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1013 ROADS, MARITIME AND FREIGHT—WINDSOR BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT—Mr Primrose to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

- (1) When did the Final Business Case gateway review for the Windsor Bridge Project take place?
- (2) Since February 2013 have any value management workshops been held for the Windsor Bridge Replacement Project? If so, when?
- (3) Has the final business case for this project been prepared?
- (4) As the Windsor Bridge Replacement Project has been included in the Budget Papers, on what date did the Minister seek approval from the Treasurer for the inclusion of the Windsor Bridge replacement project in the Capital Works Program?
- (5) How many risk assessments have occurred in relation to this project? When is the next one due to occur?

1014 ROADS, MARITIME AND FREIGHT—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council—

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1015 LANDS AND WATER, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

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1016 AGEING, DISABILITY SERVICES, MULTICULTURALISM—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism—

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1017 LANDS AND WATER, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—CROWN LANDS REFORMS AND LAND ADMINISTRATION MINISTERIAL CORPORATION—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

- (1) What is the scope and purpose of the ICT Systems upgrade that is required to implement new Crown Lands legislation, as referred to in 5-23 of the Infrastructure Statement 2016-17?
- (2) Regarding the disclosure of the Lands Administration Ministerial Corporation in Budget Paper No.3, can the Minister rule out the use of this vehicle for the sale and increased commercialisation of Crown Land in New South Wales?

1018 TREASURER—TAX REDUCTION TRUST FUND—Dr Faruqi to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

- (1) What are the total amount of funds currently held in the Tax Reduction Trust Fund established by the Betting Tax Legislation Amendment Act 2015?
- (2) Please provide a breakdown of the funds currently held in the Tax Reduction Trust Fund according to each of the following racing codes:
 - (a) thoroughbred
 - (b) harness
 - (c) greyhound.
- (3) Please provide a breakdown of the Tax Reduction Trust Fund according to the financial year in which the funds were deposited, for:
 - (a) 2014/2015
 - (b) 2015/2016
 - (c) 2016/2017 (to date).

- (4) Please detail any payments made from the Tax Reduction Trust Fund since its inception.
- 1019 RACING—TAX REDUCTION TRUST FUND—Dr Faruqi to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—
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 - (2) Please provide a breakdown of the funds currently held in the Tax Reduction Trust Fund according to each of the following racing codes:
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 - (a) 2014/2015
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 - (4) Please detail any payments made from the Tax Reduction Trust Fund since its inception.
- 1020 ENVIRONMENT—WILD PLAY CHILDREN'S GARDEN AT CENTENNIAL PARK—Dr Faruqi to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—
- (1) What is the budget for the proposed Wild Play Children's Garden at Centennial Park?
 - (2) Has there been a cost increase in the proposed Wild Play Children's Garden at Centennial Park between 2014 and 2015?
 - (a) If yes, what was that increase and what was the reason for the increase?
- 1021 HEALTH—HAZARD REDUCTION HEALTH IMPACT—Dr Faruqi to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for Health—
- (1) Is there any noticeable increase in respiratory conditions presenting at New South Wales hospitals when hazard reduction burning occurs?
 - (2) Has there been any health based research undertaken by NSW Health into the effect of hazard reduction burning on the health of New South Wales residents?
 - (a) If yes, what research was undertaken and where is it available?
- 1022 SPORT, TRADE, TOURISM AND MAJOR EVENTS—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for Trade, Tourism and Major Events, and Minister for Sport—
- With regard to your portfolios:
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1023 PREMIER, WESTERN SYDNEY—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Premier, and Minister for Western Sydney—

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1024 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT, SKILLS, SMALL BUSINESS—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Skills, and Minister for Small Business—

With regard to your portfolios:

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1025 INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, TREASURER—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Treasurer, and Minister for Industrial Relations—

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1026 TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Transport and Infrastructure—

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1027 LANDS AND WATER, PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—CROWN LANDS AND GOSFORD CITY PARK—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

- (1) When did Crown Lands inform the former Gosford City Council that it would need to pay \$3 million for Crown Land known as Gosford City Park, intended to become the site of the proposed Gosford Arts Centre?
- (2) Why did Crown Lands suddenly ask Council to purchase the site?
- (3) Will the Minister intervene to ensure that the Arts Centre can be built on this publicly owned land?
- (4) Will any sale be transacted through the Lands Administration Ministerial Corporation? If not, why not?

- 1028 INNOVATION AND BETTER REGULATION—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for Innovation and Better Regulation—

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- 1029 EMERGENCY SERVICES, VETERANS AFFAIRS—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Corrections, Minister for Emergency Services, and Minister for Veterans Affairs—

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- 1030 PREVENTION OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Medical Research, Assistant Minister for Health, Minister for Women, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault—

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1031 ARTS, JUSTICE AND POLICE—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

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1032 RACING—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Deputy Premier, Minister for Justice and Police, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Racing—

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1033 FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES, SOCIAL HOUSING—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for Family and Community Services, and Minister for Social Housing—

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1034 FINANCE, SERVICES AND PROPERTY—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Minister for Finance, Services and Property—

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1035 EDUCATION—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Minister for Education—

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1036 INDUSTRY, RESOURCES AND ENERGY—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy—

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1037 HEALTH—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for Health—

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1038 ENVIRONMENT, HERITAGE—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage, and Assistant Minister for Planning—

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1039 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES—COMMERCIAL FISHERIES BUSINESS ADJUSTMENT PACKAGE—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water—

- (1) Can the Minister guarantee all active fishers will be able to secure shares to bring them back to their present historical catch level?
- (2) How much are the shares going to cost? Is there a process for determining share value?
- (3) What will be the mechanism through which fishers are able to purchase any available shares?
- (4) How does the Minister envisage fishers can accurately complete loan applications that require them to provide future expected incomes given they have already had their catch history taken from them which affects their existing economic viability.
- (5) What was the process and calculations used to determine the mud crab quota and the eel quota?
- (6) Did active and non-active fishers receive equitable quota across all regions?
- (7) How will the Minister address and accommodate the complexities of each river and each fishery and the historic records of these fisheries in the implementation of the adjustment package?
- (8) What is the timeframe for the preparation and consultation regarding the regulations pertaining to these proposed changes?
- (9) Will there be scheduled reviews during implementation of the adjustment package?
- (10) Is the Minister aware that some commercial fishers are stating they are unable to get answers from the Department on availability of shares, amount of subsidy and other basic questions?
- (11) Will the Minister provide additional resources to the Department to enable them to answer questions from commercial fishers regarding the adjustment package?
- (12) Will active fishers with existing financial obligations based on the historic fisheries activities be able to return to their existing levels as at July 2017?

- (13) Will the 2019 review and Total Allowable Catch committee process result in fishers retaining surplus shares? Can you advise what value the review in 2019 will deliver? Will fishers be required to buy even more shares in 2019?
- (14) Can the Minister guarantee fishers the existing level of catch? If not, why not?
- (15) Will existing fishers be required to incur more debt to maintain their existing level of catch?
- (16) If fishers have their access and effort reduced in this process and have to invest to buy back that investment can the Minister clarify how this process makes the fishers more viable, puts more fish on the tables and secures the fishers access. What component in this process strengthens the linkages?
- (17) Does the linkage process mean that fishers need shares today to work?
- (18) What are the mechanisms to determine
 - (a) Whether some fishers have day restrictions?
 - (b) Whether some fishers have effort restrictions?
 - (c) Whether some fishers have gear and net restrictions?
 - (d) Whether these restrictions are sustainable?
- (19) Was a survey conducted with all fishers within each fishery over the linkage process and the restrictions that it may impose on industry? Will the results of the survey be made public?
- (20) Please list in tabular form the groups and individuals the Minister met with when the restructure package was being prepared. Did the Minister circulate a draft package to all fishers prior to announcing the restructure?
- (21) Can the Minister guarantee that the restructure process will ensure more locally caught fish available for local consumption in New South Wales? If not, why not?

1040 PLANNING—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Minister for Planning—

With regard to your portfolios:

- (1) What was the proposed net effect of the introduction of the Commonwealth Clean Energy Bill 2011 on the New South Wales Budget at the introduction of the New South Wales 2012-2013 Budget?
- (2) What steps did your departments take to source revenue to counter the effect of the Clean Energy Bill?
 - (a) When were these changes removed or rescinded as a result of the repeal of the Clean Energy Bill in July 2014?
- (3) What were the steps that were implemented, in the form of various fees and charges, as a result of the anticipated effect on departmental budgets?
 - (a) When were these changes removed or rescinded as a result of the repeal of the Clean Energy Bill in July 2014?
- (4) Were there any legacy fees or charges, introduced as new in 2012-13 or 2013-14, still in place and still being paid by customers or constituents of New South Wales as a response to the Clean Energy Bill in the 2015-2016 Budget?
- (5) Were there any expanded and increased older fees and charges already in place prior to July 2012 still in place and being paid by customers or constituents of New South Wales as a response to the Clean Energy Bill, in the 2015-16 Budget?

1041 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—

With regard to your portfolios:

- (1) What was the proposed net effect of the introduction of the Commonwealth Clean Energy Bill 2011 on the New South Wales Budget at the introduction of the New South Wales 2012-2013 Budget?
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1042 ATTORNEY GENERAL—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Ageing, Minister for Disability Services, and Minister for Multiculturalism representing the Attorney General—

With regard to your portfolios:

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1043 ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS, EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION—CLEAN ENERGY BILL—Mr Veitch to ask the Minister for Primary Industries, and Minister for Lands and Water representing the Minister for Early Childhood Education, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, and Assistant Minister for Education—

With regard to your portfolios:

- (1) What was the proposed net effect of the introduction of the Commonwealth Clean Energy Bill 2011 on the New South Wales Budget at the introduction of the New South Wales 2012-2013 Budget?
- (2) What steps did your departments take to source revenue to counter the effect of the Clean Energy Bill?
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- (5) Were there any expanded and increased older fees and charges already in place prior to July 2012 still in place and being paid by customers or constituents of New South Wales as a response to the Clean Energy Bill, in the 2015-16 Budget?

1044 LOCAL GOVERNMENT—SWIMMING POOLS—Mr Primrose to ask the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, and Vice-President of the Executive Council representing the Minister for Local Government—

- (1) In May 2013 was the Building Code of Australia amended to provide that, in New South Wales only, the external walls of swimming pools/out-of-ground pool walls could no longer be used as part of the swimming pool barrier, even if they were a minimum of 1200mm in height and fully compliant with all relevant Australian Standards?
- (a) Which agency initiated this proposed change?
- (b) Was a Regulatory Impact Statement undertaken? If so, by which Agency?
- (2) How many swimming pools are there in New South Wales with out-of-ground pool walls as part of the pool barrier?
- (a) Were such pools ever legal in New South Wales, if their construction had been approved by a local government authority?
- (b) Are they legal now?
- (c) If not, what action is being taken to alert the owners of such pools that their pools are illegal?

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