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## **MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

### **Shark Control**

 **Hon. A PALASZCZUK** (Inala—ALP) (Premier and Minister for the Arts) (2.43 pm): I rise today in this House to make a short statement. I have read the sad media reports today of another shark attack in northern New South Wales. I also note that Premier Mike Baird has announced that he will write to the federal government requesting permission to install shark control gear off New South Wales beaches. This is consistent with the offer I made to New South Wales a few weeks ago. I would be pleased to write to the federal government supporting Mr Baird's request for this permission to be granted.

Any system that is put in place to make people safer in the water has my government's full support. For 50 years we have had a shark control program with only one fatality off a protected beach during that time. I urge the federal government to approve this request immediately.