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for

A date to be advised

*The House meets this day at 9.30am*

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NOTICE OF MOTION

(Notice given 5 December 1996)

1 MR HOBBs to move—

   (1) That this House agrees that the Proposal by the Governor in Council to revoke the setting apart and declaration as State forest under the Forestry Act of the area specified in the documents previously tabled this day, be carried out.

   (2) That Mr Speaker convey a copy of this Resolution to the Minister for submission to Her Excellency the Governor in Council.
GENERAL BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

1 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (INTERIM) REGULATIONS (NOS. 2 AND 3) 1996 – Resumption of adjourned cognate debate on the motions of Mr Welford—
   (1) That the Environmental Protection (Interim) Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 1996 (Subordinate Legislation No. 38 of 1996) tabled in the Parliament on 2 April 1996, be disallowed.
   (2) That the Environmental Protection (Interim) Amendment Regulation (No. 3) 1996 (Subordinate Legislation No. 43 of 1996) tabled in the Parliament on 2 April 1996, be disallowed. (2 May 1996, Mr Rowell)

NOTICES OF MOTION

(Notice given 2 April 1996)

1 MR BEATTIE to move – That this House be given a full explanation and list of reasons why Under Treasurer Gerard Bradley, a man who has worked for Coalition and National Party Governments, was removed from his job, and that the same details be given for each and every senior public servant dismissed by this Government.

(Notice given 16 April 1996)

2 MR BEATTIE to move – That this House—
   (a) believes the Cape York Land Use Agreement between pastoralists, conservationists, aborigines and other stakeholders represents a valuable and worthwhile step in solving complex land use problems;
   (b) agrees with the Federal Government that it should be supported;
   (c) agrees with Queensland Country Life that Mr Borbidge’s unwillingness to endorse the agreement could force the whole issue back into a protracted and expensive Mabo-type court battle; and
   (d) recommends the formation of a high level working party to consult with the signatories and develop the agreement to the point where it can take effect.

(Notice given 18 April 1996)

3 MR BEATTIE to move – That this House—
   (a) is deeply concerned that the Treasurer’s capital works freeze and a lack of positive initiatives by the Government is causing economic stagnation, loss of business confidence and loss of jobs and
   (b) believes that the Treasurer should make public all those parts of the major treasury briefing she received on becoming Treasurer which could be considered positive by the business community.

(Notice given 2 May 1996)

4 MR BEATTIE to move – That the Queensland Parliament—
   (a) condemns the Health Minister for—
      (i) removing hundreds of millions of dollars from the hospital rebuilding program to fund unfunded National and Liberal Party election commitments;
(ii) showing contempt of the Parliament by providing a so–called Health Audit Report to The Courier–Mail before providing it to Members of this Parliament;

(iii) an attack on the competence of the Labor Government–appointed Director–General of Health, Dr Robert Stable, over alleged problems with claims for meal allowances and other expenses;

(iv) inferring misconduct on Dr Stable’s part for failure to refer what The Courier–Mail reports as departmental allegations of misconduct to the CJC;

(v) allowing this apparent breach of the Criminal Justice Act to continue; and

(vi) political interference in the Audit Section of Queensland Health where he has ordered 3 separate audits into the department’s Capital Works Branch after the first 2 audits showed a clean bill of health; and

(b) calls on Mr Horan to explain to the Parliament, if he was aware of any allegations of impropriety or misconduct, how he could allow a departmental officer to be fully paid out all of his entitlements, including being given a VER, if the officer concerned was implicated in or under investigation for any impropriety or misconduct.

5 MR BEATTIE to move – That this Parliament—

(a) condemns the incompetent minority Coalition Government for becoming a policy–free zone and instituting reviews at the rate of one a day since the change of Government on February 19 – a total of 74 reviews in 74 days;

(b) notes growing criticism which has led to Queensland becoming known as the ‘State of Indecision’; and

(c) calls on the Government to govern by making the hard decisions instead of prevaricating while the economy goes down the drain.

(Notice given 15 May 1996)

6 MR BEATTIE to move – That the Parliament—

(a) expresses its deep concern about the Borbidge/Sheldon minority Government’s inability to govern and its decision to review everything that is not frozen, earning Queensland the title of the ‘State of indecision’; and

(b) expresses its concern about the inability of Ministers in the Dad’s Army Cabinet to not only demonstrate their inability to answer parliamentary questions but also to effectively work on behalf of the people of Queensland.

7 MR BARTON to move – That the Parliament—

(a) expresses the strongest possible concern at the actions of the National Party during the Mundingburra by–election campaign; and

(b) notes those actions include direct activity in the Concerned Citizens for Mundingburra campaign and inappropriate links to the campaign conducted by the Independent Green and the campaign conducted by the Queensland Police Union.

8 MR FOLEY to move – That the Parliament—

(a) affirms its commitment to the process of reconciliation between Aboriginal and non–Aboriginal Australians; and

(b) urges Queenslanders to support Reconciliation Week between 27 May, the anniversary of the 1967 referendum, and 3 June, the anniversary of the delivery date of the Mabo judgment.
(Notice given 16 May 1996)

9 MS BLIGH to move – That this House—

(a) calls on the Minister for Health to apologise to the Governor for blatant political abuse of her office in the May edition of Health Matters, the official publication of the Queensland Health, in which it is falsely claimed that a set of public service protocols developed and promulgated by the coalition transition to Government team were set out by the Governor; and

(b) calls on the Minister for Health to clarify the status of these so-called protocols in the next edition of Health Matters.

10 MR T SULLIVAN to move – That this Parliament—

(a) condemns the Member for Clayfield and the Minister for Transport for their failure to carry out Coalition promises given to northside residents concerning transport corridors near Junction Road and the construction of the cut and cover solution to the Nundah bottleneck; and

(b) further condemns their inability to convince 16 fellow Cabinet Ministers that the residents of Brisbane’s inner northern suburbs should receive the same treatment as the residents who live near Mrs Sheldon’s motorway and not just be given empty promises.

11 MR PEARCE to move – That this Parliament calls on the Borbidge minority Government not to implement Treasurer Sheldon’s plan to cut funding to the ‘60’s and better’ program which provides many health and recreational activities for thousands of Queensland’s senior citizens, including more than 400 Rockhampton residents.

(Notice given 9 July 1996)

12 MR CAMPBELL to move – That this Parliament—

(a) supports an official tartan for the State of Queensland and

(b) considers the design proposed by Jack Allan of Bundaberg as the official tartan for the State of Queensland.

(Notice given 11 July 1996)

13 MR WELFORD to move – That this House—

(1) notes—

(a) that the Minister for the Environment has previously allowed 10ha of Mahogany Glider habitat to be destroyed despite clear warnings from the landowner that bulldozers were about to go into the area;

(b) that the Minister has not acted to remove the offending landowner from the Mahogany Glider Consultative Committee despite the violation;

(c) a further 100 football fields of Mahogany Glider habitat were this week demolished while the Minister procrastinates over the implementation of the Mahogany Glider Conservation Plan finalised by the former Labor Government in January this year; and

(2) condemns the Minister and the State Government for continuing to breach their responsibility under the Nature Conservation Act to protect the habitat of the Mahogany Glider which is threatened with extinction.

(Notice given 23 July 1996)

14 MR BEATTIE to move – That the Queensland Parliament—

(a) condemns the Treasurer for instituting what she herself has identified as a freeze on Government spending at a Cabinet meeting on 23 February, exactly five months ago today;
(b) deplores the fact that despite all departments supplying their lists of projects to be frozen by 16 March and the Budget Review Committee making a final decision by 10 June, communities have never been given a full list of projects which have been cancelled;

(c) condemns the Government for the enormous damage this freeze has inflicted on construction companies, suppliers and communities in regional Queensland; and

(d) expresses its concern at the fact that many cities and towns have been betrayed by a directionless Government which is not up to the task of running this State.

(Notice given 25 July 1996)

15 MR BEATTIE to move – That this Parliament condemns the minority State Government for its failure and inability to bring forward major projects such as Century Zinc and the Comalco refinery, which were well advanced under the Labor Government and calls on the Government, after five months of inactivity, freeze and review, to stop talking down the economy, provide economic leadership and get this State moving again.

16 MR PALASZCZUK to move – That this House establish an all–party Parliamentary Committee consisting of six (6) members, three (3) from the Government and three (3) from the Opposition with the chairperson having a deliberative vote, to investigate the proposal to grow cotton in the Windorah area and report to the Parliament as soon as possible.

17 MR ROBERTSON to move—

(1) That this House notes that the Minister for Transport and Main Roads has, for the third sitting day running, failed to ensure the delivery of departmental newsletters to the residents of Underwood regarding the proposed widening of the South East Freeway to eight lanes, some two weeks after he announced that this had already been done; and

(2) That this House condemns the Minister for his lack of commitment to ensuring that affected residents are informed about the Government’s plans and that the Minister has completely failed to keep his promise that all residents will be properly consulted about the Government’s proposed “Super Highway” that will have such a devastating impact on the suburbs of Underwood, Springwood and Rochedale.

(Notice given 6 August 1996)

18 MR BEATTIE to move—

That this Parliament expresses concern that the Government is now in its sixth month and the Premier is still unable to produce an economic development strategy statement following the Treasurer’s inability to produce an economic statement in May, and calls on the minority Coalition Government to provide – as a matter of extreme urgency – strong economic leadership and let the business world know if it has an economic plan and an economic development strategy – and, if so, what they are.

19 MR CAMPBELL to move—

That this House notes with regret the reported racist comments of Australian Sports Administrator, Arthur Tunstall and further, that Arthur Tunstall has repeatedly brought shame to Australia by his unacceptable racist remarks and that this House should reconsider Government funding to sports which continue to be associated with Arthur Tunstall as a Sports Administrator.

(Notice given 7 August 1996)

20 MR BEATTIE to move – That this Parliament condemns the broken promises of the minority Coalition Government and its betrayal of the people of Queensland in breaking its election promises, including—
(1) promising not to remove common law rights under the Workers’ Compensation scheme which it has now done;
(2) promising not to privatisate school cleaning – now more than 5,000 people will be jobless by Christmas;
(3) promising not to cut the budget of the Department of the Environment where 100 people have already lost their jobs;
(4) promising to immediately increase police numbers – but July’s intake of 40 recruits at the Police Academy was cancelled;
(5) promising 80 new police would emerge from a new academy in Townsville in the first year of Government – but not one new officer will emerge to pound the beat;
(6) promising not to introduce new or increased taxes and charges – but compulsory third party insurance rose by a whopping $66;
(7) promising to save the extremely rare mahogany glider as part of a $16m Federal/State plan to protect its dwindling patch of rainforest home which, in fact, has come crashing down;
(8) promising not to sell off the family silver – but Suncorp and QIDC are being sold;
(9) promising that the public service could ‘relax’ because there would be no purge – but a $300m purge is taking place;
(10) promising freedom of information would be made easier – but this Government has put up new barriers to hide the truth of what it is conspiring to do; and

Calls on Premier Borbidge and Treasurer Sheldon to ensure that promises be kept in line with the Contract with Queensland made by the Premier on 3 July 1995.

21 **MS EDMOND** to move—

(1) That this House condemns the Health Minister for—
   (a) failing to adequately answer a question in this House about the deep concerns raised by health workers that hundreds of sick people, including children, were denied proper treatment at the Yarrabah Hospital over the weekend in the face of a severe flu epidemic;
   (b) subsequently dismissing concerns of local people who had been turned away from Yarrabah Hospital without proper medications because the Cairns Base Hospital had run out of panadol supplies, describing the situation as a beat–up despite confirmation of the crisis by the Cairns District Health Service reported in *The Cairns Post* on 6 August 1996;
   (c) failing to deliver the very basic of health services to local communities in regional Queensland as a result of decisions taken by the Minister to reduce funding to community health designed to provide health care close to where people actually live.
   (d) failing to instruct the Cairns District Health Service to immediately resolve the shortfall by purchasing emergency supplies of panadol from local suppliers or pharmacists; and

(2) calls on Mr Horan to explain to the Parliament why he allowed this health crisis at Yarrabah to continue for over three days; and ask him to apologise to health workers, doctors and patients caught in the middle of this disgraceful example of bureaucratic red tape.

22 **MR BREDHAUER** to move—

That this House notes today’s national day of action by the higher education sector, including students, staff and lecturers from all Queensland Universities to protest against funding cuts by the Federal Government and

That this Parliament supports the campaign and calls on the Federal Government to honour its election promise not to cut funding for higher education.
MR CAMPBELL to move—

That this House congratulates our Australian Olympic athletes on their magnificent performances at the Atlanta Olympic Games and on winning the most medals ever in the history of our nation’s participation in the Olympics and that we congratulate all of our Queensland-based athletes on their sportsmanship and achievements, especially our medal winners—

Kieren Perkins, Susie O’Neill, Cathy Freeman, Samantha Riley, Daniel Kowalski, Katrin Borchert, Anna Wood, Baeden Choppy, Tanya Harding, Joyce Lester, Carolyn Crudington, Frankie McRae, Haylea Petrie, Jenny Whittle, Nicole Stevenson, Renita Farrell, Clover Maitland, Jennifer Morris, Kim Cooper, Sandy Brondello and Clint Robinson

And that this House urges all patriotic Queenslanders to attend the ‘welcome home’ parades planned in Brisbane and on the Gold Coast.

(Notification given 8 August 1996)

MR ROBERTSON to move—

That this House notes that of the 16 major capital works projects in Queensland schools, listed by the Premier in this House on 5 August—

2 of the projects were listed twice; 12 of the 14 or 86% of the remaining projects are located in National and Liberal Party electorates; and only 2 of the projects are located in Labor Electorates.

That this House condemns the Premier and the Minister for Education for the blatant porkbarrelling of coalition electorates at the expense of students in Labor areas and agrees that the capital works freeze for major education projects for over 90% of Queenslanders is very real, as proven by the figures quoted by the Premier.

(Notification given 4 September 1996)

MR CAMPBELL to move—

(1) That this House views with grave concern the national salmonella food poisoning outbreak traced to the Kingaroy based peanut processor and notes the paper presented to the Australian Institute of Environmental Health State Conference stating there is a substantial under-reporting and inadequate investigation of food-borne illnesses and that the food inspection system was outdated and needed an overhaul; and

(2) That this House places the utmost importance on a high standard of hygiene to ensure the public health and to protect the export market ‘clean food’ image of Queensland.

(3) Therefore, this House will establish an all-party select committee to inquire into and make recommendations concerning the hygiene of food processing, including prepared and take-away foods, food handling, adequacy of inspection and testing procedures, reporting of food poisoning cases, public warning procedures and any other matter concerning food hygiene; and

(4) That the select committee report to the House by the end of February 1997.

(Notification given 10 September 1996)

MR BEATTIE to move – That this Parliament condemns the Premier for his clear and unequivocal breach of commitment to Queensland tobacco growers in September 1992 when he said, “I’m on the side of the Queensland tobacco growers. There will be no increase in the State’s tobacco tax in the first time of a National Party led Coalition Government.”
27 MR FOLEY to move – That this House congratulates the organisers of the Brisbane Festival for achieving an outstanding success in the inaugural festival.

28 MR CAMPBELL to move – That this House congratulates our Australian Para–Olympic athletes on their magnificent performance at the Atlanta Para–Olympic Games and on winning the most medals ever in the history of our nation’s participation in the Para–Olympics and that we congratulate all of our Queensland–based athletes on their sportsmanship and achievements and I would personally like to congratulate Bundaberg Para–Olympian Tracy Oliver on her silver medal and all other Queensland Para–Olympians on their great performances.

29 MR NUTTALL to move – That this House censure the Minister for Public Works and Housing in relation to the manner in which he handled the increase in rent for pensioners living in Senior Units in the Sandgate electorate.

Further, that the House notes that the Minister has failed in his duty by instructing his department to ignore its own policy guidelines in relation to rent increases calculated using the market rate system.

The Parliament calls on the Minister to overturn his original decision and do the right and just thing by the pensioners living in Senior Units in the Sandgate Electorate and phase in the rental increases.

(Notice given 11 September 1996)

30 MR ROBERTSON to move—

(1) That this Parliament condemns the disgraceful and racist comments by the Member for Oxley, Mrs Pauline Hansen, during her maiden speech to the Federal Parliament.

(2) Of the many offensive and untrue assertions made by the Member for Oxley, this Parliament in particular rejects the statement that “Australia is in danger of being swamped by Asians and that they form ghettos and do not assimilate”.

(3) This Parliament views with grave concern the continuing racist campaign by Mrs Hansen and the potential for her comments to hurt and offend many thousands of Australians with Asian backgrounds and damage relations with our major trading partners in the Asian region which are so important to this State’s continuing economic growth, prosperity and ability to generate employment.

(Notice given 12 September 1996)

31 MR BEATTIE to move – That this Parliament condemns the decision by the Government to censure the operations of the Estimates Committees by excluding television cameras and stations from reporting the deliberations of these Committees in the same way that Parliament is covered on a daily basis.

Parliament notes that this is being done to hide the Treasurer from being accountable to the people of Queensland for her Budget.

32 MR WELFORD to move – That this Parliament—

(1) expresses its deepest regret and disappointment at the Coalition Government’s sudden decision to sell off Fleay’s Wildlife Park at Burleigh Heads on the Gold Coast and in doing so, betraying the trust of one of our State’s greatest wildlife naturalists, Dr David Fleay;

(2) apologises to the Fleay family, the shocked and loyal staff of the sanctuary and the thousands of Queensland mums, dads and their children who can no longer rely on this Government to hold such solemn bequests in safe custody for the people of Queensland; and

(3) calls on the Minister for Environment and the Premier, himself a Gold Coast representative, to reconsider this tragic proposal, respect the bequest of Dr David Fleay who made a gift of this sanctuary to our State for the benefit of all
Queenslanders, not a private entrepreneur, and fulfil their responsibility to protect and hold this icon of Queensland wildlife parks in public hands in trust for our children now and in the future.

(Notice given 8 October 1996)

33 **MR DOLLIN** to move – That this House—

(a) takes note of the deceptive statements by the Minister for Primary Industries in relation to the Minister’s position on the lock-up of 15 per cent of all native forests existing in Queensland prior to the year 1750; and

(b) condemns the Minister for misleading the timber industry and being untruthful in stating that the Goss Labor Government had signed the agreement.

(Notice given 11 October 1996)

34 **MR FOLEY** to move – That this House—

Notes that the Heiner Inquiry was so poorly constituted that it led to Crown Law advice that people giving evidence to it could be sued for defamation, a problem which led to the forced closure of the inquiry;

Condemns the Government for having excluded from the terms of reference of its inquiry an examination of this gross error by the National Party Government in 1989;

Calls on the Government not to waste any more of the public’s money on further inquiries into the issue;

But instructs that, if more money is wasted on yet another inquiry into this farce, the Government do the job properly by including in the terms of reference an examination of the National Party Government’s role in causing the ensuing problems;

Further, that this House—

Notes that page 208 of the Morris Report lists all the eminent lawyers who had already examined the allegations of Mr Harris and Mr Reynolds, saying that, “If there is any substance at all in the allegations made by Mr Harris and Mr Reynolds, that can only be on the basis that there is a widespread web of corruption which not only exists within the Queensland Police Service, but which extended or extends to the Fitzgerald Inquiry, the Office of the Director of Prosecutions, the Criminal Justice Commission, the Parliamentary Criminal Justice Committee and at least two officers of the New South Wales Police.”; and

Deplores the fact that this Government was so blinded by its desire to embarrass the former Labor Government that it, too, believed there was substance in the allegations; and

Calls on the Government to reveal how much public money was spent on this ridiculous goose chase.

(Notice given 29 October 1996)

35 **MR ROBERTSON** to move—

That this House notes the denial of the right to free speech and expression by the organisers of the Pro–Hansen rally on the Gold Coast last night, by refusing entry to fellow Australians who hold contrary views to those espoused by the Member for Oxley and her supporters; and that given the ongoing and increasingly irrational and damaging anti–immigration debate, this House calls on Prime Minister Howard to demonstrate leadership in defending a tolerant, cohesive and multi–cultural Australia and take a strong stand against those who actively discriminate against Australians of Aboriginal and Asian descent.
MR ROBERTSON to move – That, in light of evidence of increasing racial intolerance and acts of racial vilification and violence, this Parliament calls on the Prime Minister of Australia and the Premiers and chief Ministers of all Australian States to use tomorrow's Council of Australian Governments meeting in Brisbane to provide leadership and use this unique opportunity to make a unanimous and unequivocal statement calling on all Australians to stand as one against those who intentionally or otherwise seek to divide our nation by their ongoing insensitive and offensive attacks on fellow Australians of Aboriginal and Asian descent.

MR WELFORD to move – That this House notes—

(1) that the Federal Minister for Environment told a Townsville meeting of the Dugong Review Group on 4 October 1996 that he "would like the Commonwealth and Queensland Ministers for Environment to be able to consider a package of emergency measures ... at the Great Barrier Reef Ministerial Council" to be held at the end of this week;

(2) that the State Government has not given any undertaking to support such measures;

(3) that the Federal Minister, emphasising the need for “urgent contributions to dugong protection", stated that if the parties "cannot voluntarily and co-operatively take the necessary action to protect dugong then the Commonwealth will be left with no option" but to “take further action itself”; and

calls on the Minister for Environment, Mr Littleproud, and the Government to support the immediate implementation of a package of emergency measures, including at the minimum the immediate termination of gill-netting operations throughout the dugong’s habitat and range within the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area.

MR WELFORD to move – That this House condemns the Minister for Environment for misleading this House, agricultural, grazing and other rural industries and the people of Queensland, with his repeated false claims that the revenue from the new oil and tyre levies will be allocated to the management and recycling of oil and waste tyres when the truth is that the anticipated $25m revenue will go into consolidated revenue or subsidies to industry with no direct benefit to recycling or waste reduction.

MS BLIGH to move – That this House—

(1) Expresses grave concern about the Government’s secret agenda for the Queensland public sector, including—

• the introduction of Competitive Service Delivery requirements for all Budget sector agencies;
• the introduction of a purchaser/provider split in the delivery of public services;
• the introduction of radical new models of service delivery, including contractual franchising, voucher payments and direct social payments; and

(2) Further, notes that the Government has no mandate for the implementation of this agenda and calls on the Government to put an immediate halt to the development and implementation of these proposals until a comprehensive Government discussion paper has been prepared and released for public consultation.

MR CAMPBELL to move—

That this House notes with concern the suspected food related viral infection outbreak of passengers travelling on a Brisbane to Townsville Ansett flight last week, and that during the month of November—
• the confirmed 500–plus passengers contracting salmonella poisoning on 14 Qantas flights out of Cairns;
• the 80 students and 9 teachers at Park Ridge High School who suffered food poisoning at a Brisbane Hotel;
• the 84 Townsville people who suffered food poisoning from eating chicken at seven different functions;
• the food poisoning outbreak in Toowoomba;

and acknowledges the growing loss of public confidence in the food hygiene, food inspection systems in Queensland, the concern for the ‘clean image’ of our food exporting industries and the damage being done to our tourism industry;

and condemns the State Government for its inaction and refusal to debate and establish an all–party select committee to inquire into this matter as I proposed to the House on 4 September 1996.
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The following questions were asked on Thursday, 30 January 1997. Answers are required by Sessional Orders to be hand delivered to the Bills and Papers Office, Room A.18.1, Parliament House by 5pm on Monday, 3 March 1997.

71 MS SPENCE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE (MR LINGARD)—

With reference to his appointment of former Liberal Senator Neville Bonner to chair his Indigenous Advisory Council—

(1) As this is only an advisory body why is there a need to establish a permanent office for Mr Bonner in the city at a cost of $250,000 and employ him on a two year full time contract?

(2) What other advisory bodies does he have that have a chairman on a similar appointment with similar facilities?

(3) What salary will Mr Bonner be paid during this two year contract and what other components will make up his contract package?

(4) What other staff will Mr Bonner have at his disposal and what designation will they be?

(5) What operational budget does he intend to allocate Mr Bonner’s council to, as he put it “make a genuine difference”?

72 MR ROBERTSON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR GILMORE)—

With reference to Central Queensland Economic Audit issued in November 1996 by Coopers and Lybrand which states that “Queensland’s peak demand for electricity is expected to outrun the current generating capacity in the State by 1998” and I note that his decision to scrap Eastlink pushed back interconnection with the electricity supply in other States from January 1998 to some time in 2001, and that he will not bring any new sources of generation on stream until the year 2000—

Will he now accept that his politically motivated decision to scrap Eastlink has exposed the State’s industry to a shortfall in power supply that may take years to overcome?

73 MR HOLLIS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to his intention to issue new permits in Moreton Bay in 1997 for whale watching—

(1) If it is his intention to commission research by organisations such as the Pacific Whale Foundation and James Cook University to better understand whale movements in Queensland waters and to place these in a regional perspective and as he has often stated “he has no evidence to suggest that issuing additional whale watching permits in Moreton Bay will not have an adverse effect on migrating humpback whales” why doesn’t he delay the issuing of further permits in 1997, until he has the results of this research to assist him in making the necessary decisions?

(2) If as he states he has no evidence to suggest that issuing additional whale watching permits in Moreton Bay will not have an adverse effect on migrating humpback whales why isn’t he implementing the precautionary principle embodied in conservation legislation under his control and delaying the issuing of further whale watching permits until he has better information on which to base that decision?

(3) How many of the whale watch operations along the New South Wales coast are land based observation points and how many are water based along the lines of Hervey Bay?

(4) Who will be the key stakeholders consulted when the draft Cetacean Conservation Plan is finalised?
74  **MR SMITH ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—**
With reference to his decision to cut funds to the northern based Tropic Line Theatre from $31,000 to nil for 1996–97—

(1) In view of the fact Tropic Line has accomplished everything that was expected of it, including 11 productions for the year to the satisfaction of the northern community, why has he denied funds to this professional regional-based group – in fact, the only professional theatre group outside Brisbane?

(2) Is he aware that it is considerably less expensive for people in Brisbane to travel to Sydney to pursue theatre interests than for people to travel from Townsville to Brisbane for the same purpose?

(3) Does he have any idea how bitterly people in regional Queensland, and in particular North Queensland, resent the disparity in funding for the arts between Brisbane and the more distant regions of this State?

(4) Does he realise that Central and Northern Queensland are relatively speaking the worst served significant population group in Australia in terms of cultural opportunities?

(5) Will he seriously re-examine this disgraceful funding disparity with a view to giving the tax-paying citizens of North Queensland better value for their tax dollar?

75  **MR BEATTIE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—**
With reference to plans by Transpacific to establish a private regional hazardous waste treatment facility at Narangba to become operational in May—

(1) Is this correct and has the facility been licensed by the Department of Environment?

(2) Is the location of this facility at Narangba consistent with the areas zoning and have nearby residents been consulted on this impending development?

(3) What waste streams and in what volumes will this plant be treating?

(4) Have Transpacific requested that the Gurulmundi Landfill Act be amended to allow some of their wastes to be dumped there; if so, what response did they get?

(5) If they are unable to use Gurulmundi as a dump site how does he see them expanding their Narangba operation to its full potential?

76  **MR HAMILL ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MRS SHELDON)—**
With reference to her responsibility for overall budget management—

For each department and agency, (a) what proportion of their current (1996–97) budget was expended as at 31 January 1997, (b) what proportion of their capital (1996–97) budget was expended as at 31 January 1997 and (c) what proportion of their total (1996–97) budget was expended as at 31 January 1997?

77  **MRS BIRD ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (MR CONNOR)—**
With reference to a number of recent trips where he has either made use of the Government air-wing or chartered planes—

Will he detail (a) names of those who travelled with him on each trip, (b) in what capacity they travelled and their employment details, (c) where the trip was overnight, what the costs were and who paid for accommodation and meals, (d) what other costs were incurred, (e) total cost of each trip and (f) if any money was recouped from other organisations?

78  **MR PEARCE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—**
With reference to the New Extended Drug Package, formerly known as the Remote Area Drug Package—
Notice Paper for next sitting day (to be advised)

(1) When will a training program be commenced for the upgrading of QAS officer skills in the administration of drugs allowed under the Extended Drug Package?

(2) The Central Region of the QAS has, according to a previous answer to a Question On Notice, 100 officers trained in the provision of i.v. fluid resuscitation. How many of these officers are located in QAS stations outside Rockhampton and Mackay?

(3) What is the criteria used to deploy QAS officers trained in the provision of i.v. fluid resuscitation to selected rural locations in the region, and why don’t all patients deserve the same level of service?

(4) Will relief staff for training purposes be provided to QAS stations in rural locations where the Extended Drug Package has the support of local medical practitioners?

79 MR PURCELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to his new Estuarine Crocodile Management Plan—

(1) How are problem crocodiles defined under this plan and does a length measurement apply?

(2) Will commercial crocodile farm operators who capture problem crocodiles be allowed to slaughter these animals and market them or will they be restricted to breeding from them only?

(3) Will commercial crocodile farm operators be allowed to identify problem crocodiles for removal or will this responsibility be retained by Department of Environment staff?

(4) How many problem crocodiles were identified and removed in 1995 and 1996 from Queensland waters?

(5) How many of these were released back into the wild and how many were placed on crocodile farms?

80 MR J SULLIVAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR GILMORE)—

With reference to plans by Pioneer Concrete to spend $17m establishing a major quarry in the Wolfdene area—

(1) Where is this quarry to be located and what area of land will it occupy?

(2) What are its projected annual outputs and what consultation has been conducted with nearby land owners, residents and the local authority?

(3) What environmental assessment has been conducted to date on this proposal and what is planned to occur prior to the projects startup?

81 MS ROSE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to the recently completed review of management of Fleay’s Wildlife Park on the Gold Coast—

(1) Who conducted this review, at what cost and where were the funds drawn from?

(2) Will he rule out any possibility of selling the park or allowing the Currumbin Sanctuary to take over its management?

(3) Were the family of Dr Fleay consulted during the review and are they in agreement with its findings?

(4) If the review involves staff changes, will he give an undertaking that the present staff will be guaranteed positions within the Department of Environment?

(5) Is the report publicly available; if not, why not?

(6) What are the recommendations of the review?
82 **MR DOLLIN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

With reference to his recent announcement to bring forward the opening of a $10m cardiac unit at the Princess Alexandra Hospital—

1. What is the capital cost of this initiative?
2. What is the recurrent cost?
3. How much does he expect the 500 open heart procedures in the first year of the new facility’s opening to cost or can he give a figure for the average cost per open heart surgery procedure?

83 **MRS WOODGATE** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to the initial four projects identified by the Federal Environment Minister as being of the highest priority for Green Corps funding—

1. What role did he, his department, his personal staff or the Borbidge Government generally play in helping select these four projects?
2. What criteria was used, who were the State personnel involved and what were their qualifications to equip them to make such decisions?
3. Does he regard revegetating one bank of the Ross River in suburban Townsville which quite co-incidentally borders the electorate of Mundingburra, as among the highest priority environmental projects requiring funding in this State?
4. Why wouldn’t the Coastcare program be a more suitable funding source for replanting mangroves in the Tinchi Tamba wetlands in suburban Brisbane?
5. Was his “refunding” of the Lake Eacham rainforest nursery in the same week a Green Corps project to revegetate a watercourse in the Malanda area was announced sheer co-incidence or a case of gross political embarrassment?
6. Why wouldn’t the Landcare program be a more appropriate funding source for revegetation of the headwaters of the Condamine River?

84 **MR MILLINER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to the death of a second northern hairy-nosed wombat in captivity in the Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo—

1. Was a post mortem carried out on this animal; if so, what was the cause of death?
2. What sex and approximate age was the animal and when was it captured?
3. Under what conditions was the animal being held at Western Plains particularly with regard to underground facilities and feeding?
4. What State Government funds had been spent on designing and building these facilities and general husbandry of this animal?
5. How many other northern hairy-nosed wombats are being held by Dubbo and do they hold current permits to trap more; if so, how many and of what sex?
6. How many wombats have to die as a result of this ill conceived scheme before he will agree with the previous Labor Government and order its scrapping?

85 **MR BRISKEY** ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—

With reference to work that had been done in his department on a new Coroners Act, and especially to the proposal that the new Act should contain adequate provisions for record keeping that would assist in the identification of causes of accidental death and death by misadventure, as well as information regarding causes of fires—

1. Does he propose to progress this matter; if so, will any initiative he takes include the establishment of an extensive statistical and accident prevention policy unit in the Coroner’s office?
(2) What time lines does he propose for some action to be taken on this issue?

86 MR MULHERIN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to the ongoing problems caused by the burning of black agricultural plastic in the Bowen area of North Queensland—

(1) What number of complaints have been received in the department’s Townsville office in 1995 and 1996 regarding this matter?

(2) Why has he amended the draft Environmental Protection (Air) Policy to delay until 1 January 1998, the application of its provisions to horticultural activities which burn black plastic?

(3) What has happened to the departmental/plastics industry working group which was working towards a viable solution to this problem over twelve months ago?

87 MR CAMPBELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR SANTORO)—

With reference to backpacker establishments arranging work for backpackers while in Queensland, if backpacker establishments are doing so—

(1) Do they need to be registered under any act for doing this arrangement of work; if so, what are the specific requirements for their registration and operation?

(2) If they are receiving payment for arranging work, do they have a legal obligation to ensure correct wages and conditions are provided?

(3) If transportation is provided for this arranged work and payment received, does this require the backpacker establishment to be registered under any act?

(4) Are any of the Bundaberg or Childers backpacker establishments registered in any way as an employment agency to arrange work under Queensland laws?

(5) What are the penalties for establishments operating as employment agencies and not registered?

88 MR ROBERTS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to backpacker establishments—

Are any of these establishments receiving payments for transport of backpackers to and from workplaces; if so, (a) do the backpacker establishments need to be registered as a bus operator; if so, what are the requirements for registration of bus operators of this nature, (b) which backpacker establishments are appropriately registered to undertake such transport and (c) what penalties are there for unregistered bus operators?

89 MR MCGRAedy ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to the Mt Isa Greyhound Club and a Show Cause Notice given to the Club by the Greyhound Racing Authority and as all the questions have been answered, with proof that the club should continue to operate—

(1) What is the situation with regard to the Mt Isa Greyhound Club?

(2) What does the Government propose to do with the Mt Isa Greyhound Club?

90 MR T SULLIVAN ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to the Weekend Australian on 30 November 1996 where he said and I quote “It is not Government policy to be advocating increases in electricity tariffs for domestic consumers whilst industry is given substantial concessions” and I note the report of his Electricity Task Force which estimates that their recommended removal of cross-subsidies would increase domestic electricity prices by 14 per cent and reduce prices faced by commercial consumers—
Does this mean his statement in November was wrong and, in fact, it is now the practice of his Government to increase domestic electricity tariffs while giving industry substantial concessions?

91 **MR BARTON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—**

With reference to his failure to acquire a portion of the Bayview Country Estate for conservation of the area’s koalas—

(1) Why did he obtain a private valuation of this land when standard Government practice is for the Natural Resources Department to supply such valuations?

(2) What were the two valuations which were used in negotiations with the land owner, and is the owner aware that two different Government valuations exist?

92 **MR LUCAS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (MR CONNOR)—**

With reference to the proliferation of different water usage charging regimes operated by local councils throughout the State and uncertainty for tenants both public and private—

(1) What recommendations has the Residential Tenancies Authority made for dealing with the issue?

(2) What legislative and/or administrative steps does he propose to deal with the issue for (a) private rental tenants and (b) public rental tenants?

93 **MR SCHWARTEN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY (MR PERRETT)—**

With reference to his recent announcement that he intended to legalise the taking of blue swimmer crabs by trawling, viz allowable catch of 100 in Moreton Bay and 1000 outside—

(1) Why has he set the above limits given QFMA’s recommendation that catch limits should be restricted to 60 and 600?

(2) As pot sandcrabbers are claiming that the above decision will ruin their industry, what considerations is he giving to these claims and what evidence does he have to refute these claims?

(3) Why did he not wait for the completion of the TRAWLMAC Discussion Paper before he made his announcement?

(4) What steps does he intend to take to enforce the proposed limits?

(5) Why did he single out sandcrabs and ignore the other by-catch products such as Moreton Bay Bugs and squid?

94 **MR WELFORD ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—**

With reference to a Waste Management Industry forum held on 4 December 1996 in Brisbane at which the prospect of a hazardous waste supermarket being sited at Swanbank was discussed—

(1) Why was neither the Department of Environment nor the Ipswich City Council represented at the forum, bearing in mind that both the Department of Tourism, Small Business and Industry and the Brisbane City Council were?

(2) Will he rule out the possibility of the Gurulmundi dump being relocated to Swanbank?

(3) Will he rule out the possibility of a ministerial rezoning of the Swanbank site to enable its conversion to this hazardous waste supermarket?

(4) Is the postponement of the planned 19 February forum of the same industry group and its planned facilitation by the Department of Environment, rather than the failed National Party candidate Glennis Head, simply an attempt by the Government to give some semblance of control over the people who are really driving waste management in this State – the polluters?
MR DELACY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to his “refunding” of the Lake Eacham nursery—

(1) Has a sum of $50,000 been committed for this purpose?

(2) Will this money need to cover the wages of a departmental employee at the nursery as well as operational costs; if so, what breakdown is planned?

(3) How does he justify taking $30,000 from coastal funds for the work of this nursery which is located a considerable distance from the coast on the Atherton Tableland?

(4) Does he intend to continue this funding next year and in subsequent years; if so, in what amounts?

(5) Was the timing of his announcement to refund the nursery linked to the announcement by his Federal counterpart Senator Hill in the same week to make a rainforest revegetation project in the nearby Malanda area one of the four highest priority environmental projects in this State?

MR HAYWARD ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MRS SHELDON)—

With reference to Budget Paper No. 3, page 3 and the statement “the Queensland Infrastructure Financing Fund (QIFF) will be discontinued during 1996–1997 and outstanding balances will be utilised more effectively in direct infrastructure development”—

(1) Will she (a) explain what she means by direct infrastructure development and (b) outline projects which have been selected and the reasons for such selection?

(2) Will projects selected return their capital cost to the Government or will they be expended on one–off opportunities?

MR FOLEY ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MRS SHELDON)—

With reference to the discussion paper on the Government’s proposal to slash peer assessment in the arts funding process which was issued in the week before Christmas with a 6 January deadline for public submissions—

(1) Is she aware of arts community concern that the proposed cuts to peer assessment will damage the transparency and accountability of arts funding?

(2) Does she not accept that the lack of opportunity in having only a couple of weeks over the Christmas–New Year break to prepare public submissions makes her Government's consultation process a joke?

MR D'ARCY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY (MR PERRETT)—

With reference to the detecting of lyssavirus in flying foxes in different parts of Queensland and Australia—

(1) Has any testing been carried out on flying foxes in Cape York or on the Torres Strait Islands; if so, where and when and what numbers of flying foxes and of which species were tested?

(2) What results were achieved from this testing and have the results yet been conveyed to Cape York Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island communities?

(3) If this testing hasn't been done, why not, particularly when it is a known fact that Aboriginal and Islander communities hunt and eat flying foxes?

(4) What testing has been carried out on the many species of insectivorous bats that are found in Queensland and if none, why not, considering that the virus has already been detected in one species of insectivorous bat?
99  **MR McELLIGOTT ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—**

With reference to several recent events associated with the discovery of lyssavirus in Australia—

(1) In the Rockhampton case (a) what numbers and species of animals had Ms Pagget cared for prior to her death, (b) by which animal(s) was she bitten or scratched, (c) which of these animals, if any, were tested for lyssavirus or any other diseases, (d) what symptoms did they display, (e) what was the fate of these animals and (f) from which animal is Ms Pagget believed to have contracted lyssavirus and what is the evidence?

(2) In the case of the Currumbin “attack” (a) why was the “attacking” flying fox killed, given that it did not present any symptoms of illness, (b) why did the veterinary report describe the animal as having “undergone some sort of personality change”, (c) why were the test results confused with those of another flying fox, (d) which was the other flying fox which tested “strongly positive”, (e) where was it found, (f) how did it become in contact with humans and (g) what were its symptoms?

(3) In the Townsville case (a) what symptoms did the child display to cause the Townsville General Hospital staff to suspect her of having contracted lyssavirus, (b) why did the killing and testing of the animal which had bitten the child take place more than 2 weeks after the bite and (c) what was the result of the test carried out on the animal?

(4) Generally (a) what research has been undertaken to estimate the prevalence of lyssavirus in flying fox populations, (b) where was the yellow-bellied sheath-tailed bat which has recently tested lyssavirus positive found, (c) how did it get in contact with humans, (d) which other animals have been tested in Australia for lyssavirus and (e) which has been found to be lyssavirus positive?

100  **MR ARDILL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—**

With reference to Queensland Rail’s use of the services of security firms to provide surveillance on Citytrain services—

(1) What hourly rates are charged by such firms to provide this surveillance, and in particular, what rates are charged for the “Guardian Services”?

(2) If such services are provided by fixed contract, how many security employees are involved, and at what cost?

101  **MR WELLS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—**

With reference to the significant decline from previous years in the number of Grade 1 students to receive, in 1996, the benefits of the Fire Safety Education Program—

(1) What was the reason for his failure to properly deliver this essential and possibly life saving education program?

(2) Will he undertake to ensure that the program is delivered to the Grade 2 students who missed out on it in Grade 1?

102  **MR FOURAS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—**

With reference to his ill fated plans to purchase portion of the Bayview Country Estate in the interests of koala conservation—

(1) What instructions were given to the Natural Resources Department in valuing this piece of land?

(2) On what basis was the land concerned valued and what valuation was arrived at?

(3) What offer did the department make to the developer and what was the outcome of these negotiations?

(4) Have negotiations broken down completely or are they continuing?
(5) Will he exercise the discretion open to him to increase the Government offer for this land in an attempt to secure it for koala conservation?

(6) When does he see the Koala Coast State Planning Policy being finalised?

103 MS BLIGH ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE (MR LINGARD)—

With reference to the trip to Singapore taken by the Children’s Commissioner, Mr Norm Alford, during his first month in office—

(1) Was this trip taken at public expense; if so, what was the total cost, including travel, accommodation and other relevant expenses?

(2) What was the purpose of this trip?

(3) What benefit, other than offensive, controversial statements in support of public flogging, has accrued to the Queensland taxpayer for this expenditure?

104 MR PALASZCZUK ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—

With reference to his recently announced plans to construct further off-stream water storage in the St George area in an attempt to resolve problems encountered by channel irrigators using Fairbairn Dam to irrigate cotton crops—

(1) What environmental assessment was conducted on these plans prior to his announcement, what environmental assessment is currently underway and what assessment is planned before the project commences?

(2) Is he satisfied that this is appropriate particularly in light of Queensland's participation in the Murray-Darling Basin scheme and the likely effects of reducing even further the flow in the Balonne River after it crosses the New South Wales border and floods into the Narrine wetlands?

(3) How does he explain the abandoning of his ultimatum to withdraw funding for this project unless consensus was reached among water users along the river?

(4) Under what conditions and when will water be diverted into the off-stream storage?

(5) What impact will this additional off-stream storage have on Dirranbandi irrigators to the south?

105 MRS EDMOND ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

With reference to the table of official statistics which I have provided for the information of the Minister and which shows that the number of patients waiting for operations in Queensland’s major hospitals had risen from 22,505 at the end of 1995 to 23,309 on 1 October 1996—

What are the equivalent figures for each of the hospitals in each of the categories under the headings ‘number of patients’, ‘number of long wait patients’ and ‘percentage waiting too long’ as at 1 January 1997?

106 MR NUTTALL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (MR CONNOR)—

With reference to his response to a Question on Notice late in 1996 in which he indicated that a Site Upgrade Project to address the security problems for the seniors residing in the units at 41 Fifth Avenue Sandgate was undertaken during 1996 and while this initiative is to be applauded, it appears that the seniors living in the blocks opposite at number 32 Fifth Avenue, haven’t been so fortunate and there has been ongoing problems of break-ins involving both residents units and motor vehicles at 32 Fifth Avenue—

Is his department proposing to undertake a Site Upgrade Project in consultation with the residents of 32 Fifth Avenue during 1996–97; if so, will the upgrade include improving the security around the perimeter of the property, particularly the entrances in Sixth Avenue?
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