUSING POLICY—Ms Hale asked the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—

The 2005-06 New South Wales Budget Commentary on the Housing Policy and Assistance Program stated that, in addition to matching funds under the Commonwealth State Housing Agreement, the State Government would provide additional funding to the Department of Housing that included \$20 million "as the first payment of \$190 million being provided over four years as enhancement funding to support the Department's working capital requirements". The 2006-07 Budget Commentary on the Housing Policy and Assistance Program reported an allocation of \$25 million for the same purpose. With this enhancement funding totalling only \$45 million in the first two years of the sustainability package, will the outstanding \$145 million be allocated in the next two years' budgets?

Answer—

I am advised: This question should be directed to the Minister for Housing.

*213 HEALTH—HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT WOODVILLE ROAD, PARRAMATTA—Ms Hale asked the Minister for Health—

(1)

(a) Has the Department of Health assessed the likely health impacts of particulate matter (pm 10 and pm 2.5) which may affect residents in new developments at Woodville Road, Parramatta?

(b) If not, why not?

(2) Following the claim that many Sydneysiders may die prematurely from air pollution every year, should residential housing be allowed to be constructed next to major thoroughfares such as Woodville Road and other similar heavy traffic corridors?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) The development referred to in the member's question is a local development under the jurisdiction of Parramatta City Council and, as such, it is not required that the Department of Health be consulted.

*214 PLANNING—HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AT WOODVILLE ROAD, PARRAMATTA—Ms Hale asked the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

(1)

(a) Has the Department of Planning assessed the likely health impacts of particulate matter (pm 10 and pm 2.5) which may affect residents in new developments at Woodville Road, Parramatta?

(b) If not, why not?

(2) Following the claim that many Sydneysiders may die prematurely from air pollution every year, should residential housing be allowed to be constructed next to major thoroughfares such as Woodville Road and other similar heavy traffic corridors?

Answer—

(1)

(a) and (b) I am advised that the Department of Planning has not received any Development Applications for a new housing development at Woodville Road, Parramatta.

(2) Development proposals are assessed in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

*216 HEALTH—NORTH COAST AREA HEALTH SERVICE CREDITORS—Ms Parker asked the Minister for Health—

With regard to the North Coast Area Health Service creditors as at 1 October 2006, 30 June 2006, 30 June 2005, 30 June 2004, and 30 June 2003:

(1) What was the total value of creditors that were current? For example, less than 45 days old.

(2) What was the total value of creditors that were between 0 and 45 days overdue? For example,

between 45 and 90 days old.

- (3) What was the total value of creditors that were between 45 and 135 days old days overdue? For example, between 90 and 180 days old.
- (4) What was the total value of creditors that were over 135 days old overdue? For example, greater than 180 days old.
- (5) What was the total value of creditors?

Please use the below format when answering the above questions:

Date	Current	Between 45 and 90 days old	Between 90 and 180 days old	Over 180 days old	Total Creditors
1 October 2006					
30 June 2006					
30 June 2005					
30 June 2004					
30 June 2003					

Answer—

I am advised:

Financial information for the North Coast Area Health Service is reported in the area's annual reports. Figures for the financial year ending 30 June 2007 will not be published until the 2006-07 financial year accounts are completed.

- *217 HEALTH—HUNTER NEW ENGLAND AREA HEALTH SERVICE CREDITORS—Ms Parker asked the Minister for Health—

With regard to the Hunter New England Area Health Service creditors as at 1 October 2006, 30 June 2006, 30 June 2005, 30 June 2004, and 30 June 2003:

- (1) What was the total value of creditors that were current? For example, less than 45 days old.
- (2) What was the total value of creditors that were between 0 and 45 days overdue? For example, between 45 and 90 days old.
- (3) What was the total value of creditors that were between 45 and 135 days old days overdue? For example, between 90 and 180 days old.
- (4) What was the total value of creditors that were over 135 days old overdue? For example, greater than 180 days old.
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Date	Current	Between 45 and 90 days old	Between 90 and 180 days old	Over 180 days old	Total Creditors
1 October 2006					
30 June 2006					
30 June 2005					
30 June 2004					
30 June 2003					

Answer—

I am advised:

Financial information for the Hunter New England Area Health Service are reported in the area's annual reports. Figures for the 2006-07 financial year will be published when that year's accounts are completed.

- *218 COMMERCE—WORKCOVER INVESTIGATIONS OF NSW CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES—Mr Lynn asked 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)
 (a) Has the WorkCover Authority of NSW investigated any New South Wales correctional facilities

- since 1 July 2003 for any breaches of the law and/or regulations?
- (b) If so, which facilities have been investigated?
- (2)
- (a) Has the WorkCover Authority of NSW prosecuted or commenced prosecution of any New South Wales correctional facilities since 1 July 2003 for any breaches of the law and/or regulations?
- (b) If so, which facilities?
- (3) What is the total value of fines levied against New South Wales correctional facilities for breaches of the law and/or regulations since 1 July 2003?

Answer—

- (1) Since 1 July 2003, WorkCover has investigated Courts and administrative facilities as well as specific correctional centres at which Corrective Services staff work or share facilities. WorkCover investigations have included facilities at Silverwater, Bathurst, Sydney, Parklea, Lithgow, Campbelltown, Queanbeyan, Berrima, Batemans Bay, Wollongong, South Windsor, Cessnock, Muswellbrook, Malabar, Tamworth, Bonnyrigg, Parramatta, Tumut, Port Macquarie, Coffs Harbour, Emu Plains, Wagga Wagga, Hornsby, Glenn Innes, Cooma and Eastwood.
- (2) No.
- (3) There have been two Judgments on matters where the prosecution commenced prior to 1 July 2003. Total fines awarded in those matters amount to approximately \$100,000.

*219 JUSTICE—WORKCOVER INVESTIGATIONS OF NSW CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

- (1)
- (a) Has the WorkCover Authority of NSW investigated any New South Wales correctional facilities since 1 July 2003 for any breaches of the law and/or regulations?
- (b) If so, which facilities have been investigated?
- (2)
- (a) Has the WorkCover Authority of NSW prosecuted or commenced prosecution of any New South Wales correctional facilities since 1 July 2003 for any breaches of the law and/or regulations?
- (b) If so, which facilities?
- (3) What is the total value of fines levied against New South Wales correctional facilities for breaches of the law and/or regulations since 1 July 2003?

Answer—

- (1)
- (a) Yes.
- (b) In regard to correctional centres, improvement notices have been issued in respect of Goulburn Correctional Centre (November 2003), Glen Innes Correctional Centre (March 2004), Parramatta Correctional Centre (July and August 2004), Junee Correctional Centre (December 2004), Tamworth Correctional Centre (May 2005) and Parklea Correctional Centre (September 2006). Departmental records do not indicate any investigation that does not result in an improvement notice.
- (2)
- (a) Yes.
- (b) Fines were issued in respect of the Metropolitan Remand and Reception Centre (MRRC) in December 2003 for an incident that occurred in 2001 and in respect of the John Morony Correctional Centre in July 2005 for an incident that occurred in February 2003. I am advised that a prosecution is pending for the operator of the Junee Correctional Centre in respect of the incident referred to in answer (1)(b).
- (3) \$101,100.

*220 COMMERCE—WORKCOVER INVESTIGATIONS OF NSW JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITIES—Mr Lynn asked 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)

- (a) Has the WorkCover Authority of NSW investigated any New South Wales juvenile justice facilities since 1 July 2003 for any breaches of the law and/or regulations?
- (b) If so, which facilities have been investigated?

(2)

- (a) Has the WorkCover Authority of NSW prosecuted or commenced prosecution of any New South Wales juvenile justice facilities since 1 July 2003 for any breaches of the law and/or regulations?
- (b) If so, which facilities?

(3) What is the total value of fines levied against New South Wales juvenile justice facilities for breaches of the law and/or regulations since 1 July 2003?

Answer—

- (1) Since 1 July 2003, WorkCover has been undertaken investigations involving Department of Juvenile Justice facilities at Acmena Juvenile Justice Centre, Cobham Juvenile Justice Centre, Frank Baxter Juvenile Justice Centre, Reiby Juvenile Justice Centre, Department of Juvenile Justice Office at Tamworth, Bidura Children's Court, Department of Juvenile Justice Office at Islington and Yasmar Detention Centre.
- (2) No.
- (3) There were two incidents at Kariong Juvenile Justice Centre where the prosecution commenced prior to 1 July 2003. The Industrial Court delivered judgment on 2 February 2006. Total fines awarded amount to \$165,000.

*221 JUSTICE, JUVENILE JUSTICE—WORKCOVER INVESTIGATIONS OF NSW JUVENILE JUSTICE FACILITIES—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

(1)

- (a) Has the WorkCover Authority of NSW investigated any New South Wales juvenile justice facilities since 1 July 2003 for any breaches of the law and/or regulations?
- (b) If so, which facilities have been investigated?

(2)

- (a) Has the WorkCover Authority of NSW prosecuted or commenced prosecution of any New South Wales juvenile justice facilities since 1 July 2003 for any breaches of the law and/or regulations?
- (b) If so, which facilities?

(3) What is the total value of fines levied against New South Wales juvenile justice facilities for breaches of the law and/or regulations since 1 July 2003?

Answer—

(1)

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Inspections have been undertaken by WorkCover over this period for alleged or possible breaches of varying degrees of severity at the following facilities: Riverina Juvenile Justice Centre, Yasmar Juvenile Justice Centre, Islington Community Office, Tamworth Community Office, Acmena Juvenile Justice Centre, Frank Baxter Juvenile Justice Centre, Cobham Juvenile Justice Centre, Kariong Juvenile Justice Centre.

(2)

- (a) Yes.

- (b) Kariong Juvenile Justice Centre.
 (3) \$165,000.

*223 POLICE—NSW POLICE RIOT GEAR—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—

- (1) As at 1 October 2006 how many full sets of riot gear are maintained by NSW Police?
 (2) What is the individual cost of each set of riot gear maintained by the NSW Police?

Answer—

It is estimated that a standard set of riot gear issued to first response police (helmet, shield, gloves and leg guards) costs in the vicinity of \$769.00.

*224 POLICE—POLICE CADETS AT GOULBURN POLICE COLLEGE—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—

- (1) Since 1 August 2006 how many individuals have started training as a Police Officer but have failed to complete the prescribed course?
 (2) Since 1 August 2006 how many individuals have been forced to repeat any part of the training needed to become a Police Officer?
 (3) Since 1 August 2006 how many individuals have deferred any part of the training needed to become a Police Officer?

Answer—

NSW Police has advised me:

- (1) Two classes have commenced training since 1 August 2006. 42 students from these classes have since withdrawn or cancelled and 29 have requested a leave of absence to be placed in the next class.
 (2) 72 students who failed a subject in the June - September 2006 course took up the offer to repeat those subjects in the September 2006 - January 2007 course.
 (3) 48.

*225 JUSTICE, JUVENILE JUSTICE—SEXUAL ASSAULTS OF FEMALE INMATES IN PRISONS—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

- (1) How many sexual assaults of female inmates in New South Wales correctional facilities have occurred in each financial year since 1 July 2000?
 (2) How many sexual assaults of female inmates in New South Wales correctional facilities that have occurred in each financial year since 1 July 2000 did male inmates in the correctional facilities commit?
 (3) How many sexual assaults of female inmates in New South Wales correctional facilities that have occurred in each financial year since 1 July 2000 did staff of the Department of Corrective Services commit?
 (a) As a result of any sexual assault of a female inmate in a New South Wales correctional facility was any female inmate later found to be pregnant?
 (b) If so, what subsequently occurred in relation to the pregnancy?
 (4) How many 'rape kits', for example, medical tests undertaken if a person has been suspected of being raped, been used by New South Wales correctional facilities since 1 July 2000?

Answer—

- (1) Incidents though reported and recorded as sexual assaults, may not all meet the criminal offence criteria for sexual assault for example, they may include unwanted touching/kissing etc. The number of alleged sexual assaults on female inmates reported to the Department of Corrective Services for the financial years in question is:

2000-01:	1
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2001-02:	2
2002-03:	1
2003-04:	3
2004-05:	9
2005-06:	2

- (2) Where the above allegations identified an alleged assailant, none of the alleged assailants was male.
- (3) Where the above allegations identified an alleged assailant, none of the alleged assailants was a staff member.
- (a) No.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (4) Medical examinations of alleged victims of sexual assault are conducted by Justice Health or a hospital. This question should be directed to the Minister for Health.

*226 JUSTICE—OCCURRENCE OF HIV IN NSW CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

- (1) How many inmates of New South Wales correctional facilities have become HIV positive in prison since 1 July 2000 after entering HIV negative?
- (2) How many inmates of New South Wales correctional facilities are HIV positive as at:
- (a) 1 October 2006?
- (b) 30 June 2006?
- (c) 30 June 2005?
- (d) 30 June 2004?
- (e) 30 June 2003?

Answer—

The Minister for Health has advised:

- (1) and (2) Justice Health does not undertake mandatory screening for HIV on entry into the correctional system. HIV testing is undertaken on a voluntary basis through a program that identifies patients who may be at risk of, or have previously acquired, a blood borne virus. Given the voluntary nature of this program any response to question (2) would be subjective.

*227 HEALTH—COUNSELLING AND MEDICAL SUPPORT FOR MADDISON HALL—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Health—

- (1)
- (a) Did Justice Health Services provide counselling, medical support or medical care at any stage to Maddison Hall?
- (b) If so, what was the cost of this?
- (2)
- (a) Were any costs of the counselling, medical support or medical care, which was provided at any stage to Maddison Hall, incurred by a non-New South Wales Government entity?
- (b) If so, what was the cost of this and who incurred these costs?

Answer—

I am advised:

Justice Health services are available to inmates and detainees across the New South Wales correctional system. Individual treatments provided by Justice health are not costed.

Elective gender reassignment surgery is not funded by Justice Health. Ms Hall has funded all the direct medical care associated with her gender reassignment surgery.

*228 HEALTH—COLLECTION OF SEMEN FROM INMATES—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many inmates incarcerated by the Government has had semen taken and stored since 2000?
- (2) What was the cost of semen being taken and stored from inmates incarcerated by the Government since 2000?
- (3) Who paid for semen to be taken and stored from inmates incarcerated by the Government since 2000?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) to (3) This is not a treatment or service provided by Justice Health or funded by Justice Health.

*229 HEALTH—METHADONE DISPENSED TO INMATES—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) How many inmates incarcerated by the Government are currently receiving methadone?
- (2) What quantity of methadone was dispensed in 2005-06 to inmates incarcerated by the Government?
- (3) Who paid for methadone that was dispensed in 2005-06 to inmates incarcerated by the Government?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) The number of patients requiring methadone treatment fluctuates regularly; therefore it is not possible to provide a definitive response within the parameters of the current question.
- (2) 6,122 litres.
- (3) All methadone is supplied free of charge by the Australian Government.

*230 HEALTH—GENDER REASSIGNMENT SURGERY FOR PRISONERS—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) What was the total value of gender reassignment surgery undertaken on prisoners in New South Wales correctional facilities for the following financial years:
 - (a) 2002-03?
 - (b) 2003-04?
 - (c) 2004-05?
 - (d) 2005-06?
- (2) How many prisoners in New South Wales correctional facilities have had gender reassignment surgery in the following financial years:
 - (a) 2002-03?
 - (b) 2003-04?
 - (c) 2004-05?
 - (d) 2005-06?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) This is not a treatment or service provided by Justice Health or funded by Justice Health.

*231 HEALTH—BREAST AUGMENTATION SURGERY FOR PRISONERS—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) Have any prisoners in New South Wales correctional facilities since 1 July 2002 received breast augmentation surgery?
- (2) If so, what was the total value of the breast augmentation surgery undertaken on prisoners in New South Wales correctional facilities for the following financial years:
 - (a) 2002-03?
 - (b) 2003-04?
 - (c) 2004-05?

- (d) 2005-06?
- (3) If so, how many prisoners in New South Wales correctional facilities had breast augmentation surgery for the following financial years:
- (a) 2002-03?
 - (b) 2003-04?
 - (c) 2004-05?
 - (d) 2005-06?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) No.
- (2) and (3) Not applicable.

*232 HEALTH—LIPOSUCTION UNDERTAKEN ON PRISONERS—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) Have any prisoners in New South Wales correctional facilities since 1 July 2002 received liposuction?
- (2) If so, what was the total cost of the liposuction undertaken on prisoners in the correctional facilities for the following financial years:
 - (a) 2002-03?
 - (b) 2003-04?
 - (c) 2004-05?
 - (d) 2005-06?
- (3) If so, how many prisoners in the correctional facilities have had liposuction in the following financial years:
 - (a) 2002-03?
 - (b) 2003-04?
 - (c) 2004-05?
 - (d) 2005-06?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) No.
- (2) and (3) Not applicable.

*233 HEALTH—ERECTILE DYSFUNCTION SURGERY FOR PRISONERS—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) Have any prisoners in New South Wales correctional facilities since 1 July 2002 received erectile dysfunction surgery?
- (2) If so, what was the total cost of the erectile dysfunction surgery undertaken on prisoners in the correctional facilities for the following financial years:
 - (a) 2002-03?
 - (b) 2003-04?
 - (c) 2004-05?
 - (d) 2005-06?
- (3) If so, how many prisoners in the correctional facilities have had erectile dysfunction surgery for the following financial years:
 - (a) 2002-03?
 - (b) 2003-04?
 - (c) 2004-05?

(d) 2005-06?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) No.
- (2) and (3) Not applicable.

*234 HEALTH—SEXUAL ASSAULTS OF PATIENTS IN HOSPITALS—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) On a yearly basis, how many patients of New South Wales hospitals have reportedly been sexually assaulted since 1 July 2002?
- (2) How many of these patients were sexually assaulted by NSW Health employees on a yearly basis since 1 July 2002?

Answer—

I am advised:

- (1) and (2) See the BOCSAR website at www.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/bocsar.

*235 POLICE—SEXUAL ASSAULTS OF PATIENTS IN HOSPITALS—Mr Lynn asked the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—

- (1) On a yearly basis, how many patients of New South Wales hospitals have reportedly been sexually assaulted since 1 July 2002?
- (2) How many of these patients were sexually assaulted by NSW Health employees on a yearly basis since 1 July 2002?

Answer—

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

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*237 PLANNING—BARRIER TO ACHIEVING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT—Mr Cohen asked the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1)
 - (a) Will the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act be amended to remove the barrier to achieving sustainable development created by section 94 and related provisions and provide that councils may not require developers to contribute car spaces or financial contributions to build car parking when a developer offers sustainable transport alternatives such as car share or there are public transport options which should be given priority over private car use?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (2)
 - (a) Will the Minister create a state-wide policy to ensure that section 94 levies are significantly reduced for development projects that achieve excellence in sustainability?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (3)
 - (a) Is private car use a major cause of environmental pollution?
 - (b) If so, will the Minister prohibit the levying of section 94 contributions for car spaces?

Answer—

- (1)
 - (a) The Environmental Planning and Assessment Act provides the opportunity for councils to enter into voluntary planning agreements as an alternative mechanism to section 94 levies. Planning agreements can be applied towards a public purpose, including the provision of transport (and the funding of recurrent expenditure).
 - (b) Not applicable.
- (2)
 - (a) The contributions system provides for the discounting of contributions in order to achieve specific social, economic or environmental purposes.
 - (b) Not applicable.
- (3)
 - (a) This is a matter for the Minister for the Environment.
 - (b) Not applicable.

*238 ENERGY—SUSTAINABLE OFFICE BUILDING IN DOUBLE BAY—Mr Cohen asked the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Energy, Minister for Ports and Waterways, and Minister Assisting the Treasurer on Business and Economic Regulatory Reform—

- (1) Why has a new sustainable office building in Double Bay at No. 376 382 New South Head Road been attained to provide an electricity substation to serve the needs of Double Bay electricity customers when the project was designed to use the least amount of electricity possible, at a premium cost to the developer, and when the new development was designed to use no more electricity than was already being supplied to the site?
- (2)
 - (a) Was assistance given to the sustainable office project at no cost to government?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (3)
 - (a) Was a sustainable office project disadvantaged due to the mismanagement of the demands of other customers in the Double Bay area?
 - (b) If so, why?
- (4) What compensation will be offered to the developer for the loss of 40 square metres of prime retail space that has been set aside for the provision of an electricity sub-station that will serve the wider needs of the Double Bay area?
- (5) What steps will the Minister take to ensure this matter does not occur again?

Answer—

- (1) to (5) I am advised that EnergyAustralia received an application in March 2005 for supply of 300 amps to the development at 376-382 New South Head Rd, in Double Bay, a 2000 per cent increase on the existing power demand at the premises.

I am further informed that another application for supply to the premises was then received in August 2006 for an increase of 2668 per cent.

It is a requirement under the Electricity Supply Act 1995 for a new development to provide space for a substation when the local street network is unable to provide the supply required by the development.

I am advised that EnergyAustralia is paying for the construction of a kiosk substation to support the increased power requirements of the site, while the developer is providing space for the substation.

239 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—BROADWATER POWER PLANT AND MILL—Mr Cohen to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—

242 ROADS—EXPENDITURE OF FUNDING FOR PACIFIC HIGHWAY—Mrs Pavey to ask the Minister for Roads—

*243 PLANNING, REDFERN WATERLOO—REDFERN WATERLOO STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY—Revd Mr Nile asked the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) Does the Redfern Waterloo State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) discriminate against the Aboriginal Housing Company and their land holdings on the Block in Redfern?
- (2) Has the residential allowance been restricted from 1:1 to 0.75:1?
 - (a) If so, will this disrupt the proposed Pemulwuy project?
 - (b) If so, will this restriction change the design of the houses, making them incongruous with Aboriginal culture and thus unsuitable for Aboriginal families?
- (3)
 - (a) Will a review of this SEPP be conducted and the residential allowance for the Block be restored?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

- (1) No.
- (2) A 'Mixed Use' Zoning is applied to the Eveleigh Street Precinct to encourage business, cultural, community, residential and recreational uses and activities.

Height limits on land adjacent to the railway line will be increased to five storeys. Employment uses and business activities will be encouraged on this site by increasing the maximum floor space ratio to 2:1 and limiting the maximum residential floor space ratio to 1:1.

Land currently zoned 'Local Recreation - Open Space' will be zoned 'Mixed Uses'. The maximum floor space ratio will be increased to 2:1 with a maximum residential floor space ratio of 1:1. A maximum five storey height limit will apply to this land.

The maximum floor space ratio for land bounded by Eveleigh Street, Vine Street, Louis Street and Lawson Street has been increased from 1:1 to 1.5:1 to encourage business, cultural, community and retail activity. The maximum height has also increased from two storeys to three storeys. To encourage employment and business uses, the residential floor space ratio will be set at 0.75:1.

The AHC has now lodged an application with the NSW Department of Planning for a major project. That application will now proceed via the normal Department of Planning assessment protocols. Indeed, no development within this State is exempt from proper examination and approval processes.

The SEPP was on public exhibition for two months to 14 April 2006. 15,000 newsletters were delivered to all residential dwellings within the RWA operational area advising of the draft Built Environment Plan and draft SEPP and consultative arrangements.

The final SEPP took into consideration the matters raised by the public submissions.

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(Paper No. 22)

*244 HEALTH—CONDITIONAL RELEASE OF KYLIE FITTER—Dr Chesterfield-Evans asked the Minister for Health—

- (1)
 - (a) Will the recommendation by the Mental Health Review Tribunal for the conditional release of Kylie Fitter be followed?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (2)
 - (a) Will the Government's objection to her release be upheld regardless of the outcome of the

Tribunal's upcoming recommendation?

(b) If so, why?

Answer—

(1) and (2) I am advised that the answer to the honourable member's question can be found in the NSW Legislative Council Hansard of 6 September 2006.

245 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—CONTROLS FOR THE COLLECTION OF ABALONE—Mr Cohen to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—

246 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—ABORIGINAL PLACE AT SANDON POINT—Mr Cohen to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—

*247 PLANNING—DEATH OF FAUNA AT LAKE COWAL—Ms Rhiannon asked the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

(1) Have any fauna died as a result of operations at the Lake Cowal Gold Mine, from construction, toxicity or any other operation relating to Lake Cowal Mine?

(2) If so, what are the details of each incident of fauna death? Please identify the fauna, cause of death and any action taken by the department.

(3) Will the incidents referred to in minutes from the meetings held on 7 December 2005 and 1 March 2006 of Cowal Gold Project Community Environmental Monitoring and Consultative Committee be investigated?

(a) If so, when?

(b) If not, why not?

Answer—

(1) to (3) I am advised that information in relation to fauna deaths is detailed in an Annual Environmental Management Report which is available from the Department of Planning.

248 ENVIRONMENT—DEATH OF FAUNA AT LAKE COWAL—Ms Rhiannon to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—

249 POLICE—UNREGISTERED TRAIL BIKES USING BRISBANE WATERS NATIONAL PARK—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—

250 ENVIRONMENT—UNREGISTERED TRAIL BIKES USING BRISBANE WATERS NATIONAL PARK—Ms Rhiannon to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—

251 POLICE—USE AND POSSESSION OF TASER GUNS—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—

*252 HEALTH—SUPPORT AND DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES FOR AUTISTIC SPECTRUM DISORDER—Ms Hale asked the Minister for Health—

- (1) What actions have been taken to decrease the waiting times for diagnostic services in developmental delay units, in order that parents with children who may have autistic spectrum disorders can receive timely diagnosis and advice about their child?
- (2)
 - (a) Are some developmental delay units currently unable to give appointments until April 2007?
 - (b) If so, why?
- (3) Is the four page fact sheet which can be found on the NSW Health website the only information available from NSW Health for parents with children who have autistic spectrum disorder?
- (4)
 - (a) Will the Government consider increasing respite services and funding for early intervention services, such as intensive applied behavioural analysis education, to assist the parents of autistic children, and the children themselves?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (5)
 - (a) Will the following issues be addressed in consultation with the Federal Minister for Health:
 - (i) PBS concessions for medications necessary for people with autism spectrum disorder?
 - (ii) A more generous carer's payment for parents who care for their children with autism spectrum disorder at home?
 - (b) If not, why not?
- (6)
 - (a) Will NSW Health, in consultation with the Department of Education and Training, make available a site or sites and funding for new campuses children with autistic spectrum disorder, such as the Woodbury School, given there are 60 people on the list of this school but space for only four or five a year?
 - (b) If not, why not?

Answer—

I am advised:

(1) and (2) Waiting times vary between services across the State and are dependent on a number of factors. A range of strategies have been implemented to assist client families with diagnosis and assessment, including:

- Improvements in intake systems
- Provisions for fast-tracking
- Home visits
- Preschool visits
- The introduction of "Screening Clinics"
- The introduction of shorter "Diagnostic Clinics"
- New psychometric assessment tools
- Collaboration with Departments of Psychology at the University of Western Sydney and University of NSW
- Improved networking.

(3) No.

(4) I refer the member to the Minister for Disability Services.

(5) These matters are the sole responsibility of the Australian Government.

(6) I refer the member to the Minister for Education and Training.

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- 253 MINERAL RESOURCES—WATER USAGE AT LAKE COWAL GOLD MINE—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 255 EMERGENCY SERVICES—DAMAGE TO ABORIGINAL SITE ON WALKER CORPORATION LAND—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 256 POLICE—POLICE MEDIA STATEMENT REGARDING GOULBURN MAN—Mr Gallacher to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—
- 257 PREMIER—MINISTERIAL OFFICE COSTS 2005-06—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 258 PREMIER—MINISTERIAL OFFICE BUDGET 2006-07—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 259 ROADS—RTA MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads—
- 260 ROADS—RTA MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads—
- 261 ROADS—RTA MEDIA UNIT BUDGET 2006-07—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads—
- 262 POLICE—POLICE MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—
- 263 POLICE—POLICE MEDIA UNIT BUDGET 2006-07—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—
- 264 POLICE—POLICE MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—
- 265 TREASURER—NSW TREASURY MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 266 COMMERCE—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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—
- 267 COMMERCE—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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—
- 268 JUSTICE—DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

- 269 JUSTICE—DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 270 POLICE—DET MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—
- 271 POLICE—DET MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—
- 272 EMERGENCY SERVICES—NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 273 TOURISM AND SPORT AND RECREATION—DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM, SPORT AND RECREATION MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources representing the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 274 TOURISM AND SPORT AND RECREATION—DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM, SPORT AND RECREATION MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources representing the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 275 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 276 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 277 HEALTH—NSW HEALTH'S MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Health—
- 278 HEALTH—NSW HEALTH MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Health—
- 279 TRANSPORT—RAIL CORPORATION NEW SOUTH WALES MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 280 TRANSPORT—SYDNEY FERRIES CORPORATION MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 281 TRANSPORT—STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF NSW MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 282 TRANSPORT—RAIL CORPORATION NEW SOUTH WALES MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—

- 283 TRANSPORT—SYDNEY FERRIES CORPORATION MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 284 TRANSPORT—STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF NSW MINISTERIAL LIAISON UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 285 EMERGENCY SERVICES—NSW FIRE BRIGADE MEDIA UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 286 ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS—ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Minister Assisting the Premier on Citizenship—
- 287 AGEING—AGEING DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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—
- 288 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—ANTI-DISCRIMINATION BOARD DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 289 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS TRIBUNAL DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 290 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 291 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 292 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—NSW REGISTRY OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 293 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—OFFICE OF THE PROTECTIVE COMMISSIONER DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 294 ATTORNEY-GENERAL—SOLICITOR GENERAL AND CROWN ADVOCATE DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—

- 295 COMMERCE—DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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—
- 296 COMMERCE—MOTOR ACCIDENTS AUTHORITY DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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—
- 297 COMMERCE—WORKCOVER AUTHORITY DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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—
- 298 ENVIRONMENT—DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 299 ENVIRONMENT—SYDNEY CATCHMENT AUTHORITY DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 300 TREASURER—NSW TREASURY DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 301 TOURISM AND SPORT AND RECREATION—DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM, SPORT AND RECREATION DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources representing the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 302 TRANSPORT—RAIL INFRASTRUCTURE CORPORATION DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 303 TRANSPORT—SYDNEY FERRIES CORPORATION DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 304 TRANSPORT—STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY OF NSW DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 305 COMMUNITY SERVICES, YOUTH—COMMUNITY SERVICES DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs representing the Minister for Community Services, and Minister for Youth—
- 306 EDUCATION AND TRAINING—DET DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Education and Training—
- 307 HEALTH—HEALTH DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Health—
- 308 JUSTICE—DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIVE SERVICES DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

- 309 EMERGENCY SERVICES—NSW FIRE BRIGADE DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 310 JUVENILE JUSTICE—DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 311 LANDS—DEPARTMENT OF LANDS DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 312 PREMIER—PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 313 NATURAL RESOURCES—NATURAL RESOURCES DISPLACED EMPLOYEES LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 314 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES DISPLACED EMPLOYEES LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 315 POLICE—NSW POLICE DISPLACED EMPLOYEES LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—
- 316 ROADS—RTA DISPLACED EMPLOYEES LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads—
- 317 PLANNING—DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 318 WATER UTILITIES—SYDNEY WATER DISPLACED EMPLOYEES LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs representing the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra—
- *319 HOUSING—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1) How many employees of the Department of Housing were registered as displaced employees with the Public Employment Office as at 1 October 2006?
 - (2) What was the cost in annual wages of employees of the Department of Housing registered as displaced employees with the Public Employment Office as at 1 October 2006?
 - (3) How many employees of the Department of Housing were displaced employees but were not registered as displaced employees with the Public Employment Office as at 1 October 2006?
 - (4) What was the annual wages cost of employees of the Department of Housing who were displaced employees but were not registered as displaced employees with the Public Employment Office as at 1 October 2006?

Answer—

(1) to (4) Displaced employees are managed through the Public Employment Office (PEO).

320 PREMIER—PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT OFFICE DISPLACED LIST—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—

*321 HOUSING—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PROPERTIES—Mr Mason-Cox asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

(1) How many properties does the Department of Housing own in each suburb serviced by a postcode that is between 2000 and 2111 as at 1 October 2006?

(2) How many properties does the Department of Housing own in each suburb serviced by a postcode that is between 2000 and 2111 that are vacant as at 1 October 2006?

(3) How many properties does the Department of Housing own in each suburb serviced by a postcode that is between 2000 and 2111 which are rented and/or leased on a commercial basis as at 1 October 2006?

(4) What is the total value of all the properties owned by Department of Housing in each suburb serviced by a postcode that is between 2000 and 2111 as at 1 October 2006?

Postcode	Number of Properties Owned	Number of Vacant Properties	Number of Properties Rented/Leased Commercially	Value of Properties in this Postcode
2000				
2001				
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Answer—

(1) to (3) To provide the level of information required by Mr Mason-Cox would require significant departmental resources and it is considered providing this information is an inappropriate use of departmental resources.

(4) Information concerning the value of properties owned by the Department of Housing is available in its annual report.

322 HEALTH—SAC INCIDENTS—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Health—

323 PREMIER—STAFF SECONDMENT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—

324 PREMIER—RIGHT OF RETURN—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—

325 PREMIER—MINISTERIAL STAFF LEAVING—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—

- 326 PREMIER, STATE DEVELOPMENT—PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 327 PREMIER—MINISTERIAL AND PARLIAMENTARY SERVICES—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 328 PREMIER—SES POSITIONS—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 329 TREASURER—LAND TAX—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 330 PREMIER—SES CONTRACTS—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 331 TREASURER—NSW TREASURY STAFF TRAVEL—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter—
- 332 PREMIER—PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT STAFF TRAVEL—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 333 PREMIER—PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT EXTERNAL LEGAL ADVICE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- 334 ROADS—RTA TRAVEL—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads—
- 335 ROADS—RTA EXTERNAL LEGAL ADVICE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads—
- 336 PLANNING—DOMESTIC TRAVEL—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 337 PLANNING—EXTERNAL LEGAL ADVICE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 338 POLICE—EXTERNAL LEGAL ADVICE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Minister for Police—

- 339 ROADS—RTA BRIDGE CLOSURES—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads—
- 340 ROADS—RTA BRIDGES REQUIRING URGENT MAINTENANCE WORK—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads—
- 341 JUVENILE JUSTICE—EMPLOYEES AT RODEN CUTLER HOUSE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 342 PORTS AND WATERWAYS—WHITE BAY—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Energy, Minister for Ports and Waterways, and Minister Assisting the Treasurer on Business and Economic Regulatory Reform—
- 343 TRANSPORT—TRANSPORT OFFICE BUILDING STAFF LEVELS—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 344 COMMERCE—COMMERCE OFFICE BUILDING STAFF LEVELS—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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—
- 345 ENVIRONMENT—ENVIRONMENT OFFICE BUILDING STAFF LEVELS—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 346 TRANSPORT—RAILCORP ADVERTISING—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—
- 347 TOURISM AND SPORT AND RECREATION—SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK AUTHORITY—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources representing the Minister for Tourism and Sport and Recreation, Minister for Women, and Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development—
- 348 PLANNING—STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 349 PLANNING—SYDNEY HARBOUR FORESHORE AUTHORITY—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 350 PREMIER—PREMIER'S SERVICE DELIVERY UNIT—Mr Mason-Cox to ask 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 representing the Premier, Minister for State Development, and Minister for Citizenship—
- *351 HOUSING—HOME FUND—Mr Mason-Cox asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

Given the 2006-07 Budget Paper No. 3 on page 11-8 states "These Home Fund support obligations will significantly reduce after May 2006 and the financial structure of the Fund will be reviewed in line with the Fund's future obligations".

- (a) Can the Minister advise on the outcome/status of the review?
- (b) Does this fund contain a significant surplus?

Answer—

- (a) The review is not yet finalised.
- (b) This matter is expected to be detailed in the review.

*352 HOUSING—HOME PURCHASE ASSISTANCE FUND (HPAF)—Mr Mason-Cox asked the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

- (1) As Budget Paper No. 3 on page 11-18 shows the net assets of the HPAF (Revised 2005-06) at 30 June is \$155,543,000, can the Minister confirm that this net asset amount at 30 June 2006 is a reasonable forecast at that date?
- (2) Given the Auditor General's Report to Parliament 2005 Volume 4 states that Net Assets for the HPAF at 30 June 2005 is \$439,711,000 what is the explanation for the more than \$284 million difference between net assets in the Auditor General's Report and that in Budget Paper No. 3?

Answer—

- (1) The net assets of the HPAF as at 30 June 2006 have been revised and are expected to be \$158.24 million. The expected improvement over the forecast provided in the Budget Paper No. 3 is a result of higher interest income due to rate increases and reduced expenditure.
- (2) The variance in net assets between the Auditor General's report and Budget Paper No. 3 equates to the value of Commonwealth debt owing as at 30 June 2005.

353 LANDS—LAND AND PROPERTY INFORMATION OFFICE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—

354 HEALTH—GREATER SOUTHERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Health—

355 HEALTH—GREATER WESTERN AREA HEALTH SERVICE—Mr Mason-Cox to ask the Minister for Health—

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356 WATER UTILITIES—WATER USAGE AT LAKE COWAL GOLD MINE—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs representing the Minister for Water Utilities, Minister for Small Business, Minister for Regional Development, and Minister for the Illawarra—

357 TRANSPORT—CASINO TO MURWILLUMBAH RAIL LINE WORKING PARTY—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Roads representing the Deputy Premier, and Minister for Transport—

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(Paper No. 25)

- 359 ENVIRONMENT—FOX STUDIOS CONSENT CONDITIONS—Dr Chesterfield-Evans to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 360 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—RURAL LANDS PROTECTION BOARD RATES—Mr Gay to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 361 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—ELLENBOROUGH RURAL LANDS PROTECTION BOARD RATES—Mr Gay to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 362 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—RLPB RATE FOR WINE PRODUCERS IN RIVERINA REGION—Mr Gay to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 363 NATURAL RESOURCES, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—YARANBAH BORE PIPE AND CAP SCHEME—Mr Colless to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 364 MINERAL RESOURCES, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—FORESTRY INDUSTRY STRUCTURAL ADJUSTMENT PACKAGE—Mr Colless to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 365 MINERAL RESOURCES, NATURAL RESOURCES, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—CUTS TO CARRY OVER WATER, WATER PURCHASES AND HIGH SECURITY WATER—Mr Colless to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 366 LANDS—PIPELINE THROUGH CROWN LAND—Mr Colless to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 367 LANDS—CONVERTING ENCLOSED ROAD PERMITS—Mr Colless to ask the Minister for Justice, Minister for Juvenile Justice, Minister for Emergency Services, Minister for Lands, and Minister for Rural Affairs—
- 368 MINERAL RESOURCES, NATURAL RESOURCES, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—RESTRUCTURE OF BUSINESSES FOLLOWING BRIGALOW BELT SOUTH DECISION—Mr Colless to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 369 MINERAL RESOURCES—DEPARTMENTAL EMPLOYEES WORKING FOR MINING COMPANIES—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 370 HEALTH—LONG BAY PRISON AND FORENSIC HOSPITAL PROJECT—PPP SOLUTIONS CONSORTIUM—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Health—
- 371 PLANNING—DEPARTMENTAL EMPLOYEES WORKING FOR MINING COMPANIES—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

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- 372 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—NANOTECHNOLOGIES—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 373 ENVIRONMENT—NANOTECHNOLOGIES—Ms Rhiannon to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 374 EDUCATION AND TRAINING—SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Education and Training—
- 375 EDUCATION AND TRAINING—REDEVELOPMENTS OF HOLROYD SCHOOL—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Education and Training—
- 376 MINERAL RESOURCES—MONEY RAISED FROM LEVY ON MINING COMPANIES—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 377 HEALTH—INCARCERATION OF KYLIE FITTER—Ms Rhiannon to ask the Minister for Health—
- 378 ENVIRONMENT—KANGAROO POPULATIONS—Mr Breen to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—

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- 379 INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS—WORKCOVER SCHEME SURPLUS—Ms Hale to ask 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—
- 380 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—STUDY CONDUCTED BY FSANZ—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 381 HOUSING—SALE OF PROPERTIES IN WELLINGTON STREET, WATERLOO—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 382 HOUSING—MONEY SPENT ON DIRECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE AND DRIVER—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 383 HOUSING—COMPLEX ON PETERSHAM ROAD, MARRICKVILLE—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

- 384 HEALTH—BEDS AVAILABLE IN PSYCHIATRIC WARDS—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health—
- 385 PLANNING—REHABILITATION SERVICE AT CALLAN PARK—Ms Hale to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 386 PLANNING—WHITE BAY BULK CEMENT TERMINAL AND ROZELLE DRY DOCK STORAGE—Ms Hale to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 387 PLANNING—DRAFT STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY—Ms Hale to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 388 PLANNING—MULTIPLEX ROZELLE SITE—Ms Hale to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 389 PLANNING—TAYLOR OVAL MOREE—Ms Hale to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

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- 390 PLANNING—AGILITY ALLIANCE GAS PIPELINE—Revd Mr Nile to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—
- 391 ENVIRONMENT—ASIAN ELEPHANTS—Mr Cohen to ask 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 representing the Attorney General, Minister for the Environment, and Minister for the Arts—
- 392 NATURAL RESOURCES—IRRIGATORS IN LOWER GWYDIR AREA—Mr Cohen to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources—
- 393 ENERGY—VALES POINT POWER STATION EXPLOSION—Mr Cohen to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Energy, Minister for Ports and Waterways, and Minister Assisting the Treasurer on Business and Economic Regulatory Reform—
- 394 HOUSING—FORMER DIRECTOR GENERAL—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- 395 HOUSING—ICAC INQUIRY INTO ASSET SALES—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—

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- 396 GAMING AND RACING—POKER MACHINE ENTITLEMENTS—Dr Chesterfield-Evans to ask the Minister for Natural Resources, Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Mineral Resources representing the Minister for Gaming and Racing, and Minister for the Central Coast—
How many hotels have dispute flags lodged on their poker machine entitlements at present?
- 397 HOUSING—MILLERS POINT HOUSING—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1)
 - (a) Are any of the houses owned, leased or managed by the Department of Housing in Millers Point or The Rocks to be leased out or sold?
 - (b) Which ones are to be leased and which ones are to be sold?
 - (2) If so, what are the addresses of the affected properties?
 - (3) Are the leases for 99 years?
 - (4)
 - (a) Are there any maintenance costs, or costs related to maintaining heritage, associated with these dwellings?
 - (b) What are these costs estimated to be per annum?
 - (5) Are the dwellings that are being leased or sold currently zoned as commercial, residential or both?
 - (6) Does the department manage any properties owned by the former Maritime Services Board or its predecessor agency?
 - (a) If so, how many?
 - (b) Are any of these premises being leased out or sold?
 - (i) If so, what are the addresses of the affected properties?
- 398 HOUSING—WATER SAVING APPLIANCES—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1)
 - (a) Did Sydney Water supply customers with Aqualoc water saving products?
 - (b) Do these products meet current standards?
 - (2) Is the Department of Housing installing or intending to install Aqualoc products into 50,000 homes?
 - (3) Is the product supplied to Sydney Water the same product passed by the CSIRO, which met the latest standards for water saving devices?
 - (4) If the products are not meeting standards, is it possible that up to 25 per cent extra water is being used?
 - (5) Why has a product that has not complied with any standards, watermark or licenses since 1997 won an integral part of the Department of Housing's water saving initiatives?
- 399 HOUSING—REDEVELOPMENT OF INNER WEST HOUSING—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1) What Department of Housing estates have been targeted for redevelopment in the inner west of Sydney?
 - (2) Are the redevelopments to be part-financed by the selling-off of a portion of department-owned land?
 - (3) Will there be contracts with private sector consortia to redevelop?
 - (4) When will tenders for the redevelopments be called for?

- (5) What is the anticipated deadline for submission for Expression of Interests?
- (6) How many dwellings will be demolished?
- (7) What proportion of total departmental land area will be sold off?
- (8) How many tenants will have to be relocated?
- 400 HOUSING—REDEVELOPMENT OF ORANGE GROVE ESTATE, LILYFIELD—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1) Will Department of Housing tenants at Orange Grove in Lilyfield be relocated within three months?
- (2) How many units does the Department intend to maintain on site?
- (3) How many tenants would it be possible to rehouse in the new development?
- (4) What is the estimated asset value of the complex?
- (5) Is it anticipated that the Government will contract with a developer for a redevelopment?
- (6) What percentage of government-owned land is it anticipated will be sold off?
- 401 HOUSING—TRANSFER OF MANAGEMENT OF COMMUNITY HOUSING—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health representing the Minister for Housing, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Mental Health)—
- (1) Have 261 properties in the central Sydney Directorate been transferred to Office of Community Housing for management by a community housing association in this financial year?
- (2)
- (a) Have 60 dwellings at Cross Street in Manly been transferred to Office of Community Housing or community housing organisations?
- (b) If not, how many?
- (3)
- (a) Have 166 dwellings at Namatjira in Little Bay been transferred to Office of Community Housing or community housing organisations?
- (b) If not, how many?
- (4)
- (a) Have 50 dwellings at Walker Street in Redfern been transferred to Office of Community Housing or community housing organisations?
- (b) If not, how many?
- (5)
- (a) Has the Department of Housing met its transfer target of 2500 units?
- (b) How many has the Department transferred this financial year?
- (c) Are there any future transfers planned for this financial year?
- (i) If so, how many and where?
- 402 HEALTH—EMERGENCY CARE TASKFORCE RESIGNATIONS—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health—
- (1)
- (a) Is NSW Health willing to employ locums, rather than to ensure a proper training regime for emergency specialists, to staff the State's emergency departments?
- (b) If so, why?
- (2) What is the Government's response to the resignation of the ten medical specialists from the Emergency Care Taskforce?

403 HEALTH—HEALTH FACILITIES IN SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY—Ms Hale to ask the Minister for Health—

(1)

- (a) Will special respiratory facilities be provided at hospitals in the south-western Sydney area considering the ongoing reports that the area is the pollution sink for Sydney?
- (b) If not, why not?

(2)

- (a) Will these facilities be considered for the 300,000 residents of the 100,000 homes that the Government is planning for the new release areas?
- (b) If not, why not?

404 PLANNING—HEALTH FACILITIES IN SOUTH WESTERN SYDNEY—Ms Hale to ask the Treasurer, Minister for Infrastructure, and Minister for the Hunter representing the Minister for Planning, Minister for Redfern Waterloo, Minister for Science and Medical Research, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Health (Cancer)—

- (1) Has the Government canvassed alternative sites for population growth in the south-western Sydney area considering the ongoing reports that the area is the pollution sink of Sydney?
- (2) If not, why not?
- (3) If so, where?

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