NOTICE PAPER

for

THURSDAY, 21 AUGUST 1997

The House meets this day at 9.30am

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

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2 RACING AND BETTING AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (19 August 1997, Mr Gibbs)

3 CORRECTIVE SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (19 August 1997, Mr Barton)

4 FIRE AND RESCUE AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (19 August 1997, Mr Wells)

5 PRISONERS INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER (QUEENSLAND) BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (19 August 1997, Mr Foley)

*6 SUCCESSION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (20 August 1997, Mr Foley)

*7 TRUST ACCOUNTS AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (20 August 1997, Mr Foley)

*8 ELECTRICITY AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2) – Resumption of second reading debate (20 August 1997, Mr McGrady)

*9 CENTURY ZINC PROJECT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (20 August 1997, Mr McGrady)

*10 DENTAL TECHNICIANS AND DENTAL PROSTHETISTS AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (20 August 1997, Mrs Edmond)

NOTICE OF MOTION – REVOCATION

(Notice given 19 August 1997)

1 MR LITTLEPROUD to move—

(1) That this House requests the Governor in Council to revoke by a regulation the dedication as protected area under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 of the area specified in the documents tabled on 19 August 1997, be carried out; and

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

NOTICES OF MOTION FOR THURSDAY NEXT – HOUSE TO TAKE NOTE OF COMMITTEE REPORTS

(Notice given 11 July 1997)

2 Notice Paper for Thursday, 21 August 1997

(Notice given 19 August 1997)


GENERAL BUSINESS

NOTICE OF MOTION – DISALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

(Notice given 11 July 1997)

1 MR BRADDY to move – That the Workplace Relations Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 1997, tabled in the House on 27 May 1997, be disallowed.

NOTICE OF MOTION – DISSENT FROM SPEAKER’S RULING

(Notice given 19 August 1997)

1 MR BEATTIE to move – That Mr Speaker’s Ruling on Tuesday, 19 August be dissented from.

NOTICES OF MOTION

(Notice given 20 August 1997)

*1 MRS CUNNINGHAM to move – That this Parliament objects to the actions of the Attorney General for failing to take note of concerns expressed about the selection of suitable Commissioners to undertake a review of the efficiency of the Criminal Justice Commission which has resulted in this Commission of Inquiry being brought into disrepute.

*2 MR ROBERTSON to move – That this House condemns the Minister for Transport and Main Roads for ignoring the legitimate concerns of southside residents by, on 19 August 1997, failing to rule out the construction of a freight rail line through southern suburbs to the Port of Brisbane and for delaying the study into this freight rail line until after the next State election, thereby avoiding public scrutiny and accountability to the community in a blatant attempt to prop up members of the Government who show such contempt for concerned residents that they describe them as ‘rat bags’ and ‘stirrers’.
QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The following questions were asked on Wednesday, 20 August, 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 Friday, 19 September, 1997.

862 MR McELLIGOTT ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY (MR PERRETT)—

With reference to the grave threat to the sugar cane crops in the Burdekin posed by the greyback cane grub—

Will he speed up the introduction of Metarhizium which occurs naturally in the soil and which should not, therefore, be subject to the same pre-registration trials required for man-made chemicals?

863 MR BEATTIE ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

(1) What action is he taking to take the issue of the Townsville diversionary centre from Mr Lingard?

(2) Is he aware of the confusion Mr Lingard has caused the Townsville community by his constant changing of position from Ecklin Street to Stanley Street to North Ward and the Bohle?

(3) How much has Mr Lingard's constant changes cost Queensland taxpayers to date?

(4) Who in his office or department will take control of the issue?

(5) Exactly how incompetent have you got to be to be sacked from his Ministry or, in Mr Lingard's case, do you just expect it?

864 MR DOLLIN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

(1) Why is he closing the Lady Musgrave Unit at Maryborough Hospital after only three and a half years?

(2) How many maternity beds will be tacked on to the end of the surgical ward and what impact will this have on surgical ward patients?

(3) Why is he breaking an election promise and closing the children's ward at the Maryborough Hospital?

(4) Is the children's ward in close proximity to the medical ward; if so, what types of patients are there in the medical ward?

(5) How many criminals have been kept in the medical ward and what security arrangements are in place to ensure the children are not in danger?

865 MR ROBERTS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (DR WATSON)—

With reference to work carried out by a contractor on two houses at 12 and 14 Funnel Street, Zillmere—

(1) Were stormwater pipes at these properties damaged during construction of carports and the damaged pipes never repaired, rather they were covered with either concrete or a carport, thereby hiding the damage?

(2) When was this damage reported to departmental officers, when was it repaired, and by whom?

(3) Why do nearby residents continue to report that the repairs have never been undertaken?

(4) Were private gardens of residents damaged during the work of these contractors, as well as personal property broken, mud traipsed through carpeted interiors and lifestyles disrupted; if so, why?
MR MULHERIN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—
With reference to his altered captive breeding program for the endangered hairy–nosed wombat—
(1) Which institutions are involved in this new program and in which way?
(2) Are captive breeding programs for southern hairy–nosed wombats being established at "The Woolshed" at Ferny Grove and at Fieay's Wildlife Park; if so, why?
(3) Has Dubbo Zoo yet established a captive colony of southern hairy–nosed wombats at its zoo?
(4) What financial support is the Queensland Government giving to the establishment of any captive colony of southern hairy–nosed wombats?
(5) Where are these southern hairy–nosed wombats being drawn from and are any coming from wild caught stock?

MR HAMILL ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—
With reference to the establishment of the whole of Government capital works monitoring system established in his department—
(1) In respect of each department and agency funded from the consolidated fund, what was the allocation for capital works from this fund in 1997–98?
(2) What proportion of this allocation was spent in respect of each department and agency as at 31 July?

MR HOLLIS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—
With reference to his 1995 pre-election commitment to the Greyhound Racing Industry that he would establish a greyhound racing facility north of Albion Park to compensate for the closure of the Lawnton Greyhound Track—
(1) Does he still intend to honour this commitment; if so, in view of the competing interests of Redcliffe, Dakabin and Lawnton, will he ensure the Queensland taxpayers interests' are protected by taking the most economically viable option available?
(2) When will he make a decisive announcement on this issue?

MR NUTTAL ASKED THE ATTORNEY–GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—
With reference to recent media coverage of the appearance of Mr Craig Stephen Bax before the Queensland Law Society's Statutory Committee for professional misconduct and, in particular, comments attributed to the Minister in the media regarding the lodgement of an appeal against the inadequacy of the penalty imposed on Mr Bax by the Queensland Law Society's Statutory Committee—
(1) Is the offence for which Mr Bax has been found guilty forgery under the Criminal Code?
(2) Has there been, or is there presently, a police investigation into the matters involving Mr Bax; if not, why not?
(3) Are any further charges being considered?

MR PALASZCZUK ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—
With reference to a briefing note prepared for him by a Cairns–based departmental officer called Allan Cattermole on 8 July, in which he expressed concerns about arrangements for the Eco–Challenge race in North Queensland—
(1) What is Mr Cattermole's position within the department?
(2) Did he receive this briefing note; if so, when?
(3) If he didn’t receive it, what and who stopped it making its way to his office as Mr Cattermole obviously intended?

(4) Which points in this briefing note does he disagree with, and on what and whose advice does he base this disagreement?

(5) Is he comfortable with the procedure his department follows that obviously prevents briefing notes prepared by senior regional officers from reaching him, and what does he intend to do to rectify the situation?

(6) Is he satisfied that the safety concerns raised in the briefing note were adequately addressed prior to the Eco–Challenge event?

871 MS BLIGH ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to recent announcements regarding the redevelopment of the Boggo Road precinct, including the development of a high–tech industry park—

(1) Have any discussions been held with the University of Queensland regarding the possible involvement of the university in the high–tech park?

(2) Have any such discussions included discussion of a vehicle bridge being constructed between the St Lucia campus and Dutton Park?

(3) Will he rule out any plans to construct a bridge across the Brisbane River between St Lucia and Dutton Park?

872 MR PURCELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR GILMORE)—

(1) Has he, his department or SEQEB had any talks with Sithe Industries who have Brisbane City Council town planning approval to build a 500 megawatt gas powered station on what is known as Gibson Island near the mouth of the Brisbane River; if so, (a) what cost will the State buy the power for, (b) what environmental restrictions will be placed on the station if any, (c) when will the station start putting power into the State grid and (d) how many employees will the new power station employ?

(2) Has he any plans to convert Swanbank Power Station to gas as it is the single largest polluter in the Brisbane air shed; if so, will the conversion to gas be over time so that coal miners and power station workers will be looked after and given timely notice to find alternative work?

873 MR LUCAS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR QUINN)—

With reference to the urgent need for a performing arts complex to be provided at the Wynnum North State High School and the lobbying for this project undertaken by both myself and the school community—

(1) Will he (in accordance with the request in my letter to him of 23 May, which request he has ignored) make arrangements for me to meet the appropriate departmental officers so as they may provide me with a detailed briefing concerning assessment of such proposals including (a) procedures involved by which an assessment is made for inclusion on the capital lists, (b) prioritising that capital list so as immediate funding decisions are made and (c) what detailed evidence is required to be placed before the department so as to demonstrate the immediate and high priority of the proposed Wynnum North State High School Performing Arts Complex?

(2) Will he release documents to myself and the school community to demonstrate his obvious view that the performing arts complex is not of a high priority and why schools in other areas have had their proposals constructed?

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

With reference to declared fish habitats along the Queensland coast—

(1) Where are these fish habitats located and what area do they cover?

(2) What restrictions apply to fishing in these fish habitats?
(3) How many fish sanctuaries exist along the Queensland coast, where are they located and what area do they cover?

(4) What restrictions apply to fishing in these sanctuaries?

875 **MR FOURAS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING (DR WATSON)—

(1) Is he aware that the Inner West Home Assist–Home Secure Project (HAS) has had to substantially reduce the available financial assistance for needy pensioners and the disabled for security upgrades and home maintenance from $23,000 in 1996–97 to $5,000 in 1997–98?

(2) Is he also aware that this difficulty is being experienced by all 36 HAS projects?

(3) Will he, as a matter of urgency, provide a funding upgrade to redress this unacceptable situation?

876 **MR BRISKEY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the ongoing serious assaults occurring on the Cleveland line—

When will he ensure that school children can travel to and from school in safety?

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

With reference to recent allegations by a Whitsunday drug dealer that a senior Queensland police officer stole $5,000 from him during a police drug raid on the dealer's car—

(1) How many other allegations of similar police theft have been made against Queensland police in recent times?

(2) Does he find it perplexing that all five police officers involved in the raid had no independent recollection of the drug dealers arrest?

(3) Does he find it odd that the dealer, after having been found in possession of 237 grams of marijuana, was only fined $500?

(4) What provisions has he put into place to ensure that all future drug raids properly account for all drugs and/or monies seized?

878 **MRS LAVARCH** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—

With reference to the Queensland Ambulance Service and the recent experience of Ms Kylie Griffin of Lawnton, who made an emergency call to the Queensland Ambulance Service on 26 July—

(1) Will he give an undertaking that Kurwongbah residents in the North Pine Rivers area will be serviced by the Petrie Ambulance Station rather than the Sandgate Ambulance Station?

(2) Will he provide details of the number of emergencies in the North Pine Rivers area which are serviced by ambulance units from other areas?

(3) How many emergency calls from outside the Petrie station's coverage area does the Petrie station service, taking units away from the area?

(4) Will he provide details of funding allocated to ambulance services in the Kurwongbah Electorate in 1996–97 and estimated funding levels for 1997–98?

(5) Will he provide current average and standard deviation statistics for emergency response times in Kurwongbah?
879 **MS SPENCE ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—**

1. Is he aware of a report into the practices of AVCO Financial Services Ltd by the Legal Aid Commission of NSW and the Consumer Credit Legal Centre of NSW entitled “In Whose Interest”?

2. Does he think that the conduct of AVCO Financial Services Ltd as revealed in the report warrants the use of the negative licensing provisions of Part 6 of the Consumer Credit (Queensland) Act?

3. Does he intend to instruct the relevant officers within the Office of Consumer Affairs to investigate the conduct of AVCO Financial Services Ltd with a view to applying to the Court to prohibit them from acting as a credit provider in Queensland, as they can under Section 23 of the Act?

4. Does he at least intend to instruct the relevant officers within the Office of Consumer Affairs to ask AVCO Financial Services Ltd to enter into a Conduct Deed under Section 19 of the Act giving certain undertakings as to its conduct in Queensland?

5. If he does not think that the conduct of AVCO Financial Services Ltd as revealed in the report warrants such action, what action does he think would do so?

6. As the report reveals that AVCO Financial Services Ltd is still charging up to 29 per cent interest on its personal loans to consumers, and as the Act (Section 14) allows the Governor-in-Council to make regulations prescribing a maximum annual percentage rate, will he be seeking to exercise this power and to urge the other members of MECCA to do so; if not, what does he think is a permissible interest rate for consumer lending?

7. As the report reveals that AVCO Financial Services Ltd has been selling life insurance policies from its wholly owned subsidiary, Hallmark Insurance, with its loans to consumers who already have paid for life insurance as part of their superannuation, what steps will he take to warn Queensland consumers and to prevent such over-selling in the future?

8. As the report reveals that AVCO Financial Services Ltd has engaged in practices which can only be described as debt collection by humiliation, does he think that this is appropriate for Queensland consumers faced with difficult circumstances, and what steps will he take to prevent such practices in the future?

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

1. What is the Budget for 1997–98 for the development of the new combined Computer Aided Dispatch Centre at Spring Hill?

2. What is the projected completion date for the facility?

3. What are the projected running costs of the facility?

4. What is the total cost, including all capital costs, of the establishment of the facility at Spring Hill?

5. What is the current running costs, including capital costs, of Firecom, taken over a year?

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

With reference to the major fish kill in the Coomera River in November 1996—

1. Have officers of the Environment Department investigated the extent of this environmental disaster and its causes?

2. What were the extent of the impacts on fish and other fauna?

3. Was the disaster caused by the escape of feedlot waste; if not, what other cause was identified?
(4) What was the source of the contaminant and what volume and over what time was the contamination allowed to occur?

(5) Who are the owners of the property from which the contaminant escaped, and do they include Deputy Gold Coast Mayor, Cr Kleinschmidt?

(6) Does he acknowledge that this was a serious pollution incident; if so, could such an incident possibly have occurred without negligence?

(7) Has action been instigated to prosecute the offenders for this disgraceful environmental harm; if not, why not and is it because of Cr Kleinschmidt's membership or associations with the National Party?

882 MR LIVINGSTONE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to the matter of grazing on Diamantina Lakes National Park—

(1) When does this grazing lease expire?

(2) Has he received a request from the lessee, Stanbroke Pastoral Company, to renew or extend the lease; if so, on what basis and for how long?

(3) On what scientific basis are Doctors Lavery and Kirkpatrick of Australian Environmental International promoting this extension on behalf of Stanbroke?

(4) Has he ruled this request out of order or, if he is considering it, on what basis does he intend to circumvent the provisions of the Nature Conservation Act?

(5) Which other national parks has he received requests to allow grazing on?

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

With reference to the issue of de–regulation of the dairy industry as part of Hilmer competition reforms—

(1) Is he aware of concerns within the industry that such a move could lead to a 10 cent rise in the price of a litre of milk to consumers?

(2) Is he aware of industry concerns that in the event of total de–regulation, they could expect lower farm returns?

(3) Is he aware of industry concerns that de–regulation would inevitably lead to a drop in the quality of milk sold?

(4) Does he intend to support dairy producers in their fight to retain a farm gate price and supply quotas; if not, why not?

(5) What aspects of de–regulation of the dairy industry under Hilmer does he believe would meet a test of public benefit?

884 MR CAMPBELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

With reference to the proposed redevelopment project of the Bundaberg Hospital—

(1) Who is the architect commissioned for this project?

(2) When was this architect appointed?

(3) Has the architect undertaken public consultation in the planning process; if so, with whom and on what dates?

(4) When will final plans be available for public inspection and comment?

(5) Is there an expected cost for the redevelopment project?

(6) Have staff at the hospital had an input to the planning?

(7) What are the major aspects of these new redevelopment plans?
(8) When is the expected date for (a) the calling of tenders, (b) the commencement of construction and (c) the completion of construction?

(9) What is the expected expenditure for this project for (a) 1997–98, (b) 1998–99 and (c) 1999–2000?

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

With reference to comments by the Member for Cunningham in The Courier-Mail (late city edition) of 19 July, page 11, where he said that the QIDC – merged into Suncorp–Metway, had lost direction and was not adequately strong for rural people—

(1) What date did she have discussions with the bank to ensure that Mr Elliott's concerns were being addressed?

(2) Is it true, as Mr Elliott alleged, that some staff have $1m a month loan targets and pushed money on people who had no chance of meeting the repayments?

(3) What action is she taking as Treasurer to ensure the bank provides special services for rural people?

886 MR J SULLIVAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—

What arrangements does the Government have to ensure that SES volunteers have made a will prior to an activation, particularly prior to a dangerous activation?

887 MR HAYWARD ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the Notification of Declaration of Roadside Service Centre Facility Zones on an Access Limited State Controlled Road in the Government Gazette of 15 August and, in particular, Zones BH5 and BH6, Deception Bay Road to Caboolture–Bribie Island Road—

Will he provide details of the time frame it will take in order to get a project underway?

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

With reference to the restructuring of the Arts Office—

(1) How many jobs are to be lost in this restructuring?

(2) How many staff will lose their current positions and be obliged to apply for positions in the restructured Arts Office?

(3) What is the detailed breakdown of the total cost of $6.8m in implementing the restructure of the Arts portfolio in respect of the Arts Office and each of the statutory agencies affected?

(4) Over what period of time is it proposed that the "recoverable loan" of $6.8m will be repaid out of future arts budgets?

(5) How does she reconcile the claim in the 1996–97 budget papers that the corporate affairs restructuring would save $800,000 with her recent admission that the implementation of the Arts portfolio restructuring would in fact cost $6.8m to be repaid as a "recoverable loan"?

889 MRS ROSE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

With reference to the centralised waiting list for the Gold Coast Oral Health Service—

(1) How many patients are on the waiting list?

(2) What is the waiting time before patients can reasonably expect an appointment in their turn?

(3) Will he provide an age and gender breakdown of patients on the waiting list?
MR ARDILL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the plans for a possible new rail line to the Port of Brisbane and for a possible major rail facility at Parkinson—

(1) Is he aware that residents are still concerned, in that they believe these projects are still being advanced without disclosure to, or consultation with, the public and possibly without the knowledge of the Minister?

(2) Is he aware that there is information being disseminated in local suburbs, that Queensland Rail is purchasing land in the vicinity of existing railway property at Parkinson and Larapinta?

(3) Is he aware of a claim that Vegetation Protection Orders (VPO's) have been lifted on railway property, allowing unrestricted destruction of trees?

(4) Are any of these claims correct?

MR T SULLIVAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR QUINN)—

With reference to the revised administrative procedures being introduced into the New South Wales Education Department flowing from the findings of the Wood Commission of Inquiry regarding paedophilia—

(1) What steps are being taken to ensure that the strongest levels of protection for Queensland children are being introduced in the Queensland Education system?

(2) Does the Board of Teacher Registration have sufficient powers to scrutinise applications to the Register of Teachers and to monitor teachers on the Register; if not, what steps are being taken to give the BTR the powers necessary to ensure paedophiles do not become registered teachers in Queensland?

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

With reference to plans by the Queensland Fruit and Vegetable Growers’ Association to raise their levy on mango growers from 28 cents to 30 cents—

(1) What justification is being used for this 2 cent rise?

(2) What amount of money will this 2 cent rise raise in the first 12 months of operation?

(3) What will these additional funds be used for?

(4) What is the current breakdown of the levy currently collected by the association for purposes such as research, advertising, marketing and administration?

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

With reference to a now widely circulated document from Queensland Rail which refers to a proposed reduction of staff from 1,217 down to 941, a reduction of 276 jobs across the State with particular mention of losses in the ALP seats of Bundaberg 20, Cairns 11, Mackay 20, Maryborough 20, Rockhampton 38 and Townsville 32—

What is the time table for these proposed reductions and what categories of employment classifications are affected?
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)
• Report in Political Advertising (Tabled 2 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—
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• Review of Parliamentary Privilege
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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)
• Report No. 5 – A Citizens’ Right-of-Reply No. 1 – A response to matters raised in the Legislative Assembly on 31 October 1996 (Tabled 20 March 1997)
• Report No. 6 – A Citizen’s Right-of-Reply Nos. 2, 3 and 4 – A Response to matters raised in the Legislative Assembly on 18 March 1997 and 19 March 1997 (Tabled 10 July 1997)
• Report No. 7 – The Sub Judice Convention (Tabled 11 July 1997)
• Issues Paper No. 3 – Parliamentary Privilege in Queensland (Tabled 19 August 1997)

PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE—
Members—
Hon. V Lester (Chairman), Messrs Baumann, Carroll, Hollis, Nuttall and Robertson

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• 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 No. 38 – The Accountability of the CJC to the PCJC (Tabled 9 May 1997)
• Report No. 39 – The CJC’s Jurisdiction over Elected Officials (Tabled 11 July 1997)

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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—
• 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)
• Report No. 39 – Health Assessments – Department of Public Works and Housing (Tabled 8 May 1997)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—

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

Current Inquiries—
• Redevelopment of the Princess Alexandra Hospital
• Construction of a standard gauge rail line to Fisherman Islands
• Operations of Q-Build
• Construction of a joint Emergency Services head office facility at Kedron Park
• Construction of a replacement watchhouse and arrest courts in Brisbane

Reports—
• Report No. 32 – Redevelopment of the Cairns Base Hospital (Tabled 23 July 1996)
• Report No. 33 – Expansion of the Lotus Glen Correctional Centre Farm (Tabled 23 July 1996)
• Annual Report for 1995–96 (Tabled 8 October 1996)
• Report No. 34 – Construction of the New Woodford Correctional Centre (Tabled 29 October 1996)
• Report No. 35 – Tilt Train Project (Tabled 26 March 1997)
• Report No. 36 – Expansion of the Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal (Tabled 8 May 1997)
• Report No. 38 – The provision of infrastructure in Cape York (Tabled 27 June 1997)
• Report No. 39 – The South East Transit Project (Tabled 22 July 1997)
• Report No. 40 – The Mareeba/Dimbulah Irrigation Area Project (Tabled 19 August 1997)
• Report No. 41 – The Development of 75 William Street (Tabled 19 August 1997)

SCRUTINY OF LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—

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

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