

~~Transport) Act 1994. This is to achieve the best possible public passenger transport at reasonable cost to the community and the government, while facilitating market entry restrictions in the public interest.~~

~~Specifically, the bill amends the Transport Operations (Passenger Transport) Act 1994 by introducing demerit points against persons guilty of providing a taxi service without a taxi service licence or a peak demand taxi permit. That is another factor that should be taken into consideration here. If you have a taxi licence in Queensland, you are obligated to take calls 24/7. So if it is four o'clock in the morning and a Uber driver does not want to wake up or they want to apply surcharges if they do, you will not be protected from that. If the taxi industry collapses and make no mistake: they are under serious threat of a serious collapse you will be subject to surge pricing. You might be stuck out at the airport at four o'clock in the morning or in the suburbs at three o'clock in the morning because no one can be bothered getting out of bed. Under the current regulations they are made to get out of bed, they are made to provide that service. If this industry is allowed to fall over, which is a very strong risk and a very likely outcome if we do not intervene, that is the outcome we could be facing. We should be ready to explain to all Queenslanders if this bill is not supported.~~

~~The bill also makes consequential amendments to other legislation, as already mentioned. It provides a strong and strategic response to the sustainability of the taxi industry in Queensland. >~~

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First Reading

~~Mr KATTER (Mount Isa KAP) (4.19 pm): 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.~~

Referral to the Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee

~~Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Elmes): Order! In accordance with standing order 131, the bill is now referred to the Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee.~~

<APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL (NO. 2)

Message from Governor



Hon. CW PITT (Mulgrave—ALP) (Treasurer, Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships) (4.20 pm): I present a message from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER: (Mr Elmes): The message from His Excellency recommends the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2015. The contents of the message will be incorporated in the *Record of Proceedings*. I table the message for the information of members.

MESSAGE

APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL (No. 2) 2015

Constitution of Queensland 2001, section 68

I, PAUL de JERSEY AC, Governor, recommend to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled—

A Bill for an Act authorising the Treasurer to pay an amount from the consolidated fund for the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service for the financial year starting 1 July 2014

GOVERNOR

Date: 15 SEP 2015

Tabled paper: Message from the Governor regarding the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2015.

Introduction



Hon. CW PITT (Mulgrave—ALP) (Treasurer, Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships) (4.20 pm): I present a bill for an act authorising the Treasurer to pay an amount from the Consolidated Fund for the Legislative Assembly

and Parliamentary Service for the financial year starting 1 July 2014. I table the bill and the explanatory notes. I nominate the Finance and Administration Committee to consider the bill.

Tabled paper: Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2015.

Tabled paper: Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2015, explanatory notes.

The Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2015 seeks parliamentary approval of supplementary appropriation for unforeseen expenditure incurred by the Legislative Assembly and the Parliamentary Service in the 2014-15 financial year of \$2.934 million. The unforeseen expenditure incurred by the Legislative Assembly and the Parliamentary Service was primarily in relation to one-off expenses for the 2015 state general election, the fire protection system at Parliament House and upgrades to the finance system. Together with the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2015, which is also introduced today, total supplementary appropriation for 2014-15 is \$12.044 million. >

First Reading

Hon. CW PITT (Mulgrave—ALP) (Treasurer, Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships) (4.21 pm): 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.

Referral to the Finance and Administration Committee

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Elmes): Order! In accordance with standing order 131, the bill is now referred to the Finance and Administration Committee.

Portfolio Committee, Reporting Date

Hon. CW PITT (Mulgrave—ALP) (Treasurer, Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships) (4.21 pm): by leave, without notice: I move—

That under the provisions of 136 the Finance and Administration Committee report to the House on the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2015 by 20 October 2015.

Question put—That the motion be agreed to.

Motion agreed to.

~~<APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 2)~~

~~Message from Governor~~



~~**Hon. CW PITT** (Mulgrave—ALP) (Treasurer, Minister for Employment and Industrial Relations and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships) (4.22 pm): I present a message from His Excellency the Governor.~~

~~**Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER** (Mr Elmes): The message from His Excellency recommends the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2015. The contents of the message will be incorporated in the Record of Proceedings. I table the message for the information of members.~~

MESSAGE

~~APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 2) 2015~~

~~Constitution of Queensland 2001, section 68~~

~~I, PAUL de JERSEY AC, Governor, recommend to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intitled~~

~~A Bill for an Act authorising the Treasurer to pay amounts from the consolidated fund for particular departments for the financial year starting 1 July 2014 and to amend the Financial Accountability Act 2009 for a particular purpose~~

~~GOVERNOR~~

~~15 SEP 2015~~

~~*Tabled paper:* Message from the Governor regarding the Appropriation Bill (No. 2) 2015.~~