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The House meets this day at 9.30am

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7 LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) – Resumption of second reading debate (4 June 1997, Mr Livingstone)

8 NATURAL RESOURCES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (5 June 1997, Mr Palaszczuk)

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

10 APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL AND APPROPRIATION BILL – Referred to Estimates Committees (5 June 1997)

NOTICES OF MOTION – REVOCATIONS

(Notice given 29 April 1997)

1 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.

2 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.
GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR THURSDAY NEXT – HOUSE TO TAKE NOTE OF COMMITTEE REPORT

(Notice given 8 July 1997)


QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The following questions were asked on Tuesday, 8 July 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 Thursday, 7 August, 1997.

688 MR BEATTIE ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to the formal presentation in Monaco recently of Queensland's bid for an Expo in 2002—

(1) How was Queensland's bid for this Expo received by the Bureau of International Expositions?
(2) How did it compare with the bid from the Philippines?
(3) What likelihood is there of further bids coming forward from other countries for this Expo?
(4) What likelihood is there of the bureau favouring the Philippines as a developing country ahead of Queensland's bid?
(5) What is the present composition of nations in the bureau and how does this compare with that in existence at the time of Expo 88 and which countries have joined since Expo 88?
(6) What likelihood is there of this changed membership favouring the Philippines bid for Expo 2002?

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

With reference to the practice of gun dealers advertising "Shooting Permits" for sale—

(1) Is he aware of this practice?
(2) Does the practice circumvent the weapons legislation; if so, will he be taking action to prevent the sale of "Shooting Permits"?

690 MR ROBERTSON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the parcel of land on the eastern severance of the Southern Brisbane Bypass at Stretton commonly known as the Klienschmidt land which is now owned by the Department of Transport and Main Roads—

(1) How much of the land formerly owned by the Klienschmidt family does the department now own?
(2) How much did the department pay for this land?
(3) Does the department intend to transfer ownership of this land to the Brisbane City Council for inclusion into Karawatha Forest; if so, when?
(4) How much of the eastern severance of the Klienschmidt land will be transferred to the Brisbane City Council?

(5) If the Klienschmidt land is not to be transferred to the Brisbane City Council, what does the Department of Transport intend to use this land for in the future?

691 **MR SMITH ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE (MR LINGARD)—**

(1) What long-term role does he see for the former orphanage "Carramar" in his diversionary concept for Townsville?

(2) When were the contracts or work orders issued for the refurbishment of "Carramar"?

(3) Prior to those contracts or orders being made, was there any consultation with the North Ward Community; if not, why not?

(4) What does he understand by the term "Community Consultation"?

(5) On 24 May, did he conduct a press conference before he had met with all the groups of individuals who wished to express their concerns to him concerning "Carramar"?

(6) Why did he not give those persons the opportunity to be heard before he held his press conference?

(7) On Thursday, 5 June, did he telephone any North Ward resident and did he tell any person that he would not use "Carramar" as part of his "Diversionary Concept" and that before it was used for anything, he would consult with local residents?

(8) On Friday, 6 June, did he tell any person at a press conference that "Carramar" would definitely be used; if so, when did he change his mind and why?

(9) Did he telephone any resident of North Ward on the evening of Sunday, 15 June, and did he tell any person that "Carramar" would not be used as part of his diversionary concept but that it would be used as emergency accommodation for young girls, some of whom have babies?

(10) On 17 June, did he receive a facsimile from a group of North Ward residents in which they sought to confirm that "Carramar" was to be used for overnight accommodation for young females and that it was to be utilised strictly on a trial basis for six months?

(11) What does he understand by the term "Trial basis for six months"?

(12) How can he justify spending $270,000 on a facility which is on trial for six months?

(13) In the light of his assurances to North Ward residents and his answers to the Estimates Committee on 19 June, how can he explain the report in the *Townsville Bulletin* of 6 July that a 35 year old woman, Ms Doomadgee, had been housed in "Carramar" for three successive nights?

692 **MR McGrady asked the Premier (Mr Borbidge)—**

What were the total costs to the Queensland Government in relation to the negotiations of the Century Zinc Mine, in particular (a) the travelling costs, (b) consultancy fees, (c) sitting fees and (d) any other costs associated with this project borne by the Queensland Government?

693 **Mr Nunn asked the Minister for Environment (Mr Littleproud)—**

With reference to three whale watching permits that he has issued in the Moreton Bay Marine Park under the *Marine Park Act*—

(1) How can these three operators conduct their whale watching operations without a conservation plan in place, as required by the *Nature Conservation Act*?

(2) When will the cetacean conservation plan be finalised and tabled in the Parliament?

(3) Will he stop the three operators in the Moreton Bay Marine Park from operating until such time as the conservation plan is finalised; if not, why not?
(4) Why isn’t his allowing these three operators to conduct their commercial operations an illegal act on their part, and official misconduct on his?

(5) Does he intend to allow these three operators access to both the northward and southward migrations of humpback whales?

694 **Mrs Lavarch asked the Minister for Emergency Services and Minister for Sport (Mr Veivers)**—

With reference to the closure of the TAB at Petrie—

What are the reasons for its closure, what consideration was given to the people of Petrie and where do they now go if they wish to place a bet or take his invitation to drop into the TAB and have a go at Keno?

695 **Mr Milliner asked the Minister for Environment (Mr Littleproud)**—

With reference to the extraction of sand and gravel from the Burnett River in the Walla Weir area before the required studies were completed, the necessary permits issued by the Department of Environment and an environment management plan prepared—

(1) What legal action under the *Environmental Protection Act* is he now taking and against whom; if none, why not?

(2) What action is he taking to return the normal flow in the river pending the completion of baseline data for the lungfish, platypus and elseya tortoise?

(3) What is the current status of these reports?

(4) What discussions has he had with the Minister for Natural Resources and the Federal Environment Minister over this matter?

696 **Mr Briskey asked the Minister for Natural Resources (Mr Hobbs)**—

With reference to breaches of the *Environmental Protection Act* that have occurred at Walla Weir as a result of the extraction of sand and gravel at the site without relevant permits from the Department of Environment and before an environment management plan has been finalised—

(1) How could he have allowed such flagrant violations of this State’s environment laws and what steps has he taken to correct this violation and ensure it never happens again?

(2) Why has he allowed the normal river flows in the Burnett River to be altered before the reports on the threatened species likely to be affected are completed and published?

(3) What discussions has he had with the Federal Environment Minister on this matter?

697 **Mr Elder asked the Minister for Transport and Main Roads (Mr Johnson)**—

With reference to *The Courier-Mail* article (page 16, 12 May) which reported a renewed interest in the private sector purchase of Queensland Government-owned air and sea ports in the aftermath of the Brisbane Airport sale—

(1) Does he agree or disagree with the Commission of Audit finding that “—there is no need for the State to retain ownership of airports (eg. Mackay or Cairns) —”? 

(2) Does he believe there is a continuing role for Government-owned port corporations to control and/or operate Queensland’s port infrastructure?

(3) Has his department conducted, since the Coalition took office and since the Commission of Audit report was finalised, any research, investigation or analysis of the possibility of selling all or any of the Government’s port authorities or their assets?

698 **Mr Mulherin asked the Minister for Mines and Energy (Mr Gilmore)**—

With reference to State-owned gas turbine plants—
(1) Where are they located?
(2) What is the generation capacity of these plants?
(3) What is the current availability?
(4) Has any plant been unavailable for more than a three month period; if so, which plant?
(5) When will plant be available?
(6) Does any Government-owned generation corporation plan to decommission any gas turbine plant; if so, which plant?

699 MR HAMILL ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MRS SHELDON)—
With reference to the merger of Suncorp, QIDC and Metway Bank—
(1) What was the budgetary impact (revenue and cost of Government activities related to) of the Suncorp Metway merger in 1996–97?
(2) As her incomplete answer to Estimates Committee A Question on Notice A3 stated that dividends from the new Suncorp Metway will exceed the income received through dividends from Suncorp and QIDC, will they exceed the total dividend/tax equivalent stream from those two organisations (just under $90m in 1995–96.)?
(3) How much of the proceeds from the sale of Metway shares will need to be reinvested to replace the previous dividend/TER stream mentioned above?

700 MS SPENCE ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MRS SHELDON)—
With reference to her Landmark Women's Speech of 1996 in which she announced the signposting of women's historical sites in Queensland as one of the Government's major initiatives—
(1) How many women's historical sites have been identified and given signage in the last 14 months?
(2) Where are these sites?
(3) Which department is undertaking this work?
(4) What is the cost of the project to date?

701 MR DOLLIN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—
In 1996, he was reported in Maryborough media stating that a start would be made in 1997 on the establishment of a major shopping complex on redundant Queensland Rail land in the city centre and as there has been no obvious signs of progress made towards this end, will he explain why this important project for Maryborough has stalled?

702 MR FOURAS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—
What arrangements are in place for the provision of ambulance services at sporting competitions?

703 MR PURCELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—
With reference to his answer to my earlier Question on Notice No. 523 received on 4 June, regarding the opportunities to limit the noise of trains operating between the Moreton Coal Fields and Fisherman Island, and noting his comment that the quietest locomotives are the new generation diesel electric locomotives, although axle load limitations at certain points along the route preclude their use—
(1) What works would need to be undertaken to upgrade bridges and track west of Redbank to allow coal trains to utilise the new generation diesel electric locomotives?

(2) What would be the cost of any such works, and what would be the cost of the necessary number of new locomotives to perform the coal haulage task?

(3) Do these axle load limitations extend beyond the Moreton Coal Fields onto the Darling Downs; if so, what works would need to be undertaken to upgrade bridges and track to allow grain and other port-bound trains to utilise the new generation diesel electric locomotives?

(4) What would be the cost of any such additional works, and what would be the cost of the necessary number of new locomotives to perform the grain/other haulage task?

(5) Is it likely that any of these track/bridge upgrading projects would be undertaken in any event as part of the long term rail infrastructure development plans of QR?

704 MR PEARCE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the involvement of the Division of Workplace Health and Safety in the investigation of workplace incidents which result in serious injury to or the death of Queensland Rail employees—

Who determines when the Division of Workplace Health and Safety shall be involved in the investigation of an incident and what procedures are in place to ensure that Queensland Rail is accountable to its employees in so far as the integrity of any investigation?

705 MR McELLIGOTT ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to the establishment of a capital works monitoring system in his department which confirms his responsibility for the overall management of the capital works program—

(1) Why did he allow the situation where over 170 different capital works projects failed to meet their budget, such that $480m was not spent on those projects, and $400m of this year’s announced spending is just recycled funding from last year?

(2) If he claims that many of these funds were reallocated within the financial year, where were they reallocated to, and did these alternative expenditures create as many jobs as would have been created if the money had been spent as planned?

706 MR ROBERTS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to the Bramble Bay area—

(1) What action is the Department of Environment taking to identify the extent of the reported decline of macrobenthic invertebrates?

(2) Will this entail subtidal sampling as well as intertidal sampling?

(3) What action is the department taking to identify the causal agent for any decline of the macrobenthos?

(4) What implications does the reported decline have for the fishing and crabbing industries, given that Bramble Bay is recognised as one of the most important fish habitats in south east Queensland?

707 MR NUTTALL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to an area of land adjacent to the Deagon Deviation at Brighton where a number of homes have been built in recent times (Walton Place, Brighton) and as the homes abutting the Deagon Deviation have been excluded from noise amelioration measures undertaken by the Department of Transport when a program was put in place to ease the noise levels for other residents living next door at the Bayside Caravan Park and further along the deviation in the older established areas of Brighton—
(1) With regard to the residents living in Walton Place, Brighton whose homes are
severely affected from the lack of appropriate noise amelioration measures, can he
advise whether negotiations between his department (Main Roads) and the
Brisbane City Council have reached an outcome that will be satisfactory to the
residents of Walton Place?

(2) In the event that the Brisbane City Council refuses to accept any liability for the
situation, is he in a position to guarantee to the residents of Walton Place that his
department will provide the funding required to erect an appropriate noise
amelioration fence on the correct boundaries; if so, will he give an indication of what
time-frame his department would be considering to implement the program that will
provide relief for the residents of Walton Place from the noise emanating from the
adjacent Deagon Deviation?

708 MR PALASZCZUK ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS
(MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the ongoing negotiations between the Main Roads Department and Mr
Doug Weaver of Considine Street, Ellengrove over the purchase of his property by the
Main Roads Department required for the construction of the Centenary Highway
extension—

(1) Is he aware that during negotiations, police were called in by his officers to harass
Mr Weaver?

(2) When will the department enter into meaningful discussions with Mr Weaver to
effect a reasonable settlement over the purchase of Mr Weaver's property; if not,
will he use his discretion and intervene personally and directly during the
negotiations?

709 MR WELFORD ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to the failed tyre and oil levy proposed by the Minister for Environment,
and abandoned by the Premier—

(1) Is he pursuing avenues with a view to introducing a levy on tyres and/or oils?

(2) What role does Mr John Loxton perform in the Premier's Department?

(3) Is Mr Loxton involved in selective consultations with various recycling operators with
a view to implementing a tyre levy?

(4) What role is Mr Doug Elmer playing in the secret consultations regarding the
disposal or recycling of tyres?

(5) Is the Premier's Department proposing to provide any funding for a future waste tyre
management scheme?

(6) What funding is currently being provided to conduct these consultations?

(7) Have any industry operators put in a proposal or a quote to establish a scheme?

(8) Should such a scheme be established, what will be the size of the levy?

(9) What role is Mr Bruce Heath playing in these secret negotiations?

(10) Is Mr Heath employed by the Government; if so, by which department; if not, by
whom?

(11) When will he disclose the outcome of these secret consultancies to other
participants and industry stakeholders who are currently being kept in the dark?

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

With reference to the future drain on funding for the arts arising out of her bankcard–style
recoverable loan of $6.8m for implementation of her arts portfolio restructuring—

(1) What areas of future arts funding are to be cut to pay back the $6.8m?
(2) How many further arts portfolio jobs are to be lost in order to find the future savings to pay back the massive implementation costs of $6.8m?

711 MRS EDMOND ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—
(1) What waste facilities are currently receiving medical or clinical waste in Queensland?
(2) How many incineration facilities are operating in Queensland to receive medical waste and where are these?
(3) How many autoclave facilities are operating in Queensland to receive medical waste and where are these?
(4) Which of the autoclave facilities holds the required licence under the Environmental Protection Act?
(5) What action is being taken in respect of those autoclave facilities not holding a licence?
(6) Who are the owners of each of these inner incineration and autoclave facilities?
(7) Did an autoclave facility commence operation in Townsville without the appropriate licence?
(8) Is he aware whether waste being dealt with by each of these autoclave facilities is being properly segregated?
(9) Are these autoclave facilities authorised to deal with human tissue and infectious and citotoxic waste?
(10) What action is he taking to ensure these facilities are operating in accordance with National Health and Medical Research Council guidelines for the management of clinical wastes?

712 MR SCHWARTEN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—
With reference to the restructure of the Rockhampton diesel shed—
(1) How many employees will be required when the restructure is completed?
(2) How many of these will be ‘dual’ tradespeople?
(3) Will all electric locomotives continue to be serviced at that diesel shed or is there some truth in the rumour that half of their locomotives are to be transferred to other Queensland Rail business units?
(4) Why has the proposed redevelopment of the diesel shed been reduced?

713 MRS BIRD ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (DR WATSON)—
With reference to audits conducted throughout Queensland to locate, identify and document the presence of materials containing asbestos in hospital buildings—
(1) What hospitals have had asbestos removed since February 1996 and who were the builders who removed the asbestos?
(2) How were these builders nominated?
(3) Where was the material containing asbestos dumped?
(4) Was the code of practise followed and monitored?

714 MR HAYWARD ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—
With reference to the operations of the Government Air Wing in 1996–97—
(1) What was the total number of flying hours performed by the Government Air Wing in that year, and how did this compare to the budget estimate for flying hours?
(2) How much was expended on unscheduled maintenance?
(3) What was the 1996–97 budget for retained revenue from organ retrievals?

715  **MR BREDHAUER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR QUINN)—**

    With reference to the National Schools Network (NSN) which has provided significant financial assistance in the form of professional and administrative support to Queensland schools—

    (1) How much was expended on the NSN in 1996–97 and will the NSN continue in 1997–98; if so, how will it be funded and to what extent?

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

    With reference to the Family Support Worker Program—

    (1) What is the name, location and region of each service?

    (2) What funding is currently allocated to each service?

    (3) When was each service funded?

    (4) What is the total funding for this program in each departmental region?

    (5) What is the total funding for the State as a whole for this program?

717  **MRS CUNNINGHAM ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR SANTORO)—**

    With reference to discussions relating to the Industrial Relations proposals, in which it was stated over and over that the new Act would give full flexibility to workers to act independently or as a group, with or without union representation, and as the new Act would also ensure any enterprise bargaining reflected the individual workplace needs—

    (1) Why then will he not negotiate with TAFE (Qld) as a single unit as employees have requested?

    (2) Why has there been a set enterprise bargaining wage increase of 4 per cent per annum across the varied departments when this fails to give recognition to the fundamental principles of enterprise bargaining flexibility?

718  **MR T SULLIVAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—**

    With reference to the fact that people with Cystic Fibrosis (CF) now have a life expectancy well into adulthood, whereas previously most CF sufferers died before completing their teenage years; and recognising that CF units have traditionally been based mainly in children’s hospitals—

    Will he respond favourably to the submission by the Cystic Fibrosis Association of Queensland requesting proper funding in 1997–98 for a fully–staffed adult CF unit at the Prince Charles Hospital, or will he and the Treasurer allow the situation to continue where overworked medical and nursing staff are trying to spread sparse resources to too many patients, which results in unnecessary concern and suffering for CF patients?

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

    With reference to the recent refusal of North Queensland Field Days Townsville Australia to allow a three day Rural Merchandise Mart in September, which has been approved by the Acting General Manager of the Townsville Correctional Centre, subject to approval being granted by the North Queensland Field Day Committee—

    (1) As this is public land under the control of the Queensland Corrective Services Commission, on what basis do the North Queensland Field Days have the right of veto over applications of other organisations wishing to use these public facilities, who are prepared to pay appropriate rental or lease costs?

    (2) As this gives North Queensland Field Days an effective monopoly over the use of public land, controlled by the Queensland Corrective Services Commission, what is
the specific basis for this right of veto exercised by North Queensland Field Days with the express permission of the management of the Townsville Correctional Centre?

720 **MR LUCAS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—**

With reference to the proposed Port Road between the Gateway Arterial Road and Fisherman Island, and to the very dangerous nature of Lytton Road and intersections at Paringa Street, Lindum Road and Pritchard Road—

(1) What is the proposed route for the Port Road?

(2) What is the anticipated cost for construction of the Port Road?

(3) What is the timetable for construction of the Port Road and, in particular, when will construction commence?

(4) How many traffic accidents resulting in personal injury and how many traffic accidents resulting in fatalities have occurred, in the last ten years, along Lytton Road in the section from the Gateway Bridge to the bridge over the former rail spur at the Ampol Refinery?

(5) Of these accidents, which have occurred (a) at the intersection of Lytton Road and Paringa Street, (b) between Bulimba Creek and Aquarium Avenue, (c) at the intersection of Lytton Road, Gosport Street and Lindum Road and (d) at the intersection of Lytton Road and Pritchard Street?

(6) Given that Mr S Golding (Executive Director – South East – Department of Main Roads) told the Parliamentary Estimates Committee on 11 June (p.188) that the Department recognised that "... there are existing aspects of Lytton Road which need fairly urgent attention." and "An intersection with Paringa Road is a safety problem and we recognise that. We are looking at that one in particular." And "We are not planning on any major works in 1997–98.", what action will be taken to upgrade the safety of Lytton Road, and when, in order to stem the ever-increasing number of injuries resulting from a road which is clearly of an inadequate design to service one of Australia's busiest ports, at the same time as providing a major thoroughfare for the people of Wynnum and Manly?

(7) Does he not recognise that the 4-lane undivided carriageway of Lytton Road at Hemmant is extremely dangerous and that it could, relatively inexpensively, be separated by a raised median street by widening Lytton Road on to the very large verge area on its northern side at Hemmant?

(8) Will he give a commitment to urgently undertake the upgrading work referred to in questions 6 and 7?

721 **MR ARDILL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR GILMORE)—**

With reference to his use of a figure of $700m as the total estimated cost for rehabilitation for the mines in Queensland—

(1) Will he confirm that figure?

(2) If this amount is correct, on what basis is that figure calculated?

(3) If he no longer supports the $700m figure, did he set out to deliberately mislead the people of Queensland as to the true situation on this issue, or was he misled by his department?

(4) If he was misled by his department, what action has he taken, or will he take to find out which departmental officers sought to mislead a Minister of the Crown and why they should do such a thing?

(5) If the department did not mislead him and through him the people of Queensland, is it the situation then that the department data base is so inadequate that it honestly produces a figure that respected industry sources predict will turn out to be less than half the true figure; if so, what action has he taken, or will he take to rectify the situation?
(6) Will he initiate an audit, internal inquiry or review of some sort to get to the bottom of this matter; if not, why not?

(7) Given the massive amounts of toxic materials, acid mine drainage and salinity silt that can be produced from mining operations, does he agree that it is vital for both him and his department to have accurate, reliable and up to date information about the management and regulation of mine site rehabilitation?

722 MRS. ROSE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to comments made by him in the Gold Coast Bulletin, regarding the Palm Beach Police Station—

(1) Will any police officers be drawn from the Coolangatta and Burleigh Heads Police Stations to staff the Palm Beach Police Station?

(2) How many officers will be located at the Palm Beach Police Station when it opens?

(3) How many civilians will be employed at the Palm Beach Police Station?

723 MR. CAMPBELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—With reference to the State Government's decision to close the birthing unit at the Bundaberg Base Hospital and the representations made by the public and myself to retain the services of this unit—

(1) Why did the Government close this birthing unit?

(2) Why are these services being offered in other areas of Queensland yet closed in Bundaberg?

(3) In the interests of equity and fairness for birthing mothers and their families in Bundaberg will he intercede in this issue and reinstate this very important service to the Bundaberg region?

724 MR. J. SULLIVAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—

With reference to the strategic plan for the State lands on Bribie Island being prepared by the Department of Natural Resources—

(1) Will he confirm that a draft document is circulating within his department and other departments with an interest in the matter?

(2) Will he advise whether or not this document recognises that sand mining is a potential use for some of those State lands?

(3) Will he indicate when the final document will be released?

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

Which fire stations, of those staffed by full–time officers of the Queensland Fire and Rescue Authority have only one officer rostered on a shift at a time, for any part of the 24 hours, and which fire stations have only two officers rostered on for any shift for any part of the 24 hours and which stations, as a matter of recent practice, generally have only one or two officers rostered on at a time?
TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

Mr J Goss, Miss Simpson and Mr Stephan

ESTIMATES COMMITTEES

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE A**
**Members**—Mr Woolmer (Chairman), Messrs Beattie, Grice, Hamill and Healy and Ms Spence
**Organisational Units**—
- Office of the Governor
- Legislative Assembly
- Queensland Audit Office
- Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations
- Department of the Premier and Cabinet
- Department of Economic Development and Trade
- Treasury Department
- Any other organisational units within the portfolios of the Premier and the Treasurer
**Hearing Date**—Tuesday, 10 June 1997
**Reports**—
- Report No. 1 in relation to the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill
- Report No. 2 in relation to the Appropriation Bill

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE B**
**Members**—Mr Stephan (Chairman), Messrs Barton and Carroll, Mrs Cunningham and Messrs Foley and Wells
**Organisational Units**—
- Attorney-General and Minister for Justice
- Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister for Racing
- Minister for Emergency Services and Minister for Sport
**Hearing Date**—Wednesday, 11 June 1997
**Report**—
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**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE C**
**Members**—Mr J Goss (Chairman), Mr Baumann, Mrs Bird and Messrs Elder, Healy and Mackenroth
**Organisational Units**—
- Minister for Transport and Main Roads
- Minister for Public Works and Housing
**Hearing Date**—Thursday, 12 June 1997
**Report**—
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**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE D**
**Members**—Mrs Warwick (Chairman), Messrs Gibbs, Mackenroth, Mitchell, Rowell and Welford
**Organisational Units**—
- Minister for Environment
- Minister for Tourism, Small Business and Industry
- Minister for Local Government and Planning
**Hearing Dates**—Friday, 13 and Friday, 20 June 1997
**Report**—
- Report No. 1 in relation to the Appropriation Bill

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE E**
**Members**—Mr Elliott (Chairman), Messrs McGrady, Malone, Palaszczuk, Radke and Schwarten
**Organisational Units**—
- Minister for Primary Industries, Fisheries and Forestry
- Minister for Mines and Energy
- Minister for Natural Resources
**Hearing Date**—Tuesday, 17 June 1997
**Report**—
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ESTIMATES COMMITTEE F—

Members—
Mr Lester (Chairman), Messrs Braddy, Bredhauer, Hegarty, Roberts and Tanti

Organisational Units—
• Minister for Education
• Minister for Training and Industrial Relations

Hearing Date—
Wednesday, 18 June 1997

Report—
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ESTIMATES COMMITTEE G—

Members—
Mrs Gamin (Chairman), Ms Bligh, Mr Carroll, Ms Edmond, Ms Spence and Miss Simpson

Organisational Units—
• Minister for Health
• Minister for Families, Youth and Community Care

Hearing Date—
Thursday, 19 June 1997

Report—
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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)
• Issues Paper No. 2 – Privacy in Queensland (Tabled 4 June 1997)

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, Carroll, Hollis, Nutfall and Robertson

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)
• Report on the Accountability of the CJJC to the PCJC (Report No. 38) (Tabled 9 May 1997)
PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—

**Members**—
Mr Woolmer (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 Levies
- Tendering Processes
- Statutory Role in the Strategic Review of the Queensland Audit Office

**Reports**—
- State Government Credit Cards – Striking the Balance Between Accountability and Efficiency? (Report No. 36) (Tabled 5 December 1996)
- Health Assessments – Department of Public Works and Housing (Report No. 39) (Tabled 5 December 1996)

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
- Construction of a standard gauge rail line to Fisherman Islands
- Inquiry into the operations of Q-Build.

**Reports**—
- Inquiry into the Redevelopment of the Cairns Base Hospital (Report No. 32) (Tabled 23 July 1996)
- Inquiry into the Expansion of the Lotus Glen Correctional Centre Farm (Report No. 33) (Tabled 23 July 1996)
- Construction of the New Woodford Correctional Centre (Report No. 34) (Tabled 29 October 1996)
- Till Train Project (Report No. 35) (Tabled 26 March 1997)
- Expansion of the Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal (Report No. 36) (Tabled 8 May 1997)
- Redevelopment of the Princess Alexandra Hospital (Interim Report) (Tabled 27 May 1997)

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)
- Alert Digest No. 2 of 1996 (Tabled 30 April 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 3 of 1996 (Tabled 14 May 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 4 of 1996 (Tabled 9 July 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 5 of 1996 (Tabled 23 July 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 6 of 1996 (Tabled 6 August 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 7 of 1996 (Tabled 3 September 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 8 of 1996 (Tabled 10 September 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 9 of 1996 (Tabled 8 October 1996)
- Workplace Health and Safety Amendment Regulation (1) 1996 (Tabled 10 October 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 10 of 1996 (Tabled 29 October 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 11 of 1996 (Tabled 12 November 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 12 of 1996 (Tabled 26 November 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 13 of 1996 (Tabled 3 December 1996)
- Alert Digest No. 1 of 1997 (Tabled 28 January 1997)
- The Use of “Henry VIII Clauses” in Queensland Legislation (Tabled 28 January 1997)
- Alert Digest No. 2 of 1997 (Tabled 18 March 1997)
- Alert Digest No. 3 of 1997 (Tabled 25 March 1997)
- Alert Digest No. 4 of 1997 (Tabled 29 April 1997)
- Alert Digest No. 5 of 1997 (Tabled 7 May 1997)
- Alert Digest No. 5 of 1997 – Supplement dealing with the Local Government Legislation Amendment Bill (Tabled 8 May 1997)
- Alert Digest No. 6 of 1997 (Tabled 3 June 1997)
- Alert Digest No. 7 of 1997 (Tabled 8 July 1997)
- Report on Government Owned Corporations (QGC1–3 and AEC) Regulation 1997 (Tabled 8 July 1997)

SELECT COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURAL REVIEW—

**Members**—
Mr Speaker (ex officio Chairman), Messrs Bredhauer and FitzGerald, Hon. D Fouras, Mr Laming and Hon. T Mackenroth

**Report**—
- Review of the Estimates Committee Process (Tabled 9 July 1996)
SELECT COMMITTEE ON TRAVELSAFE—

Members—
Mr J Goss (Chairman), Messrs Dollin, Hegarty, Mitchell, Nunn and T Sullivan

Current Inquiries—
- Queensland’s Increasing Road Toll
- Passenger Safety and Security on the Brisbane Citytrain Network
- Compulsory BAC Testing in Hospitals

Reports—
- Driver Training and Licensing (Tabled 3 April 1996)
- Unsecured Vehicle Loads (Report No. 20) (Tabled 16 May 1997)

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—

Members—
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