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

3 RESIDENTIAL TENANCIES AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (13 November 1996, Mr Mackenroth)

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

5 MISCELLANEOUS ACTS (NON–BANK FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS) AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (19 March 1997, Mr Hamill)

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

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13 BODY CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (30 April 1997, Mr Palaszczuk)

14 NATURAL RESOURCES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (30 April 1997, Mr Palaszczuk)

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

20 COOPERATIVES BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (1 May 1997, Ms Spence)

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

22 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 Friday, 2 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 Tuesday, 3 June 1997.

394 MR SMITH ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—

With reference to his answer on 30 April to a Question from the Member for Cunningham regarding a Statewide Land Cover and Tree Study—

(1) How can he substantiate his statement that there is more standing woodland in Queensland today than at the time of white settlement when departmental advice provided to him by way of a Question in Parliament in March 1995 stated the coverage had diminished from 110 million hectares to some 76 million hectares?

(2) In view of his comments that satellite imagery for 1988, 1991 and 1995 to detect the change in tree cover across the whole State has not yet been fully analysed and verified, how can he substantiate his claim that greenhouse gas emissions may be in balance with carbon being stored as a result of woodland thickening when also in March 1995, the then Lands Department provided advice that there were no figures available on what percentage of woodland in Queensland is regrowth at present or at any nominated time in the past?

(3) On what basis can he substantiate his preliminary assessment of an average tree-clearing rate of 308,000 hectares per annum with 60–70 per cent being regrowth without the formal ground work verification being completed?

(4) In view of formal departmental advice received in 1995 that of 768 permits authorising clearing of a total of 1,079,298.2 hectares for the period 1 January 1994 to 31 December 1994 only 113 of the permits covering 391,730.8 hectares or 36.3 per cent of the total area were for regrowth, how can he authenticate his statement that for the 1991 to 1995 period, clearing of regrowth constituted 60 to 70 per cent of all clearing?

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

With reference to her Ministerial Program Statements for the 1996–97 State Budget and the provision of $259,353 in her Advance Account—

(1) What was the balance in that account at 30 April?

(2) What sums have been outlayed in March and April?

(3) For what purposes were each of these sums expended, and what was the date of each of these outlays?

(4) Have any additional funds been allocated to her Advance Account in 1996–97?

396 MR BEATTIE ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to his commitment given to the people of Queensland on 9 October 1996 to make the Roma Street railyards principally parkland—

(1) Why then did a report appear in the Sunday Mail on 9 March five months later, indicating that Roma Street was still being considered along with the ANZ and Suncorp stadiums as the site of a super stadium for Brisbane?

(2) Why are senior Government employees considering a scheme to sell Suncorp Stadium for a Park Road development to help fund the building of a super stadium on the Roma Street site?

(3) Why have costings of $250m been done for building a super stadium on the Roma Street site if he intends the area to become principally parkland?
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4)
Why are public servants continuing to ignore his direction on development for this site, and when does he intend to stop public servants working on any proposal for Roma Street other than as world class inner-city parkland?

5)
Why is the Managing Director of Devine, Erby Mazlin, presenting an address titled “Roma Street Railyards – A Major Urban Renewal Opportunity” at an upcoming Queensland Environmental Law Association seminar in Palm Cove, Cairns this month if he intends to make the area principally parkland?

6)
Why does the Bligh Lobb report include reference to Roma Street as a potential site for this super stadium?

397 MR J SULLIVAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

With reference to bed occupancy at Caboolture Hospital—

(1) How many beds at the hospital have been occupied on each night since the hospital opened?

(2) How many patients have been transferred to other hospitals (a) for medical reasons in that services required cannot be provided at Caboolture and (b) for reason of bed unavailability each day since the hospital opened?

(3) With respect of patients mentioned in 2(a) above, which particular services needed to be accessed, and by how many patients for each service?

398 MR ROBERTSON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE AND MINISTER ASSISTING THE PREMIER (MR SLACK)—

With reference to the announcement on 2 May that his senior representative in the new Shanghai Office has been dismissed or had resigned—

(1) Was she employed on a contract and how long was this contract for?

(2) Was she asked to resign or did she leave of her own accord?

(3) What were the reasons for her resignation/dismissal?

(4) When was this position first advertised and how many applications were received?

(5) What are the details of the salary and conditions that are attached to this position?

(6) How many people are employed in the Shanghai Office and what are their classifications, job descriptions and pay points?

(7) Where is the Shanghai Office located and what is the monthly rent on the premises and how large is the office?

(8) What is the length of the lease on the premises occupied by the Shanghai Office?

(9) Does the lease provide for periodic increases in rent for the term of the lease; if so, what are they?

(10) How much extra trade has this office facilitated between China and Australia since it opened and what are the details of trade deals facilitated by the Shanghai Office?

(11) What is the total annual operating budget allocated to the Shanghai Office?

(12) What is the total travel budget for the Shanghai Office for 1996–97 and how much of this budget has been spent at 30 April?

(13) What are the details of the work currently being carried out by the Shanghai Office?

(14) What performance indicators have been set that will determine the long term success of the Shanghai Office?

399 MR HOLLIS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to a high speed “Police Pursuit” in July 1995 resulting in damage to property owned by my constituents Mr and Mrs Keong and to my latest correspondence to him on this matter dated 6 January —

(1) Why hasn’t he provided an answer to this latest correspondence?

(2) Is his lack of reply indicative of the fact that he supports high speed “Police Pursuits”?

(3) Will he now intervene personally in this matter to ensure the “Keong’s” receive due compensation for the property loss?

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

With reference to Queensland marlin fishing—

(1) What steps is the Government taking to protect marlin fishing from commercial exploitation?

(2) Is he aware of any commercial sale of marlin products in Queensland?

(3) Does he approve of the commercial taking of marlin?

401 MR NUTTALL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to recent Government advertising campaigns—

(1) What is his department’s advertising and promotional budget for (a) police department and (b) corrective services?

(2) How much to date has been spent on advertising and promotional work by his department in these areas?

402 MR BRISKEY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR GILMORE)—

Will he give his total commitment to the continuation of sand mining on North Stradbroke Island whilst ensuring the best environmental safeguards are maintained?

403 MR CAMPBELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the school crossing supervisors for the schools in the City of Bundaberg—

(1) What are the number of hours, and number of supervisors provided to each school on a weekly basis?

(2) Have any hours or numbers of supervisors been cut from these schools over the past two years?

(3) Will there be any cuts to these services as a consequence of the 1996 Budget or the 1997 Budget?

404 MR PALASZCZUK ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to the proposal to build additional correctional centres at the Wacol precinct—

(1) How many additional correctional centres are planned for the Wacol precinct?

(2) Is there a new correctional centre in the process of being constructed at the Wacol precinct; if so, what is the expected prisoner capacity and completion date?
(3) Are any of the existing correctional centres at Wacol to be closed; if so, which ones, and when?

(4) With the increase in population in the Brisbane to the Gold Coast corridor is there a proposal to provide a facility for that corridor; if not, why not?

405 MR LUCAS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to environment management plans (EMPs) provided for under the Environmental Protection Act and with reference to the Lytton Electorate—

(1) Which companies/organisations currently have EMPs with the department?

(2) What are the environmental issues covered in each of these EMPs respectively?

(3) What is the objective stated for each issue?

(4) What was the commencement date for each of these EMPs?

(5) What monitoring process does the department have to ensure the terms of these EMPs are being complied with?

406 MR MULERHIN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR GILMORE)—

With reference to MEB media release dated 21 April regarding the closure of cash receipting at Sarina, Proserpine and Ness Street Depots—

(1) Does the Government support this policy of closure of cash receipting in electricity depots throughout Queensland?

(2) Will he guarantee that all electricity depots will remain open and fully staffed to provide the range of high level services that were provided for electricity consumers?

(3) Will he guarantee the guarantee given by the CEO of the Mackay Electricity Board that there will be no add–on cost to the industry in the future for electricity consumers to pay their accounts at banks, building societies or post offices?

(4) What provisions will he make to ensure that electricity consumers will still have the right to pay their electricity accounts in electricity depots if they elect to do so?

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

With reference to ongoing complaints of abuse and neglect at the Basil Stafford Centre—

(1) How many complaints of official misconduct have been referred to the CJC since March 1995?

(2) How many of these complaints have been resolved, and what was the outcome in each case?

(3) How many complaints are under current investigation and how many staff are suspended on pay as a result of these investigations?

(4) What is the current weekly cost of wages being paid to officers suspended under investigation?

(5) How many, if any, complaints have been referred to the police since March 1995?

408 MRS BIRD ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

(1) What is his department doing to advance the future development of the Bowen Marina site?

(2) What expressions of interest has his Government sought to ensure this important project proceeds to the benefit of the boating community of the region?

(3) Is his Government prepared to invest infrastructure or commit itself to proceeding along the lines of the Goss Government to ensure the project’s future?
MR ELDER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the initial advice statement from Airtrain Citylink Pty Ltd in relation to the Brisbane Airport Rail Link Impact Assessment Study and as part 6 of the initial advice statement outlines an anticipated patronage of 7,500 passengers per day or 2.75 million passengers per year—

1. What percentage of visitors to the airport would these figures require to travel by the proposed rail link?

2. How does this compare with other airports across the world?

3. What advice has his departmental experts provided to him on these patronage levels?

4. What work has been done to analyse the likelihood of usage of a rail link to the Brisbane Airport compared with similar sized airports?

5. Have Airtrain Citylink provided any detailed studies to support their assertions or are any such studies planned?

6. What further checks will his department do to assess the credibility of Airtrain Citylink Pty Ltd’s claims for levels of patronage?

MR PEARCE ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—

With reference to investigations being undertaken by the Department of Justice into selling of land that did not have clear title to persons from Nauru by Nilsson Corporation Pty Ltd, is he in a position to provide details of their investigations with respect to provisions in the Land Sales Act 1984 and the Fair Trading Act 1989?

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

With reference to coastal development on the Cooloola Coast between Hervey Bay and Tin Can Bay—

1. Is he aware that a recent University of Queensland study linked the decline of 1,400 dugongs from waters adjacent to the Cooloola Coast to the impacts of this development?

2. What action is he taking to address this and other impacts of unsustainable development of the region?

3. What action is being taken to protect the 14 threatened terrestrial vertebrate fauna identified by a recent EIA undertaken by consultants WBM Oceanics as “expected to be negatively affected” by further water mining of the Noosa River system?

4. Will the Government require comprehensive environmental impact studies into the loss of dugongs and further water extraction from the Cooloola National Park before any further development of the region?

5. Will the Government review regional planning schemes for development of the Cooloola Coast in light of the weight of scientific evidence relating to this matter?

6. Has he advised community representatives that he and his department are not responsible for protecting the environment and that the environmental impacts of planning decisions are not his concern?

MR HAYWARD ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM, SMALL BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY (MR DAVIDSON)—

With reference to the development of the Narangba Industrial Estates—
Will he ensure that (a) the bridge over the Bruce Highway links the two estates as part of the development and (b) if a bridge upgrade is needed, that it occurs concurrently with the development of the industrial estate?

413 MR FOURAS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—

(1) Is he aware that many ambulance stations now receive their first alert for call out via radio rather than telephone?

(2) Is he aware that this is a cost saving measure, forced on the ambulance service by budgetary stringency?

(3) Is he aware that the reception via radio is not as clear as the reception by telephone?

(4) Is he aware that static and unclarity on the line could prevent the ambulance officer at the station from receiving accurate information, and therefore put somebody at risk?

(5) Will he take action to ensure that the ambulance service can afford the cost of an initial telephone call to advise ambulance officers of the necessity of a call out?

414 MR BREDHAUER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR QUINN)—

With reference to reports that he intends to close the school at Helens Hill near Ingham which was destroyed by fire on 28 February and to concerns among parents of children who attended Helens Hill school that young school children will be forced to spend even more time travelling on school buses to get to school—

Will he show some decency and replace the old school with a transportable classroom building or is the Government intent on causing students and parents at Helens Hill enormous anxiety and inconvenience by closing the school?

415 MRS ROSE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—

With reference to the allocation of new fire fighting equipment and uniforms for rural fire brigades—

Will he outline what new equipment has been provided to the Currumbin Valley and Tallebudgera Valley Rural Fire Brigades over the past 15 months?

416 MR PURCELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (DR WATSON)—

With reference to the Government’s Expressions of Interest on the sale of the Cannon Hill Saleyards which closed on 16 April—

(1) How many Expressions of Interest were received on (a) Parcel 1 (65.85ha) and (b) Parcel 2 (12.95ha)?

(2) What are the names of the businesses/developers who lodged an Expression of Interest?

(3) For what purposes did each applicant wish to use the site/s?

(4) When will a decision be made on the saleyards site?

(5) Will he give a guarantee that I and my constituents will be given an opportunity to have input into the future development of the site before it is sold?

(6) Will he assure the Bulimba Electorate that this site will not be sold for development of industry?

(7) Will he rezone the two parcels of land to housing before selling the land?
(8) Will he give guarantees that public housing will be made available to Bulimba constituents on those parcels of land as waiting time for public housing is approximately four years in the Bulimba Electorate?

(9) Will he give guarantees that money from sale of land and housing in Bulimba Electorate be used in Bulimba Electorate for further provisions of public housing?

417 MR DOLLIN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—

With reference to this Governments signing of a Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) with the Federal Government to reserve 15 per cent of the State’s native forests and to this agreement’s proposed flexibility which has created uncertainty in the timber industry in the Maryborough district—

Will he let the industry know what the quota in this area will be: will it be 20 per cent, 30 per cent, 40 per cent or will it be cut back to 5 per cent?

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

With reference to his recent sacking of Keith Hamburger as the Chief Executive Officer of Corrective Services—

(1) Will Trevor Carlyon, presently Chair of the Corrective Services Commission get Mr Hamburger’s previous position through a sham selection process?

(2) Will Sir Max Bingham then get Mr Carlyon’s old position as a payoff for his backing of yourself and the Coalition Government and his criticism of the Criminal Justice Commission?

(3) Which other National Party hack does he have in mind to fill Sir Max Bingham’s position?

419 MR D’ARCY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to the recent increase in crime in Woodridge in particular, and Logan in general—

(1) What community suggestions to combat this crime have been investigated by the police service?

(2) Have any of these suggestions been adopted; if so, which ones?

(3) When was the last time licence and registration checks were carried out in high risk areas?

(4) When was the last time railway station car park surveillance was carried out as a specific duty in the Woodridge Electorate?

(5) What specific duty has been allotted as preventive policing in high risk areas?

420 MR DE LACY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to the campaign being waged by Peter Bosanquet on behalf of a group calling themselves “Affected Landowners” to have the Cairns Mulgrave Pistol Club relocated from its present site at Sikh Temple Road, Yatee and as the lease was granted by the Cairns City Council on the basis it would provide a permanent home for the club; all the appropriate town planning approvals are in place; the Weapons Licensing Branch has granted approval No. 8100000501 “Approval of a Range”; police themselves use the range for practice, and the club abides by all safety and noise requirements—

(1) Has he had political approaches to have the “approval as a range” revoked?

(2) Has he put pressure on his department to have the approval revoked?

(3) Will he give a guarantee that the rights of this lawfully constituted and public spirited club will not be sacrificed to meet the commercial and selfish needs of the aforementioned property owners?
MR ARDILL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

(1) Is he aware of the importance to the environment of South Eastern Queensland and the people of this region, of Karawatha Forest and adjacent wildlife corridors, with which I have had a close association?

(2) Is he aware that proposals put forward by the Department of Transport through the Integrated Regional Transport Plan and previously rejected by the Labor Government, would seriously jeopardise the integrity of those environmental areas?

(3) Has he been consulted by the transport planners on the environmental aspects of their planning; if not, will he investigate the environmental aspects of the proposal as put forward in the plan?

MR T SULLIVAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

(1) What accessible transport pilot or trial projects are currently underway in Queensland?

(2) What funding has been allocated to these projects by his department and how much has been spent in 1996–97?

(3) What projects and funding are planned for future years?

(4) What goals has he set for his department to achieve equality of access to transport across Queensland?

(5) What benchmarks have been set to measure his success in providing accessible transport?

(6) Are any legislative changes proposed that will alter the requirements for the provision of accessible transport?

(7) What negotiations are currently proceeding with Federal and other State Governments in relation to accessible transport?

MR ROBERTS ASKED THE ATTORNEY–GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—

With reference to orders issued under the Peace and Good Behaviour Act—

(1) How many orders have been issued under the Act for each of the years 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995 and 1996 respectively?

(2) How many cases involving a breach of such orders occurred for each year respectively, and how many prosecutions or penalties were applied as a result of such breaches?

(3) How many orders involved or were granted on the basis of threats or fear of violence against the complainant?

(4) How many breaches of orders involved violence?

(5) What type of penalties were applied for each breach dealt with by the court?

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

(1) Will he confirm that if a Rural Fire Brigade needs to change an “O” ring in breathing equipment, a procedure which takes 20 seconds, it is necessary for them to take the equipment to town and pay $140.00 for its repair?

(2) Will he explain reasons for this inefficient and inequitable practice which penalises Rural Fire Brigades, whose members are supposed to pay these sums of money out of their own funds?
TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

Mr J Goss, Miss Simpson and Mr Stephan

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