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Treasury

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Treasury

Questions from Mr David Shoebridge MLC

1. How much did Treasury contribute in additional funds to the Home Building Compensation Fund in the 2018-2019 financial year?
2. What parameters or policy guidelines exist to allowing icare to underwrite the Home Building Compensation Fund at a loss and what policy classes are being subsidised this way?
3. What is the exact number of workers who have been forced out of the workers compensation system under section 39 because the five-year effluxion has now passed?
 - (a) Please provide figures for each of:
 - i. 2017-18
 - ii. 2018-19
 - iii. 2019-20 to date

Questions from the Hon Mark Buttigieg MLC (on behalf of the NSW Labor Opposition)

Stadium PBO Costing

4. Secretary Michael Pratt gave evidence in Estimates on 29 August 2019 that you raised issue with the independent PBO costing of Labor's stadium loan policy. The PBO confirmed as much in an email to the Secretary dated 29 March 2019, released under GIPA.
 - (a) Please outline the nature of that conversation, and what was discussed, between yourself and the Secretary.
 - (b) What prompted that conversation?
 - (c) Did you ask Treasury to review the costing?
 - (d) Did you ask Treasury to represent your concerns to the PBO?
 - (e) Was that the only time you or your office discussed a Labor policy during the election period?
 - i. Please outline all other interactions during the election period.

- (f) The Caretaker Conventions state that “Ministers should take particular care to ensure that they do not compromise the neutrality of the public service in the lead up to an election.” Please explain how raising a concern about an opposition policy and asking Treasury to represent those concerns to the PBO does not constitute a breach of the Caretaker Conventions?

Value of construction work done – total construction								
Business investment								
Lending to households for dwellings								
Lending to businesses								
Total New Capital Expenditure								
CAPEX intentions								
Job ads								
Job vacancies								
Public sector wages % change year on year								
Private sector wages % change year on year								
Participation rate – national								
Participation rate – NSW								
Underemployment rate - national								
Underemployment rate - NSW								
Employment to Population ratio – National								
Employment to Population ratio - NSW								
Unemployment rate - National								
Unemployment rate - NSW								
Population % change year on year - NSW								

6. Has any work been done by Treasury to review or reevaluate the economic forecasts in the 2019-20 Budget since it was released?

(a) If so, please provide all materials relating to any review of forecasts.

7. Please complete the following table:

	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23
Real state final demand					
Real gross state product					
Employment					
Unemployment					
Sydney CPI					
WPI					
Nominal gross state product					
Population					
Budget result					
Capital expenditure					
Net debt					
Net worth					
Revenue					
Expenses					

For each of the following scenarios. Please provide the closest modelling available for similar movements in the same direction for key economic indicators.

- (a) Higher unemployment
- (b) Higher underemployment
- (c) Higher participation rate
- (d) Lower WPI
- (e) Lower CPI
- (f) Lower house price growth
- (g) Lower house sale volumes
- (h) Lower national GDP
- (i) Lower business investment
- (j) Lower productivity
- (k) Lower dwelling approvals and starts
- (l) Lower RBA cash rates

Infrastructure Cost Allocations

8. Please complete the following table with the amounts of funding already allocated to the below projects, and the estimated total project value.

	Amount already allocated in existing budgets and forward estimates	Estimated project value	Estimated completion date	Current status
<u>TRANSPORT</u>				
Bus Priority Infrastructure Program				
Central Precinct Renewal				
Cycling Investment Program				
Delivering Sydney Clearways				
Digital Systems - Onboard (Fleet)				
Digital Systems- Digital Train Radio System and Fixed Telecommunication Network Updates				
Electrical Substations and Sectioning Equipment Hut Replacement				
F6 Extension Stage 1				
Ferry Fleet Replacement				
Gateway to the South Pinch Points				
Heathcote Road, Bridge over Woronora River				
Heathcote Road, Infantry Parade to The Avenue				
Henry Lawson Drive Upgrade (Stage 1)				
M12 Motorway				
Macquarie University Bus Interchange Upgrade				
Manns Road Upgrade, Stockyard Place to Narara Creek Road (Planning)				
Memorial Avenue, Old Windsor Road to Windsor Road				
Mona Vale Road West, McCarrs Creek Road to Powder Works Road				
More Trains More Services - Stage 2				
More Trains, More Services Future Stages				
Mulgoa Road, Jeanette Street to Blaikie Road				
Muswellbrook Bypass				
Nelson Bay Upgrade - Stage 1				

New England Highway, Belford to Golden Highway Upgrade				
New England Highway, Singleton Bypass				
New England Highway, Tenterfield Heavy Vehicle Bypass (Planning)				
New Hawkesbury River crossing at Richmond (Planning)				
Newcastle Inner City Bypass, Rankin Park to Jesmond				
Newell Highway Overtaking Lanes Package				
Newell Highway, New Dubbo Bridge				
Newell Highway, North Moree Heavy Duty Pavement				
Newell Highway, North Narrabri to Moree Heavy Duty Pavement				
Pacific Highway and Manns Road, Narara Creek Road to Parsons Road				
Pacific Highway, Coffs Harbour Bypass				
Pacific Highway, Wyong Town Centre				
Pacific Motorway (M1), Extension to Raymond Terrace				
Parramatta Light Rail Stage 2				
Princes Highway, Nowra Bridge Replacement over Shoalhaven River				
Princes Motorway Improvements, Bulli Tops to Picton Road Stage 1				
Princes Motorway, Mount Ousley Interchange				
Prospect Highway				
SIS Pinch Point Program (Pinch Point 3 Program)				
Spring Farm Parkway, Stage 1				
Stacey Street Widening between Rookwood Road and Griffiths Avenue				
Sydney Gateway				
Sydney Harbour Bridge Deck Upgrade				
Sydney Metro West				
Sydney Metro Western Sydney Airport (Stage 1)				
The Horsley Drive, M7 Motorway to Cowpasture Road				
Transport Access Program - Commuter Car Parks				
Transport Access Program - Ferry Wharves				
Transport Access Program Package 1B				
Transport Access Program Package 2B				
Transport Access Program - Package 3				
Transport Access Program - Redfern Station Upgrade				
Walking Communities (Pedestrian Facilities)				

Warnervale Link Road, Albert Warner Drive to Pacific Highway				
Western Harbour Tunnel & Beaches Link				
Work Fleet Augmentation and Replacement Program, and Mobile Maintenance Train				
<u>HEALTH</u>				
Eurobodalla Hospital Redevelopment				
John Hunter Health and Innovation Project				
Liverpool Health and Academic Precinct				
Nepean Hospital Redevelopment Stage 2				
Primary and Integrated Care (HealthOne) Strategy				
Rouse Hill Health Service				
Shoalhaven Hospital Redevelopment				
Statewide Mental Health Infrastructure Program				
Sydney Children's Hospital Westmead Stage 2				
Tweed Hospital and Integrated Ambulatory Services Redevelopment				
<u>EDUCATION</u>				
Chatswood Education Precinct				
Cooler Classrooms				
Hurlstone Agriculture High School (Hawkesbury) relocation				
Meadowbank Education Precinct				
More than 170 School Upgrades across NSW				
Sydney Olympic Park new high school				
<u>PRECINCTS</u>				
<u>Bays West</u>				
The Bays Urban Transformation - Bays Market District (Sydney Fish Markets)				
Westmead Precinct				
<u>WATER</u>				
Warragamba Dam Raising				
<u>SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE</u>				
Redevelopment of Stadium Australia				
<u>SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE</u>				
Waterloo Estate Redevelopment - Communities Plus				
<u>CULTURAL INFRASTRUCTURE</u>				

New Powerhouse Museum Parramatta				
Riverside Theatre Redevelopment				
Sydney Opera House - Main Concert Hall Renewal				
The MAAS Project - Ultimo				
JUSTICE				
New Outer South West Sydney Court/Police Precinct				
Police Station Priority Projects				
Regional Court Upgrade Program				
Silverwater Upgrade and Enhancement Project				
Sydney CBD court precinct				

Historical Budget Figures

9. Please complete the below table with historical actual results, and future forecasts for years in the future.

	General Government Sector				Public Non Financial Corporations Sector				Non Financial Public Sector				Public Financial Corporations Sector				Total State Sector			
	Net Operating Balance	Net Lending / Borrowing	Net Financial Liabilities	Net Debt	Net Operating Balance	Net Lending / Borrowing	Net Financial Liabilities	Net Debt	Net Operating Balance	Net Lending / Borrowing	Net Financial Liabilities	Net Debt	Net Operating Balance	Net Lending / Borrowing	Net Financial Liabilities	Net Debt	Net Operating Balance	Net Lending / Borrowing	Net Financial Liabilities	Net Debt
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NFPS Operating Statement

10. NFPS revenues have declined from 85,482m to 83,981 (17-18 to 18-19). What is driving this decline?
11. Within the NFPS revenues, the sale of Goods and Services is down from 14,247m to 13,291m. What is driving this near \$1bn decline?
 - (a) Which agencies are seeing the declines and why?
12. Transaction Expenses are growing from 82,766m to 86,079m. What is driving this increase?
 - (a) Which agencies are realising the cost increases?
13. What assumptions is the government using to justify NFPS Revenues growth of 3.63% (Current 19-20 Budget + next 3 years) over the current budget and forward estimates, and expenses growth of only 3.15% over the current budget and forward estimates given it recently realised a decline in revenues and an increase in expenses which helped create a structural deficit in the NFPS operating statement?
 - (a) NOTE: Can simplify the question to “What assumptions is the government using to justify that NFPS revenue is growing faster than expenses given that it recently realised a decline in revenues and increase in expenses which helped create a structural deficit”

PNFC Operating Statement

14. What assumptions is the government using to justify PNFC Revenues growth of 1.5% (Current 19-20 Budget + next 3 years) over the current budget and forward estimates, and expenses growth of 3.4% over the current budget and forward estimates?
 - (a) Which agencies are seeing the highest increases in expenses
 - (b) Which agencies are seeing expenses growing faster than revenues?

Ministerial Travel/Meal Allowance

15. How many nights travel were claimed by the Minister during the 2018-19 period?
16. How many nights travel were claimed by the Minister’s spouse during the 2018-19 period?
17. What was the total amount of travel allowances claimed by the Minister and their spouse (if applicable) during 2018-19?
18. What is the total amount of meal allowances claimed by the Minister and their spouse (if applicable) during 2018-19?

Efficiency dividends

19. What was the forecast efficiency dividend saving for each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio in 2018-19?
20. What is the forecast efficiency dividend saving for each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio in
 - (a) 2019-20?
 - (b) 2020-21?
 - (c) 2021-22?
21. What was the total efficiency dividend that was achieved for each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio between 2011-12 and 2018-19 inclusively?

Ministerial Office Administration

22. How many staff are in your ministerial office?
 - (a) What was the average salary for staff members in your office during 2018-19?
 - (b) What is the estimated average salary for a ministerial staffer in your office in 2019-20 based on current appointments?
23. How many iPhone/smart phones are assigned to your staff?
 - (a) For each phone, how much was each bill in 2018-19?
 - (b) How many phones have been lost or replaced due to damage in your office?
 - (c) What is the cost of replacing those phones?
24. How many iPads or tablets has DPC assigned to your Ministerial office and to whom have they been issued?
 - (a) What was the cost of providing iPads or tablets to your Ministerial Office in 2018-19?
 - (b) How many iPads or tablets have been replaced due to lost or damage in 2018-19?
 - (c) What was the cost of replacing these devices?
25. Has any artwork been purchased or leased for display in your ministerial office in 2018-19?
 - (a) What is the cost of this?

26. Have any floral displays or indoor plants or pot plants been hired or leased for display in your ministerial office in 2018-19?
 - (a) If so, what was the cost of these items?
27. Have any floral displays or indoor plants or pot plants been purchased for display in your ministerial office in 2018-19?
 - (a) If so, what was the cost of these items?
28. What was the total cost of all subscriptions by you and your staff to news services, newspapers, magazines, journals and periodicals (including online services) in 2018-19?
 - (a) What are these services/newspapers/magazines/journals/periodicals?
 - (b) Who is the subscriber for each of these?
29. What was the total value of all gifts purchased for use by you and your office in 2018-19?
 - (a) What were the gifts purchased?
 - (b) Who were they gifted to?
30. Do you purchase bottled water or provide water coolers for your office?
 - (a) What is the monthly cost of this?
31. How much did your ministerial office spend on hospitality, including catering and beverages, in 2018-19?
32. What non-standard features are fitted to your ministerial vehicle?
 - (a) What is the cost of each non-standard feature?
33. What was the total bill for your office in 2018-19 for:
 - (a) Taxi hire
 - (b) Limousine hire
 - (c) Private hire care
 - (d) Hire car rental
 - (e) Ridesharing services?
34. Were any planes or helicopters chartered by you or your office and paid for with public money in 2018-19?
 - (a) If yes, will you please detail each trip, the method of transport and the cost?

35. Have you had media training or speech training?
- (a) If yes, who paid for it?
 - (b) If paid by taxpayers, what was the amount paid in 2018-19?

Agile Workspaces/Activity Based Working/Hot-desking

36. Have any of your departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies adopted agile working environment/activity based working practices e.g. hot-desking?
- (a) If not, are there plans to introduce activity based working practices in 2019-20?
37. How much have your departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies spent in the roll-out of the agile working environment including laptops, furniture, lockers and other equipment in 2018-19?

Hospitality

38. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:
- (a) How much was spent on hospitality, including catering and beverages, in 2018-19?
 - (b) Whether the department, statutory agency and/or other body has coffee machines? And if so:
 - i. How many?
 - ii. What was their purchase cost?
 - iii. What is their maintenance cost?
 - iv. Who has access to them?
 - v. Which staff have access to the machines?

Labour Hire Firms

39. Do any departments, statutory agency and/or other bodies within your portfolio responsibilities utilise the services of Labour Hire Firms? If yes, please advise in table form for 2018-19:
- (a) The names of the firms utilised
 - (b) The total amount paid to each firm engaged
 - (c) The average tenure period for an employee provided by a labour hire company

- (d) The longest tenure for an employee provided by a labour hire company
- (e) The duties conducted by employees engaged through a labour hire company
- (f) The office locations of employees engaged through a labour hire company
- (g) The highest hourly or daily rate paid to an employee provided by a labour hire company
- (h) Who authorised the use of labour hire companies?
- (i) Do staff under these labour hire arrangements receive as much training and security clearance as permanent staff?

Stationary

40. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) What was the cost of stationary for the following financial years:
 - i. 2015-16
 - ii. 2016-17
 - iii. 2017-18
 - iv. 2018-2019
 - v. 2019-present
- (b) What brand of paper is used?
 - i. Is this paper Australian made?

Credit Cards

41. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) How many credit cards are currently on issue for staff?
 - i. Please provide a break-down of this information by grade.
- (b) What was the value of the largest reported purchase on a credit card for the following financial years:
 - i. 2015-16
 - ii. 2016-17

- iii. 2017-18
 - iv. 2018-2019
 - v. 2019-present
- (c) What was each largest reported purchase for?
- (d) How much interest was paid on amounts outstanding from credit cards for the following financial years:
- i. 2015-16
 - ii. 2016-17
 - iii. 2017-18
 - iv. 2018-2019
 - v. 2019-present
- (e) How much was paid in late fees on amounts outstanding from credit cards for the following financial years
- i. 2015-16
 - ii. 2016-17
 - iii. 2017-18
 - iv. 2018-2019
 - v. 2019-present
- (f) What was the largest amount outstanding on a single card at the end of a payment period and what was the card holder's employment grade?
- (g) How many credit cards have been reported lost or stolen?
- i. What was the cost to replace them?
- (h) How many credit card purchases were deemed to be illegitimate or contrary to agency policy?
- i. What was the total value of those purchases?
 - ii. How many purchases were asked to be repaid on the basis that they were illegitimate or contrary to agency policy and what was the total value thereof?
 - iii. Were all those amounts actually repaid?

- iv. If no, how many were not repaid, and what was the total value thereof?
- (i) What was the largest purchase that was deemed illegitimate or contrary to agency policy and asked to be repaid, and what was the cardholder's employment grade?
 - i. What that amount actually repaid, in full?
 - ii. What amount was left unpaid?
- (j) Are any credit cards currently on issue connected to rewards schemes?
 - i. Do staff receive any personal benefit as a result of those reward schemes?
- (k) Can a copy of the staff credit card policy please be provided?

Media and Public Relations

42. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) How many media/communications/public relations advisers are employed?
 - i. What is the total salary cost for media/communications/public relations advisers in 2018-19?
- (b) What is the forecast for the current financial year for the number of media/communications/public relations advisers to be employed and their total cost?
- (c) What is the total cost of media monitoring services?
 - i. Please provide a breakdown by department, statutory agency and/or other body.
- (d) Are any media or public relations advisers currently engaged as contractors?
 - i. Who are these contracts with?
 - ii. What is the value of these contracts?
- (e) How much was spent on media or public relations advisors in financial year:
 - i. 2015-16
 - ii. 2016-17
 - iii. 2017-18
 - iv. 2018-2019
 - v. 2019-present?

Facebook

43. How much did your ministerial office spend on Facebook advertising or sponsored posts in 2018-19?
44. How much did your department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio spend on Facebook advertising or sponsored posts in 2018-19?

Overseas Trips

45. Were any of your overseas trips in the last financial year paid for in part or in full by using public money?
 - (a) If so, did any of your relatives or friends accompany you on these trips?
 - (b) Have you undertaken any official overseas travel that was privately funded?
 - (c) If so, what was the nature of these trips?
 - (d) Who paid for these trips?

Department/Agency Travel

46. What was the total expenditure in 2018-19 by departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies within your portfolio on:
 - (a) Taxi hire
 - (b) Limousine
 - (c) Private car hire
 - (d) Hire car rental
 - (e) Ridesharing services
 - (f) Chartered flights?

Drivers

47. Are any of the senior executives in the relevant department, statutory agency and/or other body provided drivers?
 - (a) If so, can you please specify which positions are provided drivers?

- (b) In total, how many drivers are used by senior executives in the department, statutory agency and/or other body?
- (c) What is the total cost of drivers for senior executives in the department, statutory agency and/or other body?

Consulting

48. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) How much was spent in legal costs in 2018-19?
 - i. For what specific purposes or matters was legal advice sought?
- (b) Have departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies under your portfolio engaged any consultants to provide the following services or advice in 2018-19:
 - i. Social media
 - ii. Photography
 - iii. Acting training
 - iv. Ergonomics
- (c) What was the cost of these services?
 - i. Social media
 - ii. Photography
 - iii. Acting training
 - iv. Ergonomics

Web Content

49. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) What were the top 20 most utilised (by data sent and received) unique domain names accessed this year?
- (b) What were the top 20 most accessed (by number of times accessed) unique domain names accessed this year?

Department/Agency Staffing

50. How many redundancies were processed by departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies within your portfolio responsibilities during 2018-19?
- (a) Of these redundancies, how many were:
 - i. Voluntary?
 - ii. Involuntary?
51. What was the total cost of all redundancies?
52. Have any staff who received a redundancy in the last two years undertaken any paid work or provided any paid services for the department, statutory agency and/or other body with which they were formerly employed?
- (a) What was the nature of these works/services?
 - (b) What was the total cost of these works or services?
53. Are any staff formerly employed by your ministerial office now employed by departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies under your portfolio responsibility?
54. How many staff were dismissed from departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies under your portfolio responsibilities in 2018-19?
- (a) What were the reason/s for each dismissal?
55. How much was spent advertising for recruitment for the following financial years:
- (a) 2015-16
 - (b) 2016-17
 - (c) 2017-18
 - (d) 2018-2019
 - (e) 2019-present?

Smart Phone

56. How many mobile phones are given to staff or board members?
- (a) How many new mobile phones were purchased in the last year?
57. What is the total cost of these phones for the following financial years:

- (a) 2015-16
 - (b) 2016-17
 - (c) 2017-18
 - (d) 2018-2019
 - (e) 2019-present?
58. How many had to be replaced due to damage?
59. How many were reported as lost?
60. How many tablets are given to staff or board members?
- (a) How many new tablets in the last year?
61. What is the total cost of these tablets for the following financial years?
- (a) 2015-16
 - (b) 2016-17
 - (c) 2017-18
 - (d) 2018-2019?
62. How many phones and tablets had to be replaced due to damage?
63. How many were reported as lost?
64. How many people have both a smart phone and a tablet?
- (a) What is the lowest ranked official who has both a work smart phone and tablet?
65. How many staff or board members overspent on their phone or tablet data bill?
- (a) By how much?
 - (b) What was the average cost of data bills for tablets and mobile phones?
 - (c) What was the highest monthly cost?
66. Do the departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies within your portfolio have an iTunes account?
- (a) What was the total expenditure in 2018-19 on iTunes?
 - (b) What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through iTunes?

67. Do the departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies within your portfolio have a Google Play Store account?
- (a) What was the total expenditure in 2018-19 on through the Google Play Store?
 - (b) What applications/subscriptions/services were purchased through the Google Play Store?

Merchant fees

68. Please provide a list of all transactions where customers need to pay a merchant fee on credit and/or debit card payments to a department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio.
69. Please provide the percentage and/or amount of the merchant fees applied to all credit and/or debit card payments/transactions to a department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio.
70. What was the total amount paid in merchant fees on credit and/or debit card payments to departments, statutory agencies and/or other bodies within your portfolio in 2018-19?

Advertising and Sponsorships

71. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:
- (a) How much was spent on advertising in the following financial years:
 - i. 2015-16
 - ii. 2016-17
 - iii. 2017-18
 - iv. 2018-2019?
72. Has your department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio engaged in any corporate sponsorships?
- (a) Who were these sponsorships with?
 - (b) What was the purpose of these sponsorships?
 - (c) What was the value of these sponsorships, by case and year?
 - (d) What was the value of these sponsorships in the following financial years:
 - i. 2015-16

- ii. 2016-17
- iii. 2017-18
- iv. 2018-19?

Probity Auditor

73. Has your office or department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio used a Probity Auditor or Probity Advisors, or similar, in the past five years? If so please list the company and/or individual, the project, the engagement dates, and their total remuneration in tabular format.

Energy

74. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio by name, how much electricity did it consume for each of:

- (a) 2014-15?
- (b) 2015-16?
- (c) 2016-17?
- (d) 2017-18?
- (e) 2018/19?

75. What proportion of the electricity consumed by each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio by name for those years came from renewable sources? Please name each source of energy (coal, solar, wind, etc.) and the proportion of the total electricity used.

76. How much money was spent on electricity for each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio by name in each of the above financial years?

77. What was the name of the energy supplier to each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio by name for those financial years?

78. How much electricity is it estimated that each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio will consume in:

- (a) 2019-20?
- (b) 2020-21?
- (c) 2021-22?

79. What proportion of that electricity is it estimated will come from renewable sources, for each year?
80. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio by name, please provide the estimated proportion of energy to be used from each kind of energy (coal, gas, solar, wind etc.)?
81. What is the name of the energy supplier to each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio for each of:
- (a) 2019-20?
 - (b) 2020-21?
 - (c) 2021-22?

General Costs:

82. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:
- (a) Any gardening services used for indoor or outdoor pot plants/flowers maintenance?
 - i. Who are the contracts with?
 - ii. How much does each contract cost?
 - iii. How often do they visit?
 - iv. How much was spent on this service in financial year:
 - 2015-16
 - 2016-17
 - 2017-18
 - 2018-19?
 - (b) Any floral displays or indoor plants or pot plants hired or leased for display in any offices?
 - i. Who were the contracts with?
 - ii. How much was each contract cost?
 - iii. How much was spent on this service in financial year:
 - 2015-16
 - 2016-17
 - 2017-18

- 2018-19?

Domestic Violence Leave Policies, Awareness and Usage

83. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:
- (a) A copy of the entity's policy or web link to the entity's domestic violence leave policy;
 - (b) Date of introduction of domestic violence leave into enterprise agreements/contracts of employment, awards as applicable;
 - (c) Whether or not all employees and/or contractors are eligible for domestic violence leave;
 - (d) Number of days of domestic violence leave that have been taken in each financial year since the introduction of such leave;
 - (e) Number of days available for eligible staff to access domestic violence leave in each financial year;
 - (f) Number of other personal days of leave that have been taken in each financial year since the introduction of domestic violence leave;
 - (g) Number of sick days available for eligible staff to access domestic violence leave in each financial year;
 - (h) Whether or not all staff and/or contractors have access to Employee Assistance Programs?
 - (i) What training has been undertaken with management and administration for those involved in approving and/or processing domestic violence leave on issues such as?
 - i. Privacy and confidentiality of information about domestic violence
 - ii. Access to emotional, psychological, financial and medical support which may be required
84. Who has provided training on domestic violence in the workplace?
85. What percentage of staff in each agency has undertaken domestic violence training?
86. What efforts have been made to ensure that perpetrators (or their accomplices) within the staffing profile are not able to access personal information of victims in order to identify their location, or other information which may assist in committing domestic violence against them, including changing or accessing records in such a way as to disadvantage them financially or legally?

Sexual harassment and Anti-bullying training and awareness programs

87. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) Date of introduction of sexual harassment and anti-bullying training and awareness programs and a copy of such documentation.
 - i. Whether or not all employees and/or contractors have received such training?
 - ii. Is this course mandatory for all employees/ contractors?
 - iii. How long for each session, how many sessions?
 - iv. Who delivers it?
 - v. Is the program tailored to take into consideration specific needs of LGBTQIA, ATSI and CALD or other at risk groups?
 - How?
- (b) What percentage of staff in each department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio have undertaken sexual harassment and anti-bullying training and awareness programs?
- (c) How many complaints have been initiated in relation to:
 - i. Sexual harassment
 - ii. Bullying
 - iii. Workplace violence

Participation of women in Government

88. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report:

- (a) What number and percentage of women are employed within the department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio?
- (b) What number and percentage of women are employed within the management levels of the department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio?
- (c) What number and percentage of women are employed in the top ten leadership positions of the department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio?

- (d) What strategies does the department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio use to encourage women in to management and leadership positions?
- (e) What is the gender pay gap within your department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio?
- (f) Does the department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio report participation of women figures to Women NSW on a regular basis?

Professional Photography

89. How much has been spent on professional photography for the following financial years:

- (a) 2015-16
- (b) 2016-17
- (c) 2017-18
- (d) 2018-2019
- (e) 2019-present?

Unmanned Aerial Services

90. How much has been spent on Unmanned Aerial Services for the following financial years:

- (a) 2015-16
- (b) 2016-17
- (c) 2017-18
- (d) 2018-2019
- (e) 2019-present?

Seconded Staff

91. How many staff from your department, statutory agency and/or other body within your portfolio have been seconded to your Ministerial Office, for the following financial years:

- (a) 2015-16
- (b) 2016-17
- (c) 2017-18

- (d) 2018-2019
- (e) 2019-present?

92. Please provide their names, their substantive work title, and their seconded work title.

Consultant Costs

93. For each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio please report, the total expenditure on consultants by financial year:

- (a) 2015-16
- (b) 2016-17
- (c) 2017-18
- (d) 2018-2019
- (e) 2019-present?

94. What are names and values of the five most expensive reports produced by consultancies for each department, statutory agency and/or other body in the Minister's portfolio by financial year:

- (a) 2015-16
- (b) 2016-17
- (c) 2017-18
- (d) 2018-2019
- (e) 2019-present?

Port of Newcastle

95. Is the Treasurer aware that the 2019 NSW Nationals Conference passed the following motion:

"That conference call on the NSW Nationals to ensure:

The removal of all obstacles facing the Newcastle Container Terminal Expansion Plans, including the cap on the number of containers and the State Government fee payable on container exports and The Port's development of a high intensity container terminal."?

96. Does the Treasurer support the motion as passed by the 2019 NSW Nationals Conference?

97. Does the Treasurer agree with the Deputy Premier's comments that western district farmers and primary producers would "absolutely" benefit from a container port at Newcastle?
98. Does the cap on containers at the Port of Newcastle drive up costs of farming exports?
99. Would a container terminal in Newcastle lower freight costs for northern NSW exports?
100. What would be the benefit to western district farmers and primary producers?
101. Would a container terminal in Newcastle remove trucks from the M1 and Sydney's choked road network?
102. What would be the benefit of removing these trucks from the road network and transporting these containers by rail at the Port of Newcastle?
103. If the court finds the cap on containers is anti-competitive and illegal what is the financial implication/impact for the NSW government?
 - (a) Has Treasury modelled the different outcomes of the ACCC court case?
 - (b) What will the port port cost the tax payers of NSW?
104. Does the Treasurer stand by their methods of privatising ports in NSW?
105. This committee has previously been told that a container terminal can be developed in Newcastle, does the Treasurer agree?
106. What is the current container threshold at the Port of Newcastle for which compensations is payable to NSW ports?
107. The Port of Newcastle stands ready to invest \$1.8 billion into a container terminal in Newcastle, will you remove the cap and allow the port to diversify?
108. Has Treasury modelled how many jobs a Newcastle container terminal would create?
109. How many jobs would a container terminal in Newcastle deliver for Newcastle and the Hunter?
110. How many jobs would a container terminal in Newcastle deliver for regional NSW?
111. Would a container in Newcastle reduce freight costs for businesses in Newcastle, the Hunter and Northern NSW?
112. Has Treasury modelled the economic benefit of a container terminal in Newcastle?
113. What would be the economic benefit to NSW of a container terminal in Newcastle?
114. What would be the economic benefit to the Hunter of a container terminal in Newcastle?

115. Is the restriction on NSW ports adding to gridlock in Sydney?
 - (a) If so, what is this impact?
116. Are the restriction placed on the Port of Newcastle effecting the efficiency of the NSW port network?
117. What percentage of containers are moved by road in Sydney?
118. Do you see a benefit for the NSW economy with competition between ports?
119. Are you aware of any anti-competitive restrictions facing the development of a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle?
120. Does the Government charge a legislated fee for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the Government's minimal specified cap?
121. Does the Government charge any fee for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the Government's minimal specified cap?
122. Now the NSW Government has been named as a defendant alongside NSW Ports in the Federal Court case begun in December last year by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, and the State of NSW is now directly accused by the ACCC of "illegal and anti-competitive" conduct in privatising Botany and Kembla to Newcastle's disadvantage – do you believe that the original contract is hugely deficient?
123. Is the fact that the lessee of the Port of Newcastle can develop a container terminal if it wishes to do so, consistent with Government policy that the State's next container terminal will be developed at Port Kembla after Port Botany reaches capacity?
124. What is the government's source of funds to be able to pay NSW Ports Pty Ltd for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the government's minimal specified cap?
125. Did the Government lease the Port of Newcastle to be able to pay NSW Ports Pty Ltd for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the Government's minimal specified cap until 2063?
 - (a) If not, what is the Government's source of funds to be able to pay NSW Ports Pty Ltd for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the Government's minimal specified cap until 2063?

126. On what date did the government inform the ACCC of its decision to require the developer of a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle to pay the government's fee for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the government's minimal specified cap?
127. Do the lease arrangements for the Port of Newcastle reflect the Government's policy that Port Kembla will be the State's next container terminal when Port Botany reaches capacity?
128. Last year, in answer to supplementary question 91, you said "the ACCC was informed of the Port Commitment Deeds prior to the Newcastle Port transaction", on what date was the ACCC informed?
129. Last year, when you were asked supplementary question 126, "on which date did the Government inform the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission of its formal decision to invite Newcastle Stevedores Consortium to develop a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle subject to Newcastle Stevedores Consortium making the Government whole for any cost the Government incurred to NSW Ports in respect of this development?", you did not provide the date. What was that date?
130. What is the government's current cap on container numbers at the Port of Newcastle?
131. Given that there is no legislated cap on the number of containers that can travel through the Port of Newcastle, did the Government make a cap on numbers at the Port of Newcastle a rule for a scoping study into leasing Port Botany and Port Kembla?
132. Was the cap on numbers given as an instruction to the government's financial adviser, Morgan Stanley for conducting a scoping study in the first half of 2012 into leasing Port Botany and Port Kembla?
133. Last year, when you were asked supplementary question 127, "Was a decision made in 2012 to require any future operator of a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle to make the government whole for any cost the government incurred from paying the operator of Port Botany in respect of future container capacity development at the Port of Newcastle?" you advised no, do you stand by that answer?
134. Is the government's decision that the developer of a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle is required to pay the government's fee for exceeding the minimal specified cap on container traffic at the Port of Newcastle, consistent with the government's decision that Port Kembla will be the State's next major container terminal after Port botany reaches capacity?
135. Was the Government required to comply with the "Working With Government Guidelines" as they were replaced in 2012 by the "Public Private Partnerships Guidelines" for conducting its

negotiation with Newcastle Stevedores Consortium at the Port of Newcastle between 2010 and November 2013?

136. Does the Government disagree with the statement by the ICAC in its “Operation Spicer Report” dated August 30 2016 that “as a statutory state-owned corporation, the NPC [Newcastle Port Corporation] was obliged to comply with the NSW Government’s “Working with Government Guidelines”?
137. Was the “Ports Assets (Authorised Transactions) Act 2012” amended to authorise the Government to lease the Port of Newcastle after Port Botany and Port Kembla were leased to NSW Ports on May 30 2013?
138. When the Government leased Port Botany and Port Kembla to NSW Ports on May 30 2013, did the Government have authority to require the developer of a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle to pay the Government for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the Government’s minimal specified cap; and, if so, what was that authority?
139. When the Government amended the Term Sheets with Newcastle Stevedores Consortium in 2013 requiring payment for container traffic above the Government’s minimal specified cap, did the Government ask the ACCC to advise whether this requirement was likely to comply with the “Competition and Consumer Act 2010”; and, if not, why not?
140. Given that the Government’s NSW Freight and Ports Strategy notes that the Port of Newcastle would continue to be NSW’s primary coal export and will continue to service bulk grain and other commodities, how does the Government define the term “container” in respect of charging a fee for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the Government’s minimal specified cap?
141. Do the Port Commitment Deeds for Port Botany, Port Kembla and the Port of Newcastle all include the same meaning of the term “container”?
142. What is the definition of container with respect to the Port Commitment Deeds?
143. Given that the Government charges a fee for container traffic at the Port of Newcastle above the Government’s minimal specified cap, how many “containers” a year were shipped through the port since it was leased?
144. Given that the Government’s transaction team engaged extensively with the ACCC from the early stages of all the port transactions regarding the competition and regulatory framework supporting the transactions, on what date did the Government advise the ACCC of the content of the Port Commitment Deeds for Port Botany and Port Kembla?

145. Given that the Government's NSW Freight and Ports Strategy notes that the Port of Newcastle would continue to be NSW's primary coal export and will continue to service bulk grain and other commodities, why did the government advise this Committee on 22 August 2014 that a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle was "an uneconomic enterprise contrary to market demand" but fail to advise it of the government's fee charged for container traffic above the Government's minimal specified cap?
146. Given that the Port of Newcastle is not prevented from developing a container terminal, would a container terminal be "an uneconomic enterprise contrary to market demand" if the Government abolished its fee charged for container traffic above the Government's minimal specified cap?"
147. Given that the Government's transaction team engaged extensively with the ACCC from the early stages of all the port transactions regarding the competition and regulatory framework supporting the transactions, was the government subject to the "Competition and Consumer Act 2010" in respect to Term Sheets with Newcastle Stevedores Consortium requiring Mayfield Development Corporation Pty Ltd to make the State of New South Wales pay for any cost the State incurred to NSW Ports with respect to future container capacity development at the Port of Newcastle?
148. Given the Government's assurances that there is no cap on containers at the Port of Newcastle - legislative or otherwise - is there competition in the NSW container port market between Port of Newcastle Investments Pty Ltd at the Port of Newcastle, and NSW Ports Pty Ltd at Port Botany?
- (a) If yes, how is the Government supporting this competition?
149. Does Port Botany compete with the Port of Melbourne in the East coast container port market?
- (a) If yes, how many containers for the NSW market are shipped through the Port of Melbourne?
150. What studies has the Government undertaken in relation to competition between the Port of Melbourne and Port Botany in the East coast container port market?
151. Is the government's unlegislated cap on container traffic at the Port of Newcastle consistent with the Government's freight and ports strategy?
152. Is the Government's fee for container traffic above the Government's minimum specified cap at the Port of Newcastle, consistent with the Government's freight and ports strategy?

153. Why does the Government not disclose the Government's fee for container traffic above the Government's minimum specified cap at the Port of Newcastle, in the Government's freight and ports strategy?
154. On what date did the Government inform the Parliament about the Government's fee for container traffic above the Government's minimum specified cap at the Port of Newcastle?
155. In terms of Treasury's leasing process for Port Botany and Port Kembla, before these ports were leased, did the Government inform the ACCC about the Government's intention to pay the lessee for container traffic above the Government's minimum specified cap at the Port of Newcastle?
- (a) If yes, on what date?
156. In terms of Treasury's leasing process for Port Botany and Port Kembla, after these ports were leased, did the Government inform the ACCC about the Government's contractual commitment to pay the lessee for container traffic above the Government's minimum specified cap at the Port of Newcastle?
- (a) If yes, on what date?
157. In terms of Treasury's leasing process for the Port of Newcastle, before this port was leased, did the Government inform the ACCC about the Government's intention to require the lessee to pay the Government's fee for container traffic above the Government's minimum specified cap at the Port of Newcastle?
- (a) If yes, on what date and what did the ACCC advise?
158. In terms of Treasury's leasing process for the Port of Newcastle, after this port was leased, did the Government inform the ACCC about the Government contractually requiring the lessee to pay the Government's fee for container traffic above the Government's minimum specified cap at the Port of Newcastle?
- (a) If yes, on what date?
159. Did Treasury procure information indicating that a container terminal at the Port of Newcastle would be an uneconomic enterprise contrary to market demand, as disclosed by the then Treasurer, The Hon Andrew Constance MP, in answer to supplementary question 53 of the August 22 2015 Budget Committee hearing?
- (a) If yes, what is that information?

Hunter Water Dividend

160. Before the state election in March the Government ruled out stripping an additional \$100 million from Hunter Water but after the election back flipped and took the additional money - why?
161. Considering the government is requiring Hunter Water to pay an additional \$100 million dividend and Hunter Water will need to borrow these funds from TCorp, what is the cost of Hunter Water servicing this debt?
162. Is the \$100 million dollars Hunter Water had to borrow from TCorp listed as an asset for TCorp?
 - (a) If so, then \$100 million borrowed actually boosts the Governments books by \$200 million?
163. Why is the Government stripping an extra \$100 million dollar dividend out of Hunter Water?
164. Will the cost of servicing this debt be passed on to customers?
 - (a) If not, how will the interest be paid?
165. Will the Government be seeking any more additional dividends from Hunter Water this financial year?
166. Will the cost of servicing this debt result in reduced funds in Hunter Water's budget to deliver improved services and infrastructure for their customers, like sewer services to customers in Hexham?
167. Why has the government imposed this water tax on Hunter Water customers?