

Question put and passed.

Dr Kaye then moved according to notice: That, under section 41 of the Interpretation Act 1987, this House disallows the National Energy Retail Law (Adoption) Amendment (Retail Price Deregulation) Regulation 2014, published on the NSW Legislation website on 27 June 2014.

Debate ensued.

Question put.

The House divided.

Ayes 19

Ms Barham	Dr Kaye *	Mr Veitch
Mr Buckingham	Mr Moselmane	Ms Voltz
Ms Cotsis	Mr Primrose	Ms Westwood
Mr Donnelly	Mr Searle	Mr Whan
Dr Faruqi	Mr Secord	Mr Wong
Ms Fazio	Ms Sharpe	
Mr Foley	Mr Shoebridge *	* Tellers

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Mr Ajaka	Mr Gallacher	Mr Mason-Cox
Mr Blair	Miss Gardiner	Mrs Mitchell
Mr Borsak	Mr Gay	Revd Mr Nile
Mr Brown	Mr Green	Mrs Pavey
Mr Clarke	Mr Khan	Mr Pearce
Mr Colless *	Mr Lynn	Dr Phelps *
Ms Cusack	Mr MacDonald	
Ms Ficarra	Mrs Maclaren-Jones	* Tellers

Question resolved in the negative.

**14 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS—SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE PLANNING PROCESS IN NEWCASTLE AND THE BROADER HUNTER REGION**

Order of the day read for resumption of the adjourned debate of the question on the motion of Mr Shoebridge: That standing and sessional orders be suspended to allow a motion to be moved forthwith that private members' business item no. 1975 outside the order of precedence relating to a Select Committee on the planning process in Newcastle and the broader Hunter Region be called on forthwith.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Mr Shoebridge then moved: That private members' business item no. 1975 outside the order of precedence be called on forthwith.

Question put and passed.

**15 SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE PLANNING PROCESS IN NEWCASTLE AND THE BROADER HUNTER REGION**

Mr Shoebridge moved, according to notice:

1. That a select committee be established to inquire into and report on aspects of the planning process in Newcastle and the broader Hunter Region.
2. The committee is to consider the role of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, Newcastle City Council, UrbanGrowth NSW, State Government MPs from the region, and the Hunter Development Corporation in the consideration and assessment of:
  - (a) State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) Amendment (Newcastle City Centre) 2014,
  - (b) the Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy,
  - (c) the Mount Thorley Warkworth Extension and the Warkworth Extension mining projects at Bulga,
  - (d) the Whitebridge development plan in Lake Macquarie,
  - (e) DA 2014/323 – Newcastle East End Development, and
  - (f) any related matters.
3. That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, the committee consist of six members comprising:
  - (a) two Government members,
  - (b) two Opposition members, and
  - (c) Mr Shoebridge and one other member of the cross-bench.
4. That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, at any meeting of the committee, any three members of the committee will constitute a quorum.
5. That a committee member who is unable to attend a deliberative meeting in person may participate by electronic communication and may move any motion and be counted for the purpose of any quorum or division, provided that:
  - (a) the Chair is present in the meeting room,
  - (b) all members are able to speak and hear each other at all times, and
  - (c) members may not participate by electronic communication in a meeting to consider a draft report.
6. That the committee report within six months of the date of passing of this resolution.

Debate ensued.

Mr Gay moved: That the question be amended by:

1. Omitting in paragraph 1 “Newcastle and broader Hunter Region” and inserting instead “Lower Hunter,”
2. Omitting in paragraph 2 “State Government MPs from the region” and inserting instead “Lake Macquarie Council,”
3. Omitting in paragraph 2 all words after “Hunter Development Corporation” and inserting instead “in planning decisions in the Lower Hunter, and any related matters, except those concerning mining or the approval of ports and the coal terminal.”

Revd Mr Nile moved: That the question be amended by:

1. Inserting after paragraph 2 (e):
  - “(f) the decision to terminate the Newcastle rail line at Wickham and any proposal to construct light rail including along Hunter and Scott Streets,”
2. Omitting all words in paragraph 3 (c) and inserting instead:
  - “(c) two Cross bench members, Revd Mr Nile and Mr Shoebridge.”
3. Inserting after paragraph 3:
  - “4. That Revd Mr Nile is to Chair the committee.”

Mr Foley moved: That the question be amended by omitting paragraph 2 (c).

Debate continued.

Mr Foley having requested that the amendments be put separately—

Question: That amendment no. 1 of Mr Gay be agreed to—put and negatived.

Question: That amendment no. 2 of Mr Gay be agreed to—put and passed.

Question: That the amendment of Mr Foley be agreed to—put and passed.

Question: That amendment no. 1 of Revd Mr Nile be agreed to—put and passed.

Question: That amendment no. 3 of Mr Gay be agreed to—put and negatived.

Question: That amendment no. 2 of Revd Mr Nile be agreed to—put and passed.

Question: That amendment no. 3 of Revd Mr Nile be agreed to—put and passed.

Original question, as amended:

1. That a select committee be established to inquire into and report on aspects of the planning process in Newcastle and the broader Hunter Region.
2. The committee is to consider the role of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, Newcastle City Council, UrbanGrowth NSW, Lake Macquarie Council, and the Hunter Development Corporation in the consideration and assessment of:
  - (a) State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) Amendment (Newcastle City Centre) 2014,
  - (b) the Newcastle Urban Renewal Strategy,
  - (c) the Whitebridge development plan in Lake Macquarie,
  - (d) DA 2014/323 – Newcastle East End Development,
  - (e) the decision to terminate the Newcastle rail line at Wickham and any proposal to construct light rail including along Hunter and Scott Streets, and
  - (f) any related matters.

3. That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, the committee consist of six members comprising:
  - (a) two Government members,
  - (b) two Opposition members, and
  - (c) two Cross bench members, Revd Mr Nile and Mr Shoebridge.
4. That Revd Mr Nile is to Chair the committee.
5. That, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the standing orders, at any meeting of the committee, any three members of the committee will constitute a quorum.
6. That a committee member who is unable to attend a deliberative meeting in person may participate by electronic communication and may move any motion and be counted for the purpose of any quorum or division, provided that:
  - (a) the Chair is present in the meeting room,
  - (b) all members are able to speak and hear each other at all times, and
  - (c) members may not participate by electronic communication in a meeting to consider a draft report.
7. That the committee report within six months of the date of passing of this resolution—put and passed.

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According to sessional order, it being after 4.00 pm, proceedings interrupted for Questions.

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## 16 QUESTIONS

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Ms Fazio moved, under standing order 56: That the document from which the Minister for Fair Trading was quoting be laid upon the table of the House.

Question put and passed.

Mr Mason-Cox tabled a document entitled “Question without notice: the recent sales of public housing properties at Millers Point.”

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Questions continued.

## 17 PRESENTATION OF ADDRESS-IN-REPLY

The President left the Chair at 5.02 pm until the ringing of the long bell to allow for the presentation of the Address-in-Reply to Her Excellency the Governor at Government House.

The House returned.