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The Environment and Resources Committee is a select committee of the Queensland Parliament. It was established by resolution of the House on 23 April 2009 to monitor and report on: environmental protection; climate change; land management; water security; and energy.

# Media Release

## Environment and Resources Committee to examine energy efficiency improvements

Parliament's new Environment and Resources Committee will examine options to encourage businesses and homeowners to take up energy efficiency measures.

Committee Chair, Carryn Sullivan MP says Queenslanders need to value energy efficiency as highly as they now value water efficiency to save money and protect the environment.

"Today, World Environment Day, is a great opportunity to reflect on how we relate to our environment, our energy use and the pollution it causes.

"We would all be better off if we used energy more efficiently.

"Businesses can boost their bottom line by replacing and upgrading energy-hungry buildings, plant and practices.

"On the road we can all save fuel and reduce transport costs and gas emissions by choosing vehicles that give excellent fuel economy.

"At home, everyone can save on energy costs by minimising heating and cooling costs and by choosing energy efficient appliances.

"As much as half the savings in greenhouse gas emissions that we need to achieve by 2050 to protect our environment could be met through energy efficiency measures.

The committee will take public submissions until 14 August. An issues paper for the inquiry is available from the committee's secretariat and from <http://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/erc>.

The committee will report its recommendations to Parliament by 30 November 2009.

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