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## PEOPLE'S HOUSE BILL

### First Reading

 **Mr McLINDON** (Beaudesert—TQP) (12.04 pm): I present a bill for an act to amend the Constitution Act 1867, the Constitution of Queensland 2001 and the Local Government Act 2009 to provide for a people's house in the Parliament of Queensland. I present the explanatory notes, and I move—

That the bill be now read a first time.

Question put—That the bill be now read a first time.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

*Tabled paper:* People's House Bill.

*Tabled paper:* People's House Bill, explanatory notes.

### Second Reading

 **Mr McLINDON** (Beaudesert—TQP) (12.04 pm): I move—

That the bill be now read a second time.

The People's House Bill is the single most important proposed legislation presented to this Legislative Assembly since the abolition of our upper house in 1922. I table a historical research paper.

*Tabled paper:* Information regarding the abolition of the Legislative Council in Queensland.

The model outlines the appointment of 45 local government mayors, including Mackay's very own mayor, Col Meng. I table letters sent yesterday to 73 mayors across Queensland.

*Tabled paper:* Letter, dated 23 May 2011, from Mr Aidan McLindon MP to mayors of Queensland councils in relation to a proposal for the reinstatement of the upper house in Queensland.


*Tabled paper:* Letter, dated 22 July 2010, from Campbell Newman, Lord Mayor of Brisbane, to Mr Aidan McLindon MP in relation to a proposal for the reinstatement of the upper house in Queensland.

This will strengthen cooperation between local and state governments since the terrible injustice of the Local Government Act 2009, which completely undermined the role of our councils. This is the first model in Australia that will include local Indigenous representatives in a state parliament. I have sought input from all mayors and have had an overwhelming majority of support. This has been policy for the conservative side of politics for some 89 years, yet they are still willing to exploit the downfalls—except for a letter from Campbell Newman, who agrees with the reinstatement of an upper house and says that the proposal has merit.

Debate, on motion of Mr Lucas, adjourned.

## ~~REFERENDUM FOR AN UPPER HOUSE BILL~~

### ~~First Reading~~

 **Mr McLINDON** (Beaudesert—TQP) (12.05 pm): ~~I present a bill for an act to provide for a referendum on the People's House Bill 2011. I present the explanatory notes, and I move—~~

~~That the bill be now read a first time.~~

~~Question put—That the bill be now read a first time.~~


~~Motion agreed to.~~

~~Bill read a first time.~~

~~*Tabled paper:* Referendum for an Upper House Bill.~~

~~*Tabled paper:* Referendum for an Upper House Bill, explanatory notes.~~

### ~~Second Reading~~

 **Mr McLINDON** (Beaudesert—TQP) (12.06 pm): ~~I move—~~

~~That the bill be now read a second time.~~

~~(Time expired)~~

~~Debate, on motion of Mr Lucas, adjourned.~~