NOTICE PAPER

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FRIDAY, 2 MAY 1997

The House meets this day at 9.30am

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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5 ART UNIONS AND PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (19 March 1997, Mr Hamill)

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8 QUEENSLAND LAW SOCIETY LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) – Resumption of second reading debate (3 December 1996, Mr Foley)

9 SPORTS DRUG TESTING BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (7 August 1996, Mr Elder)

10 MINERAL RESOURCES AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (26 March 1997, Mr Livingstone)

11 SUPERANNUATION AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (30 April 1997, Mr Hamill)

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13 GAMING MACHINE AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (30 April 1997, Mr Hamill)

14 QUEENSLAND COMPETITION AUTHORITY BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (30 April 1997, Mr Hamill)

15 LAND SALES AND LAND TITLE AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (30 April 1997, Mr Foley)

16 TOWNSVILLE BREAKWATER ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (30 April 1997, Mr Mackenroth)

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23 **PRIMARY INDUSTRIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (30 April 1997, Mr Schwarten)

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*25 **MOUNT ISA MINES LIMITED AGREEMENT AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (1 May 1997, Mr McGrady)

*26 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (1 May 1997, Mr Mackenroth)

**NOTICES OF MOTION – REVOCATIONS**

*(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 tabled on 5 December 1996, 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.

*(Notice given 29 April 1997)*

2 **MR LITTLEPROUD** to move—

(1) That this House request the Governor in Council to revoke by a Regulation the dedication as protected areas under the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* of those areas specified in the documents tabled on 29 April 1997; and

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

3 **MR LITTLEPROUD** to move—

(1) That this House request the Governor in Council to revoke by a Regulation the setting apart and declaration as Marine Park under the *Marine Parks Act 1982* of those areas specified in the documents tabled on 29 April 1997; and

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

The following questions were asked on Thursday, 1 May 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, 2 June 1997.

362 MR MULHERIN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—
With reference to the Mackay Base Hospital—
What is the current project status of the redevelopment?

363 MRS ROSE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—
With reference to recent Government advertising campaigns;
(1) What is the department’s advertising and promotional budget?
(2) How much to date has been spent on advertising and promotional work by the department?

364 MR SCHWARTEN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—
With reference to the problem of rats causing damage to canefields—
(1) Are these rats native animals or introduced species?
(2) What control measures are presently being used to control these rats and what application technique is being used?
(3) What numbers of permits have been issued in 1995, 1996 and 1997 by the Department of Environment to control these rats and what numbers of returns have been received in those years?
(4) Are personnel, other than Department of Environment staff, allowed to issue these permits; if so, who and what numbers of permits were used by these people in 1995, 1996 and 1997?
(5) What quantities of rodenticide are being applied to cane crops to control these rats and what assessment has been made of the impact of this application on the environment, and what were the results?
(6) How many of the permits issued were based on crop inspections by qualified Department of Environment officers?
(7) What assessment has been made of the number of rats being killed annually by this poisoning and what results were achieved?

365 MR MILLINER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—
With reference to the increasingly popular Easter chocolate bilbies as a replacement gift for the long-standing Easter bunnies—
(1) What funds were generated from the sale of these Easter bilbies that came to the department or other environmental bodies in 1996?
(2) What portion of these funds have made their way directly to work on the bilbies and what aspect of the bilby research or management have they been spent on?
(3) To what other purposes have these funds been directed and why?
(4) Has the bilby research program virtually no operating funds at present and is unlikely to have any until the next budget, if then?
366 MR PURCELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—
With reference to a publication from his Ministerial office called the Environment Report—
(1) Has this report been produced by his ministerial office at ministerial expense or has there been departmental involvement in its design, layout, etc.; if so, what exact departmental involvement occurred and at what cost to taxpayers?
(2) Were the graphs, photographs, draft text or artwork in the publication supplied by the department; if so, at what cost to the taxpayer?
(3) Does he believe it is appropriate in this day and age for taxpayer-funded publications to be produced under the guise of a ministerial publication and distributed for pure political propaganda purposes?
(4) What distribution has occurred of this publication, is it the first of its type, how many are planned annually and how many of this first issue were initially printed?
(5) What is the total cost of this publication including design, content, layout, paper, printing, binding, packaging and distribution costs?

367 MR WELFORD ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—
With reference to media reports that senior Department of Environment officers have expressed grave concerns that a waste management facility at Yatala, operated by Barkoola Environmental Pty Ltd, could have future plans to replace the Willawong Treatment facility which is due to close by mid 1998—
(1) Has their Environment Management Plan been approved by the Department of Environment?
(2) Does this plan include a capacity for Barkoola of approximately 10,000 litres of “feed stock” annually?
(3) Is this capacity identical to the capacity of the Willawong treatment plant currently?
(4) What are the storage capacities of hydrochloric and sodium hydroxide on the Barkoola site as set out in the EMP?
(5) What assessment has the Department of Environment made of the Barkoola plant’s potential to seriously contaminate nearby land and water in the event of a spill or a leak?
(6) What strategies are planned to handle sludge from the site?
(7) Does he support Barkoola’s application?

368 MR HAMILL ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR 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 30 April, (b) what proportion of their capital (1996–97) budget was expended as at 30 April and (c) what proportion of their total (1996–97) budget was expended as at 30 April 1997?

369 MR BEATTIE ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—
With reference to the preparation of a new master plan for South Bank—
(1) Who has been awarded the contract for this work, at what cost and what is the due completion date?
(2) Was a draft of this master plan presented to the South Bank Corporation during the week ending 26 April and found wanting; if so, what changes were requested and why?
(3) Is this master plan being conducted in isolation from that of Robin Gibson’s work at the Cultural Centre?
(4) What role did he play in having the Cultural Centre master plan contract awarded to Robin Gibson and is he satisfied that due process was followed in the tendering process for this contract?

(5) Is he satisfied that the user groups at the Cultural Centre are being adequately and properly consulted by Mr Gibson in the preparation of this master plan?

(6) Why isn’t an holistic approach being taken to any redevelopment of the South Bank area with particular emphasis on its relationship and interaction with the central business district and city generally?

(7) Why wasn’t a project of this size and importance to Brisbane put up as an “architectural competition” to obtain the best possible result for the City of Brisbane?

(8) Will he guarantee we are not seeing a major opportunity lost to Brisbane as a result of the Government’s mishandling of this project?

370 MR SMITH ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR QUINN)—

With reference to his answer to a Question from the Member for Fitzroy on Wednesday, 30 April, wherein he acknowledged the expenditure of $300,000 for air-conditioning in three schools in Moranbah, an area south of the 20th parallel—

(1) Is he aware of the special and pressing needs of the Vincent Special Education Development Unit and the Aitkenvale Special School, particularly (a) the very young age of the student group ranging from birth or a few months to six years, (b) children with physical disabilities requiring the wearing of knee-high plastic walking aids (AFOs) sitting in vinyl covered, disability specific seating apparatus and wheelchairs, (c) children with life preserving, medical interventions, such as naso-gastric tube adhered to the face causing skin irritations aggravated by hot, humid conditions, (d) hygiene for a child with a gastrostomy button which enables manual feeding directly into the digestive system, (e) many children in the unit have autism spectrum disorder and it is commonly accepted that extreme, persistent heat behaviourally affects children with this disability causing considerable distress, (f) children with disabilities frequently have epileptic seizure activity, exacerbated by prolonged exposure to hot conditions, (g) a large proportion of children have physical therapy goals requiring sustained levels of physical exertion. In summer conditions these children are often unable to persist due to excessive perspiration making limbs slippery and causing difficulty maintaining traction on apparatus, (h) one piece of specialised equipment used with younger children (ie younger than 12 months) is the Lillie Neilsen room. This is an enclosed frame one metre square and 20 centimetres high. The “room” is enclosed on three sides with perspex and one with a cloth curtain. This equipment was designed in Europe and has proven very successful for children with developmentally delay and/or visual impairment. The length of time a child can benefit from this therapy in the centre is very limited in summer conditions as fans have little or no cooling effect, (i) the model of teaching and support implemented in the centre requires the close proximity of staff to facilitate modelling. This strategy termed “silent shepherding”, is meant to be a supportive, non-intrusive form of assistance, however, in very hot conditions this is not pleasant for student or staff therefore compromising program effectiveness, (j) the orientation of the unit on the land, the location in respect to surrounding building precludes access to the prevailing breezes, (k) the almost flat design of the roof provides poor air circulation at ceiling height, thus reducing the cooling effects of ceiling fans even on mild days and (l) parents of the children and visitors to the centre frequently complain that the building is unusually hot?

(2) In view of the demonstrated need and the reduced ability of parent groups to raise funds due to the time consuming efforts and difficulty in coping with very young disadvantaged children, will he now give ministerial priority and arrange special funding for the air-conditioning of these two education centres?
371 MR McGRADY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

What is the number of tickets and the amount of revenue which the Department of Transport officials have collected for breaches of the Traffic Act in the Mt Isa area in 1996–97 to date?

372 MR HOLLIS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

With reference to the $300,000 document entitled Your Queensland, a supposed annual report on the activities of the National/Liberal Government, enclosed with the Sunday Mail of 20 April—

As he refers to Redcliffe Hospital as a 281 bed hospital after closing 25 beds a month before the release of this publication, is he planning to restore those 25 beds or will he correct this information, informing the people of Redcliffe that under this Government, they now only have a 256 bed hospital with more bed closures likely in the near future?

373 MR FOURAS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to grant cut–backs to the Queensland National Trust—

(1) Which grant schemes have been cut back and to what extent?

(2) Why can’t Queensland grant schemes be directed to works on National Trust listed and owned buildings, rather than to conservation plans and studies?

(3) Does he believe it appropriate the trust owns the number and type of buildings it presently has; if not, how would he see the trust managing its estate?

(4) How does he intend to assist the trust in its current financial dilemma?

374 MR ROBERTSON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to plans by the Department of Transport to use police officers to monitor use of the proposed High Occupancy Vehicle lanes to be built along the South East Freeway/Pacific Highway between the Gateway Motorway and the Logan Motorway where traffic will travel at speeds up to 110km per hour—

(1) Has the Department of Transport consulted with the Queensland Police Service about this proposal?

(2) Does he agree with police being used to monitor usage of high speed transit lanes?

(3) What procedures has he insisted on to ensure that the safety of police while monitoring usage of high speed transit lanes is not jeopardised?

(4) How often will police be used to monitor these lanes?

(5) How many police will be used to monitor these lanes?

(6) What will be the estimated cost to his department to provide police resources to monitor these high speed transit lanes?

(7) Has the Queensland Police Union been consulted about this proposal?

(8) Will he guarantee that the tragedy that occurred on the Bruce Highway in 1996 will not be repeated as a result of using police to monitor these high speed transit lanes along the South East Freeway/Pacific Highway?

(9) Will he put a stop to the Department of Transport plans to use police for this dangerous and ill conceived operation along the high speed transit lanes?

375 MR CAMPBELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to his plans to conduct a trial pig control program in a Far North Queensland National Park using dogs and guns—

(1) Which National Park does he have in mind for this trial, when will it commence, who will be the hunters, and who will supervise them?
(2) When will this occur, and over what time period?
(3) What results will encourage him to implement the practice as policy?
(4) How will the trial be evaluated?
(5) What advice is he receiving from his department regarding the wisdom of the trial?
(6) What is motivating him to conduct the trial?
(7) Will semi-automatic weapons be used in the trial; if so, by whom?

376 MR WELLS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—
(1) Will he confirm that it is his department’s practice not to allow members of Rural Fire Brigades to undertake driver training, for the purpose of achieving a certificate of competency, on vehicles owned by the Rural Fire Brigades?
(2) Will he confirm that as a result, volunteer fire fighters have to hire a vehicle to undertake the training, which might cost $600 or $700?
(3) Will he explain the reasons for this practice?

377 MR PEARCE ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—
With reference to the Response to Question on Notice No. 240—
(1) Has the Government made any attempt to have Clairview Developments Pty Ltd remove its offending marketing documentation from the international market place and have the parties associated with Clairview Developments Pty Ltd been asked to explain their actions whey they used misleading information in the international market place, especially the support/acknowledgment given by the Queensland Government departments to the Nilsson Corporation Pty Ltd (in liquidation) and the use of such documentation that is not owned by Clairview Developments Pty Ltd?
(2) Does the Government intend to take any action against Clairview Developments Pty Ltd and its backers for using such misleading documentation in the international market place?

378 MR BRISKEY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—
With reference to the delays in the implementation of the Koala Coast Planning Policy—
(1) What stage is the policy at and, if it is still out for public consultation, how long is this process going to continue?
(2) What stages have the policy to go through before it is finalised?
(3) Will he supply a map of the area covered, as it was before the latest round of consultation?
(4) In the meantime, is the policy being applied as it currently stands for development applications and other changes to land use?

379 MR BREDHAUER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR QUINN)—
With reference to the memo from the Director–General to each regional Executive Director in 1996 referring to the recovery of funds relating to significant school support centre bank balances—
(1) How much money was recovered from each of the State’s 46 school support centres, including the amount for each centre?
(2) What were the targets for funds to be recovered from each school support centre and, if the amount recovered differed from the target, what were the reasons for not recovering the full amounts?
(3) Will he detail how the money recovered has subsequently been disbursed and spent?
380 MR J SULLIVAN ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to the High Court writ against the State Government issued by HA Bachrach Pty Ltd claiming that the Local Government (Morayfield Shopping Centre Zoning) Act 1996 is invalid—

Will he assure traders in the Morayfield Plaza Shopping Centre, opened by him on 14 April, that they will not become innocent victims of a dispute that they were reasonably entitled to believe had concluded and that the Government will take action to protect their substantial investment in their businesses?

381 MR LIVINGSTONE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to the recent disastrous riot at the Woodford Prison—

(1) Did an investigation conducted by the State Public Services Federation of Queensland on behalf of its Woodford Prison Officer members find that the production and consumption of alcoholic “home brew” was a significant factor in the causes of the riots?

(2) Did the investigation team he appointed to investigate the riot find no such evidence?

(3) Have prisoners at Woodford had access to suitable fermentable materials to make home brew; if so, what were these materials and why were they so freely available?

(4) Were any prisoners breath tested following the riot; if not why not?

(5) What searches were conducted of the prison following the riot for home brew or equipment to make it and if none were conducted, why not?

(6) What penalties do inmates in Queensland prisons receive if found preparing or in possession of “home brew”?

382 MR BARTON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to the accelerated capital works program—

What is the status of the Eatons Hill Police Station and if there are any plans to build such a station, when and where?

383 MR ROBERTS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR SANTORO)—

With reference to his statement during the debate on the Workplace Relations Bill, where he said this about Queensland Workplace Agreements (QWA’s) “... the Government does believe that it is appropriate that the Enterprise Commissioner not consider the public interest, given that no other persons will be affected by an agreement between the two persons who were parties to a QWA” (Hansard, 31 January, page 254) and as the Act provides that if an Enterprise Commissioner is not satisfied a QWA passes the “no disadvantage test” but is satisfied that approving the QWA is not contrary to the public interest, then the Enterprise Commissioner must approve the QWA—

Doesn’t this confirm the fear of workers that QWAs containing wages and conditions which are less than the relevant award will be approved by the Enterprise Commissioner?

384 MR ARDILL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (DR WATSON)—

(1) What steps will he take to overcome the large backlog of people waiting for public housing in Archerfield?

(2) Does he intend to make use of the large stock of fully serviced allotments which are now vacant in Acacia Ridge and Coopers Plains, and which can only be used for residential purposes without compromising the residential nature of the suburbs and compromising the integrity of the Town Plan of Brisbane?
(3) Will he continue the upgrade of kitchens and bathrooms in existing Acacia Ridge and Coopers Plains public housing began by former Minister Tom Burns?

385 MS BLIGH ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE (MR LINGARD)—
With reference to the child sexual assault hotline established by his office in 1996—
(1) For what period did this hotline operate?
(2) How many calls were received by this hotline?
(3) How many, if any, complained of sexual abuse by Queensland Government employees, either past or current?
(4) In which departments or categories of employment were those officers employed, and how many were there in each case (eg teachers, police officers, etc)?
(5) What action has he taken to forward these allegations to both the department concerned and the appropriate investigative authorities?
(6) How many, if any charges, have resulted from complaints to the hotline?

386 MR LUCAS ASKED THE ATTORNEY–GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—
With reference to access to justice and court funding—
(1) What is the estimated cost per day (excluding costs of legal representatives, witnesses etc.) for each day a judge sits in the Supreme Court?
(2) What is the general description of matters (including minimum monetary amount in dispute) of matters able to be listed in the Supreme Court Commercial causes list?
(3) What number of commercial causes were dealt with in the Supreme Court in each of the last five years and how many judge days did they occupy in each year?
(4) What is the average number of judge days taken up in a typical commercial cause trial?
(5) What court fees are payable by either a plaintiff or a defendant in a commercial cause to have the matter (a) started by an originating process, (b) entered for trial or put on the call over list, (c) in the nature of a daily hearing fee and (d) in any other fee payable to the court in the course of litigation up to and including trial?

387 MR FOLEY ASKED THE ATTORNEY–GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—
(1) Will he give an assurance to Queensland community legal services that at least their current levels of funding will be maintained in 1997–98?
(2) Will he assure community legal services that he will guarantee funding to them if his Federal Liberal colleague, Attorney–General Williams, fails to continue funding to them at least at previous levels?

388 MR PALASZCZUK ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—
With reference to the recent relocation of his office from Woolloongabba to Level 13 of Mineral House at the corner of George and Margaret Streets, the City—
(1) Why was this move necessary and why was the Woolloongabba office inadequate for his purposes?
(2) What costs were incurred by the taxpayer in making this shift, and outfitting his new office?
(3) Does he believe this was the best use of these funds at this time?
389 MR HAYWARD ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—
With reference to the closure of the Union Mining NL Georgetown gold mine in June and the subsequent retrenchment of 40 staff in a town of about 300 people—
(1) Does he accept that the Government’s decision to refuse to grant mining leases to the company has led directly to this disastrous situation?
(2) Will he visit Georgetown to examine and then explain the consequences of the Government’s actions to the residents?
(3) What financial support will the Coalition Government provide to the Shire of Etheridge to ensure that the district infrastructure will be maintained?

390 MR DE LACY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR SANTORO)—
With reference to the unavailability of block release training for spray painting for panel beating apprenticeships in Queensland—
(1) What arrangements are being made for these apprentices so that they can satisfactorily complete their apprenticeships?
(2) What impact will this have on the training of panel beating apprentices and how will this affect the supply of these workplace skills?
(3) When will a new facility be available for training these apprentices and why has it taken so long?

391 MR DOLLIN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (DR WATSON)—
With reference to the Government’s 1996 Budget which did not provide any capital works spending for public housing projects in Maryborough, despite the long waiting list for public housing and hoping that under new direction, Maryborough will receive better treatment than it did under the previous Minister as it is a low income city with one of the highest unemployment levels in the State and many people rely on affordable public housing for accommodation—
Will he give consideration to Maryborough’s urgent need for more public housing?

392 MR T SULLIVAN ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MRS SHELDON)—
With reference to the declaration by the Education Department that the Chermside State School site is “in excess of departmental needs” and the processes of the Government Land Management Scheme are underway, and recognising that local residents, business people and community groups identified that this site should be used for community purposes—
Will she give residents, business people and community groups her personal assurance that the site will not be simply sold off to the highest commercial bidder in order to boost the Consolidated Revenue Fund which he controls?

393 MR D’ARCY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—
With reference to reports from his department that the water supply for many of the Cape communities is unsuitable for human consumption—
What program is being undertaken to remedy the situation and what is the time frame in relation to the five Northern Peninsula Area Communities?
TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

Mr J Goss, Miss Simpson and Mr Stephan

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

LEGAL, CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE—

Members—
Mrs Gamin (Chairman), Messrs Briskey, Carroll, McElligott and Hon. G Milliner and Miss Simpson

Current Inquiries—
• Consolidation of the Queensland Constitution
• Protection of Privacy in Queensland
• Preservation and Enhancement of Individuals’ Rights & Freedoms (Bill of Rights)

Reports—
• Issues Paper No. 1 – Truth in Political Advertising (Tabled 11 July 1996)
• Annual Report for 1995–96 (Tabled 8 August 1996)
• Report on matters pertaining to the Electoral Commission of Queensland (Tabled 8 August 1996)
• Review of the Referendums Bill 1996 (Tabled 14 November 1996)
• Truth in Political Advertising (Tabled 3 December 1996)

MEMBERS’ ETHICS AND PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE—

Members—
Ms Warwick (Chairman), Mr Campbell and Hon. D Fouras, Mrs Rose, Messrs Rowell and Springborg

Current Inquiries—
• Code of Conduct for Members
• The Sub Judice Convention
• Review of Parliamentary Privilege
• A matter of privilege raised on 3 December 1996

Reports—
• Annual Report for 1995–96 (Tabled 8 August 1996)
• Issues Paper No. 1 – A Code of Conduct for Members of the Queensland Legislative Assembly (Tabled 8 August 1996)
• Review of Register of Members’ Interests of the Legislative Assembly (Tabled 30 October 1996)
• Information Paper No. 1 – Citizen’s Right of Reply in the Queensland Legislative Assembly (Tabled 3 December 1996)
• Issues Paper No. 2 – The Sub Judice Convention (Tabled 18 March 1997)

PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE—

Members—
Hon. V Lester (Chairman), Messrs Baumann, Hollis, Nuttall, Robertson and Woolmer

Reports—
• The Criminal Justice Commission’s response to an article appearing in The Sunday Mail newspaper on 28 April 1996 (Tabled 2 May 1996)
• Report on Operation Melody (Tabled 15 May 1996)
• Report on section 23(c) of the Criminal Justice Act 1989 (Tabled 16 May 1996)
• Report on Outstanding Parliamentary Criminal Justice Committee Recommendations (Tabled 23 July 1996)
• Annual Report for 1995–96 (Tabled 8 August 1996)
• Report on Operation Melody – No. 2 (Tabled 12 September 1996)

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—

Members—
Mr Harper (Chairman), Mr Grice, Hon. K Hayward, Messrs Malone, Mulherin and Pearce

Current Inquiries—
• Joint Inquiry with the Commonwealth Joint Committee of Public Accounts – Review of Financial Accountability Requirements for Aboriginal Councils and Torres Strait Island Councils
• Fire Leves
• Tendering Processes
• Statutory Role in the Strategic Review of the Queensland Audit Office

Reports—
• Report No. 36 – State Government Credit Cards – Striking the Balance Between Accountability and Efficiency (Tabled 5 December 1996)
• Issues Paper – Review of Financial Reporting Requirements for Aboriginal Councils and Torres Strait Island Councils (Tabled 28 January 1997)
Parliamentary Committees (cont.)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—

Members—
Mr Stephan (Chairman), Messrs D’Arcy, Healy, Purcell, Radke and Smith

Current Inquiries—
• Redevelopment of the Princess Alexandra Hospital
• South East Busway project
• Mareeba/Dimbulah Irrigation Area Project
• Expansion of the Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal
• Cape York Infrastructure
• Development of 75 William Street

Reports—
• Annual Report for 1995–96 (Tabled 8 October 1996)
• Construction of the New Woodford Correctional Centre – Report No. 34 (Tabled 29 October 1996)

SCRUTINY OF LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—

Members—
Mr Elliott (Chairman), Mrs Cunningham, Messrs Lucas, Roberts, J Sullivan and Tanti

Reports—
• Alert Digest No. 1 of 1996 (Tabled 16 April 1996)
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