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1 Meeting of Assembly

The Assembly met at 2.30pm pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (The Honourable J Fouras) read prayers.

2 Petitions

The following petitions, lodged with the Clerk by the Members indicated, were tabled—

Mrs Gamin, from 112 petitioners, praying that the Parliament of Queensland will not move to change legislation regarding abortion and will not allow abortion on demand.

Mr Casey, from 6 petitioners, praying that the proposed dredging of coral be stopped from around the areas of Green Island and Moreton Bay.

Mrs McCauley, from 728 petitioners, praying that the Parliament of Queensland will legislate to prevent interference with the flow of water from the Ban Ban Spring.

Mr Wells, from 88 petitioners, praying that the proposed ministerial rezoning of Lot 891 on the corner of Frost and Essey Streets, Clontarf be reconsidered and that consideration be given to the sale of this land on the open market.

Mr Hollis, from 338 petitioners, praying that the Parliament of Queensland will ensure that adequate and permanent TAFE facilities are established in the Redcliffe area as a matter of urgency.

Mr De Lacy and Mrs Rose, from 120 and 119 petitioners respectively, praying for a review of the procedure under which the Sky-Rail proposal between Cairns and Kuranda has been approved or rejection of the development outright.

Mr Campbell, from 252 petitioners, praying that the Parliament of Queensland will reject plans by the Minister for Health and his Department to reduce the nursing profession’s ability to administer a high standard of patient care.

3 Statutory Instruments

The following statutory instruments were tabled by the Clerk—

Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Act—
   Building and Construction Industry (Portable Long Service Leave) Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 1994, No. 111

District Courts (Venue of Appeals) Act—
   District Courts (Venue of Appeals) Regulation 1994, No. 113

Education (General Provisions) Act—
   Education (General Provisions) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1994, No. 125

Gladstone Power Station Agreement Act—
   Gladstone Power Station (Long Service Leave) Regulation 1994, No. 114
   Gladstone Power Station (Redundancy) Regulation 1994, No. 115

Harbours Act—
   Harbours (Revenue Distribution) Regulation 1994, No. 117
   Harbours (Thursday Island) Amendment By-law (No. 1) 1994, No. 116

Hospitals Foundations Act—
   Hospitals Foundations (Royal Brisbane Hospital Research Foundation) Amendment Rule (No. 1) 1994, No. 126

Industrial Development Act—
   Industrial Development (Narangba Industrial Estate–Roads) Regulation 1994, No. 112

Juvenile Justice Act—
   Juvenile Justice Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1994, No. 119

Local Government (Planning and Environment) Act—
   Local Government (Planning and Environment) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1994, No. 118

Nursing Act—
   Nursing Amendment By-law (No. 2) 1994, No. 120
Queensland Marine Act—
Queensland Marine (Pleasure Yacht Equipment) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1994, No. 122
Queensland Marine (Registration, Survey, Equipment and Load Line) Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1994, No. 121
Transport Infrastructure (Roads) Act—
Transport Infrastructure (Roads) Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 1994, No. 127
University of Southern Queensland Act—
University of Southern Queensland (Honorary Awards) Statute 1994, No. 124
Water Resources Act—
Water Resources (Shire of Emerald) Regulation 1994, No. 123

4 GOVERNMENT PAPERS

The following papers were tabled—
(a) "Minister for Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs (Ms Warner)—
Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody – Progress Report on Queensland Government Implementation to December 1993 (Volumes 1, 2 and 3)
(b) "Minister for Administrative Services (Mr Milliner)—
Government response to Travelsafe Committee Report on safety and economic implications of permitting standees on urban and non–urban bus services
(c) "Minister for Lands (Mr Smith) —
Annual Reports for 1992–93—
Darling Downs–Moreton Rabbit Board
Surveyors Board of Queensland
Rural Lands Protection Act Reform in Queensland – Discussion paper
Valuers Registration Board of Queensland – Annual Report for 1993

5 MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS

(a) "Minister for Justice and Attorney–General and Minister for the Arts (Mr Wells), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to a question asked by Mr Grice.

   Paper: Mr Wells, during his statement, tabled the following paper—
   Legal opinion of the Crown Solicitor concerning whether Mr Grice had committed an offence against the Criminal Law (Rehabilitation of Offenders) Act 1986

(b) "Minister for Family Services and Aboriginal and Islander Affairs (Ms Warner), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Government's progress report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Aboriginal Deaths in Custody.

   Paper: Ms Warner, during her statement, tabled the following paper—
   Statement by the Overview Committee

(c) "Minister for Business, Industry and Regional Development (Mr Elder), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Queensland parliamentary trade delegation to Japan, Korea, Hong Kong and Southern China and the Minister's recent visit to Papua New Guinea.

   Papers: Mr Elder, during his statement, tabled the following papers—
   Report on Queensland Parliamentary Trade Delegation to Japan, Korea, Hong Kong/Southern China, 5–17 March 1994
   Report on overseas visit by Minister for Business, Industry and Regional Development to Papua New Guinea, 19–24 March 1994

6 NOTICES OF MOTION

7 PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr Beanland made a personal explanation refuting comments made by Mr Nunn in the House on Tuesday 12 April 1994.
8 Questions
Questions were asked.

Paper: Leader of the Opposition (Mr Borbidge) tabled the following paper—
Extract from the Report of Members' Pecuniary Interests relating to the Minister for Minerals and Energy (Mr McGrady)

Papers: Minister for Minerals and Energy (Mr McGrady) tabled the following papers—
Facsimiles (2) from Queensland Country Credit Union Ltd confirming details of Mr McGrady's involvement with the Credit Union

Matter of Privilege: Leader of the Opposition (Mr Borbidge) raised as a matter of privilege whether the Minister for Minerals and Energy (Mr McGrady) was in breach of a resolution of the House by not declaring a Director's fee of $2,000 in the Register of Pecuniary Interests.
Mr Speaker undertook to consider the matter and give a ruling at a later date.
Questions continued.

Papers: Premier and Minister for Economic and Trade Development (Mr W Goss) tabled the following papers—
Letter, dated 9 November 1993, from David Barbagallo resigning as Principal Private Secretary to the Premier
Memorandum, dated 9 November 1993, detailing travel arrangements for David Barbagallo and Dennis Atkins for 12–14 November 1993
Details of accommodation and car hire for David Barbagallo and Dennis Atkins for 12–14 November 1993

9 General Business – Special Public Importance Debate
Mr Speaker informed the House that pursuant to the sessional order of 5 November 1992, the Leader of the Opposition (Mr Borbidge) proposed that the following matter of special public importance be submitted to the Assembly for discussion—
“The Government's negligence in failing to adequately address smuggling operations in Cape Melville National Park and the inappropriate involvement of senior members of the Premier's personal staff in events surrounding the seizure of a vehicle in the park”.
The following Members addressed the House—
Leader of the Opposition (Mr Borbidge), Mr Bredhauer, Mrs Sheldon, Messrs Welford and Slack, and Minister for Environment and Heritage (Ms Robson).

Papers: Mrs Sheldon, during her speech, tabled the following papers—
Department of Environment and Heritage, Monthly Financial Reports as at 30 November 1993

Item: Mr Slack tabled the following item—
Photograph of Mr Slack at the Cape Melville National Park boundary

Papers: Mr Slack tabled the following papers—
Memorandum, dated 17 November 1993, relating to the resignation of Rangers Flinders and Monaghan – Temp R2s, Cape Melville National Park
Statement by Patrick Shears relating to a conversation with Army personnel during a surveillance operation in Cape Melville in November 1993

At 4.50pm, the discussion was terminated by Mr Speaker in accordance with the sessional order.

10 Adjournment
Minister for Police and Minister for Corrective Services (Mr Braddy) moved – That the House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and passed.
The House adjourned at 5.20pm.
### 11 Attendance

The following Honourable Members were present:

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