

NOTICE PAPER

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The House meets this day at 9.30am

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GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1 **INTEGRATED PLANNING BILL** – Further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole House *(20 November 1997, Mr FitzGerald)*
- 2 **EDUCATION AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate *(29 October 1997, Mr Bredhauer)*
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- 5 **CENTRAL QUEENSLAND COAL ASSOCIATES AGREEMENT AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate *(28 October 1997, Mr Foley)*
- 6 **PRIMARY INDUSTRIES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2)** – Resumption of second reading debate *(28 October 1997, Mr Palaszczuk)*
- 7 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 3)** – Resumption of second reading debate *(30 October 1997, Mr Livingstone)*
- 8 **REVENUE AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate *(29 October 1997, Mr Hamill)*
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- 12 **STATUTE LAW (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate *(29 October 1997, Mr Livingstone)*
- 13 **JUSTICE AND OTHER LEGISLATION (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL (NO. 2)** – Resumption of second reading debate *(30 October 1997, Mr Foley)*
- 14 **POWERS OF ATTORNEY BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate *(8 October 1997, Mr Foley)*
- 15 **ARTS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate *(29 October 1997, Mr Foley)*
- 16 **CENTRAL QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY BILL, GRIFFITH UNIVERSITY BILL, QUEENSLAND UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY BILL, UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND BILL, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (Cognate debate) *(8 October 1997, Mr McGrady)*

- 17 **CHILDREN AND FAMILIES BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (28 October 1997, Ms Bligh)
- 18 **TOBACCO PRODUCTS (PREVENTION OF SUPPLY TO CHILDREN) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (28 October 1997, Ms Edmond)
- 19 **LAW COURTS AND STATE BUILDINGS PROTECTIVE SECURITY AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (28 October 1997, Mr Schwarten)
- 20 **TWEED RIVER ENTRANCE SAND BYPASSING PROJECT AGREEMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (29 October 1997, Mr Welford)
- 21 **AGENTS AND MOTOR DEALERS BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (30 October 1997, Ms Spence)
- 22 **APPROPRIATION BILL (NO. 2)** – Resumption of second reading debate (18 November 1997, Mr Mackenroth)
- 23 **APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL (NO. 2)** – Resumption of second reading debate (18 November 1997, Mr Mackenroth)
- 24 **QUEENSLAND BUILDING SERVICES AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (18 November 1997, Mr Mackenroth)
- 25 **EAGLE FARM RACECOURSE BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (19 November 1997, Mr Barton)
- 26 **OFFSHORE MINERALS BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (19 November 1997, Mr Barton)

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.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ORDER OF THE DAY

- 1 **CRIMINAL LAW (SEX OFFENDERS REPORTING) BILL** – Referred to Legal, Constitutional and Administrative Review Committee (18 November 1997)

NOTICE OF MOTION

(Notice given 28 October 1997)

- 1 **MS BLIGH** to move – That this Parliament recognises the right of students of East Brisbane State School to be educated in an environment which facilitates and encourages their physical, social, cultural and emotional development.

The Parliament—

- calls on the Minister for Education to guarantee that no approvals are given for the Brisbane Cricket Ground Trust to resume more East Brisbane State School land for Trust development until an independent mediator is appointed and a mutually agreeable outcome achieved for all parties; and
- calls on the Treasurer to ensure the Brisbane Cricket Ground Trust considers all possible redevelopment options, including—
 - (1) the relocation of the 800 seat function room;
 - (2) the redevelopment of other parts of the cricket ground, including the old police station site and the Brisbane City Council park, to deliver greater seating capacity without such a major impact on the school;
 - (3) an appropriate package for the redevelopment of the school's facilities, including classrooms, the library and playing space, to compensate for the imposition of the redevelopment on the school community; and
 - (4) a focus on the safety issues of children, both during and after construction.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

*The following questions were asked on **Thursday, 20 November 1997**. Answers are **required** by Sessional Orders to be hand delivered to the Bills and Papers Office, Room A.18.1, Parliament House **by 5pm on Monday, 22 December 1997**.*

- 1344 **MR BEATTIE** ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to his statement to Parliament earlier this week concerning Queensland's bid for the 2002 Expo to be held at the Gold Coast and particularly to his breast beating about the fact that he has taken on the Prime Minister and insisted that Australia be represented at Expo 2000 in Hanover as a crucial part of Queensland's push to hold the 2002 Expo, and given that Australia's participation in Expo 2000 in Hanover is deemed vital to our case—

- (1) Why has he not equally insisted that the Howard Government's fiscal constraints be overturned in relation to the 1998 Expo in Lisbon?
- (2) Given that our main competitor for 2002 Expo, namely the Philippines, will be represented both in Lisbon and Hanover, isn't it essential that Australia and Queensland be seen to support both Expos due before 2002?
- (3) When will he and the Prime Minister get professional in regard to Queensland's bid for Expo 2002 and ensure that funds are available to mount a major Australian presence at Expo 1998 in Lisbon and Expo 2000 in Hanover?

- 1345 **MR GIBBS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM, SMALL BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY (MR DAVIDSON)—

With reference to the presence on the Board of Directors of the Silicon Studio Training Centre of a senior public servant of his department—

- (1) Who is this public servant, what is his official Queensland Government position and classification, who appointed him to this directorship and why?

- (2) If he wasn't appointed officially, when was the Minister or his Chief Executive Officer alerted to this officer's acceptance of a directorship of this company, by what means and will he table the relevant document; if not, why not?
- (3) Is he aware that such notification is a requirement of a 'public official' as set out in the *Public Service Ethics Act 1994* and could he give a guarantee that no conflict of interest has occurred between this officer's Government role and that of his directorship of this company?
- (4) What role did this officer play in securing the \$2m of Government training funding for this company and, particularly, in justifying the size of the \$10,000 per trainee Government scholarship and what portion of the \$2m going to the Silicon Studio Training Centre by way of training assistance is coming from DEETYA?
- (5) Is this officer aware of the substantial discrepancy between what Silicon Studio Training Centre, of which he is a director, receives for each trainee it puts through its course as compared to what they charge a paying student and what remuneration is this officer receiving for his role as a Director of Silicon Studio Training Centre?

1346 **MR ROBERTSON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR SANTORO)—

With reference to recently released figures from the Department of Employment, Education and Youth Affairs that show that between June 1996 and June 1997, unemployment in Runcorn increased from 7.3 per cent to 9 per cent, in Stretton from 10.3 per cent to 11.8 per cent, in Sunnybank from 6.5 per cent to 7 per cent and in Calamvale from 8.3 per cent to 9.1 per cent—

- (1) What specific employment creation programs are in place that will alleviate these unacceptably high levels of unemployment in these suburbs?
- (2) When will unemployment in these suburbs begin to decline?
- (3) What is the target unemployment rate set by the Government and when does he expect to achieve this level?
- (4) Why has unemployment in these suburbs continued to increase under this Government?
- (5) What immediate action is he prepared to take to address the escalating unemployment rate in these suburbs?

1347 **MR HAMILL** ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MRS SHELDON)—

With reference to the Statements of Appropriation contained within the various departmental annual reports which generally do not clearly identify the current or capital nature of carry-overs and further, as certain departments are yet to furnish their annual reports for 1996–97, and to the Treasurer's Annual Statement for 1996–97 in which I note that in respect of the Consolidated Fund, \$469.169m was carried over to the 1997–98 Budget—

How much of this carry-over was in respect of capital, and how much was current expenditure?

1348 **MR MULHERIN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR GILMORE)—

With reference to the current coal gasification study being undertaken at Pinjarra Hills near Kenmore—

- (1) What is the total budget for this work, over what timeframe will it run and what amount is the Queensland Government contributing to it?
- (2) Is the remainder coming from the Federal Government, or are there other funding sources?

- (3) How many scientists are employed full-time on the project and at what classification?
- (4) As Italy, Spain and the USA are already well advanced with this technology, why is Queensland undertaking further studies here, i.e., why don't we benefit from this overseas expertise and simply implement the technology?
- (5) With Queensland's and Papua New Guinea's abundant resources of cheap natural gas, why are we spending scarce research funds on coal gasification technology?
- (6) Is there a private gas consortium involved with this coal gasification work at Kenmore; if so, who is it?
- (7) Does he see coal gasification leading to a reduction in the overall volume of coal Queensland burns or exports?

1349 **MR J SULLIVAN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to s 127 of the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 1997* (Power to use force against individuals in critical situations) and his assertion (*Hansard*, page 4427) that "the provisions of this clause take from the Criminal Code what is provided for under the law of the Criminal Code, but they do not extend it" (emphasis added)—

Which provisions of the Criminal Code provide for the range of powers included in s127 of the *Police Powers and Responsibilities Act 1997*?

1350 **MR McELLIGOTT** ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to advertisements headlined "The Big Turnaround" which misrepresents the history of the financial position of the workers' compensation scheme in that Labor revealed a year ago that a top secret State Cabinet submission had admitted the fund could become fully solvent even with the retention of common law claims and without changing the Labor Government's legislation—

- (1) How much of the public's money has been spent on creating this advertisement?
- (2) How much has been spent on placing this advertisement in newspapers and magazines?
- (3) How much more will be spent on placing it?

1351 **MR ELDER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

- (1) What was the source of projections for vehicle movements on which he based his decisions in relation to the Pacific Motorway and the South east Transit Project?
- (2) In particular, does he still accept the projections for future vehicle movements set out at page 12 of Volume 1 of the Impact Management Plan for the Pacific Motorway and page 15 of Volume 2?
- (3) How does he explain the discrepancies between those figures and the figures he used in answering Question on Notice No. 280 in May 1996?
- (4) What was the source of the claims by his project director, Bob Higgins, in his disgraceful television advertising campaign on the Pacific Motorway, that there are currently 85,000 vehicles a day on the road and that will double by 2015 and which point on the highway is he referring to?
- (5) What assumptions has his department made for the percentage of vehicles on the highway south of Brisbane that will proceed on into the Brisbane City area?
- (6) Does he have traffic figures and projections for vehicles (as opposed to person trips) for major points between Brisbane and the Gold Coast that are agreed between the Department of Transport and the Department of Main Roads?
- (7) What are the existing traffic flows and projections for 2005 and 2011 and/or 2015 for major points along the highway north of the Logan River?

1352 **MR HAYWARD** ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to television advertisements featuring the rail link to the Gold Coast, the public hospital system, South Bank, the main road between Brisbane and the Gold Coast and the alleged reduction in Government red tape—

- (1) How much taxpayers' money was spent on having the advertisements made?
- (2) How much has been spent so far on putting them to air?
- (3) How much more has been budgeted on putting them to air?

1353 **MR BRISKEY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to claims by the then head of the CJC Paedophilia Inquiry, Bob Mulholland QC, that CJC investigators were being hampered because former and serving police were not reporting incidences of police cover-ups of the crime—

- (1) Is he aware of any incidence of a former or current police officer not reporting and/or acting upon any paedophilia activity in Queensland?
- (2) Does he agree with Mr Mulholland's assertions on this matter; if not, why not?
- (3) What is he doing to ensure cover-ups of this nature are not occurring in the Queensland Police Service?

1354 **MRS LAVARCH** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

- (1) Have staff at the Maroochydore Mental Health Clinic been directed not to issue pathology request forms for patients needing regular blood tests for monitoring of drug levels and that patients now have to attend local general practitioners to obtain the necessary pathology request forms?
- (2) Has any consideration been given to the impact of this increased cost for chronically ill patients?
- (3) Has this system been introduced Statewide or only on the Sunshine Coast?
- (4) Is he aware that the cost of the GP visit is approximately twice the average cost of the required test?
- (5) Has this change resulted from consultation with Mental Health Services?
- (6) As the nearest public pathology facility to the Sunshine Coast is at Nambour Hospital, is this action intended to encourage patients to attend local general practitioners to obtain the necessary pathology request forms, thereby moving some of the cost on to the federal health system?

1355 **MR DOLLIN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR VEIVERS)—

With reference to my previous Question on Notice of 26 March asking whether he and the Government would honour the commitment made by the previous Labor Government to provide \$1m towards a community recreation centre in Maryborough which would be geared towards youth activities and as proposals for the construction of a Maryborough community youth recreation centre were presented to his department in November 1995, February 1996, September 1996 and I made representation again in October 1996 and February 1997 on the steering committee's behalf and the proposal was supported by the previous Government and a press release from his office on 9 April stated that he would honour commitments made by the previous Government—

Will he now make a commitment as promised to provide \$1m towards a community recreation centre for Maryborough youth?

1356 **MR PEARCE** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to ATSIC Central Queensland Regional Council legal advice that it could no longer fund the Woorabinda Aboriginal Community Police positions—

Given that Woorabinda Aboriginal Council currently funds four of the twelve Aboriginal Community Police positions, what is the Queensland Police Service doing to assist the council in funding the other eight positions so as to maintain law and order under what has proved to be a successful community policing program?

1357 **MR DE LACY** ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MRS SHELDON)—

With reference to the State Government subsidy paid to American producers of the film "The Thin Red Line" shot earlier this year in and around Cairns—

- (1) What was the total value of this subsidy and is this the highest amount paid by the Queensland Government to an overseas film production?
- (2) Why were local production firms bypassed in preference to Sydney and Adelaide crews with little of the \$65m production costs of this film going to the local film industry?
- (3) Does she believe the Pacific Film and Television Commission has a responsibility to promote local film expertise as well as locations, if we are to maximise the benefit from State Government subsidies in developing a viable long term film industry in this State?
- (4) Is she aware that the perception exists in local film industry circles that Village Roadshow exerts an undue influence over decision making by the Pacific Film and Television Commission with southern crews and companies associated with them invariably gaining preference for local work?
- (5) Is she also aware that staff of the Pacific Film and Television Commission refer to local film industry companies and individuals as 'basket weavers'; if so, what does she intend to do to correct this extraordinary bias?

1358 **MR MILLINER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM, SMALL BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY (MR DAVIDSON)—

With reference to his plans to establish rhinoparks at two locations in North Queensland—

- (1) Did he or his department recently present Burke Shire with a grant of the order of \$20,000; if so, what was it for and how many similar grants has Burke Shire received previously from him or his department?
- (2) Was an agreement reached with Burke Shire at that time that they would exempt any rhinopark application in their shire from normal development approval requirements, particularly environmental?
- (3) Has the previous Chief Executive officer of Burke Shire, a Mr Jack Garside, been sacked by Burke Shire and was Mr Garside a strong advocate of the rhinopark proposal for the shire, so much so that he spent time with its principal proponent, a Mr George McFarland, at his Noosa office of Sanctuary Park?
- (4) Is there any possibility that Mr Garside, the former Mayor of Burke Shire, Mr Moloney, and the owner of Beamesbrook Station, Mr John Nelson are actively promoting the rhinopark idea in Burke Shire in private capacities?
- (5) Are both Croydon and Mt Isa Councils also negotiating with Mr McFarland as possible sites for rhinoparks?
- (6) When will the pre-feasibility study report undertaken by James Cook University staff be finalised and will he be tabling it in the Parliament?

1359 **MR SCHWARTEN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—

With reference to the Marcus Shore high dunes—

- (1) Is he aware that in 1993, the Department of Environment advised that the "Conservation significance of this area cannot be overstressed"?

- (2) Does he acknowledge the conservation significance of this last piece of native high dune vegetation in south-east Queensland?
- (3) Does he acknowledge that the conservation significance of this area might justify its inclusion in the Noosa National Park?
- (4) Why has he, for the Department of Lands, lodged an objection to the listing of this area in the Register of the National Estates?
- (5) Does he acknowledge that the local community in this area overwhelmingly wish the Marcus Shore high dunes to be protected from development and why is he ignoring the interests of this community?

1360 **MR NUTTALL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM, SMALL BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY (MR DAVIDSON)—

With reference to the television advertisement featuring what is alleged to be a reduction in red tape—

- (1) How much of taxpayers' money was spent on having the advertisement made?
- (2) How much has been spent so far on putting it to air?
- (3) How much more has been budgeted on putting it to air?

1361 **MS SPENCE** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to his recent press release in which he admitted the Department of Environment had financed and built a large shed on national park land at Orchid Beach on Fraser Island for community use—

- (1) Is this true; if so, at what taxpayer expense was this shed built, what precedent is there for public funds to be spent in this way and from which area of the department budget were these funds drawn?
- (2) If these funds were drawn from the recreation area management fees collected from visitors to the island, how does he justify using these funds to provide local community facilities rather than improving visitor facilities on the island?
- (3) Is it true that aside from the State Emergency Service and the Rural Fire Brigade that organisers of the Toyota Fishing Classic will have use of the shed as a bar and storage area during the week long fishing competition and aircraft using the supposedly soon to be opened airstrip will also have access to the shed for storage purposes?
- (4) Will the Department of Environment be recouping its investment in this shed once the Hervey Bay City Council assumes responsibility for the head lease or when the sublease issues to the Orchid Beach residents' group; if so, when is this anticipated to occur and who actually will be repaying these moneys?
- (5) Were tenders called for construction of the shed; if not, why not, and who was the successful tenderer and what other plans does he have to build community facilities on our national parks at taxpayer expense?

1362 **MR ROBERTS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the Newman Road level-crossing adjacent to the Geebung Railway Station—

- (1) What plans does Queensland Rail have regarding future upgrades to this level-crossing?
- (2) Will he initiate an investigation into improving this railway crossing by (a) examining the options of either constructing an overpass or installing an additional level-crossing connecting Robinson Road East and West and (b) examining the impacts of these proposals on (i) traffic flow in and around the Geebung shopping centre and local residential areas and (ii) local residents and businesses?

1363 **MR D'ARCY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR RACING (MR COOPER)—

With reference to a robbery reported to police, which took place at 119 Aquarius Drive, Kingston on 22 October—

- (1) What was the police response time for investigating this incident?
- (2) What is the average response time for police investigation of crime in Logan City?
- (3) Why was the gentleman from 119 Aquarius Drive told that he would have to wait anywhere from 3 days to 3 weeks for police to investigate the theft of items from his residence?

1364 **MR FOURAS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR GILMORE)—

With reference to the extension of mains power electrification into the Daintree region—

- (1) Why is he intent on wasting taxpayers' money to connect Australia's largest renewable energy community to the grid?
- (2) Is he aware that half of the landowners in the Daintree wish to sell their land back to the Government?
- (3) Is he aware that the cost of buying this land back, and conserving it, is less than or equivalent to the cost of supplying the Daintree with grid power?
- (4) Why does he wish to persist in using fossil fuels when new, more environmentally benign technology is more appropriate and Australia and the world are realising that solar energy is the way of the future?
- (5) Is he aware that the International Union for the Conservation of Nature have passed a motion opposing the proposed main power extension into the Daintree region on the grounds that it is considered to be in breach or contrary to the spirit of the World Heritage Convention affecting the Wet Tropics rainforest?
- (6) What costs have been incurred by (a) the department, (b) SEQEB and (c) any other Government agency in respect to this proposal since the change of Government in February 1996?

1365 **MRS EDMOND** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

With reference to Queensland Health funding for the Young Parents Program under the Innovative Health Services for Homeless Youth Program and given that this program provides a valuable service to young mothers, preventing significant health problems on a shoe-string budget—

- (1) How does he explain his department's refusal to fund an administrative error which was made by his department and identified by his department?
- (2) Why should Young Parents Program have to reduce its service to pay for inefficiency on his part?

1366 **MR WELFORD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT (MR LITTLEPROUD)—

With reference to the Port Hinchinbrook development—

- (1) Who performs the function as independent monitor of the environmental management requirement in the construction of the Port Hinchinbrook development at Oyster Point?
- (2) Has the independent monitor or any other person investigated the recent removal or destruction of approximately 40 mangroves adjacent towards the point; if not, why not?
- (3) What is the outcome of this investigation and who is responsible for the mangrove removal or destruction?
- (4) Is this removal or destruction in accordance with the deed of agreement; if so, pursuant to which clause; if not, what action has been taken to enforce the requirement of the deed of agreement in this respect?

- (5) What are the requirements for the management of acid sulphate soil on the site?
- (6) What action has he taken to investigate the recent ABC News report indicating that the current measures being implemented to deal with acid sulphate contamination of surrounding waters is totally inadequate?
- (7) Does he accept the advice of the Australian National University's Professor White that if the Hinchinbrook development was a mine or chemical factory, the current extent of its impact on neighbouring environment would justify its closure; if not, why not?
- (8) When is he going to take responsibility for the proper enforcement of the deed of agreement and the maintenance of best practice environmental management in relation to this department instead of being totally derelict in his duty?

1367 **MR ARDILL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR QUINN)—

Now that the priorities for building new high schools in the outer southern metropolitan area have been changed with Mt Ommaney and Mt Tamborine having been brought ahead of Jimboomba, can he please advise when areas such as Calamvale, Algester and Parkinson will obtain the planned facilities and when a high school will be built to service the explosive development in Forest Lake and Doolandella?

1368 **MR CAMPBELL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR HOBBS)—

With reference to the announcement of NHT program grants reported in The Courier Mail of 6 November and the grant of over \$100,000 to employ a marketing officer with the Graingrowers' Association—

- (1) How many Landcare Group projects were not funded in this round of grant announcements?
- (2) How many departmental projects directly associated with assessing, monitoring and repairing the environment were not funded?
- (3) What assessment committees assessed the priority for funding of the marketing officer above other projects?
- (4) Did these assessment committees give the marketing officers submission the top priority for funding; if so, why didn't he review their recommendation to ensure projects were assessed for their environmental criteria?

1369 **MRS BIRD** ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BORBIDGE)—

With reference to his recent "deal" with the owners of the failed project at Woodwark Bay—

- (1) Will he acknowledge that the "deal" was not necessary given the sunset clause included in the exchange contract?
- (2) Was the area of land (formerly owned by the Department of Forestry) not returned to Crown Land?
- (3) What land was returned?
- (4) What potential or interest is there for this proposal to proceed in the extended time given by the Government?

1370 **MRS ROSE** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (MR JOHNSON)—

With reference to the proposed Tugun By-pass and Labor's firm commitment to make the project their number one priority under the Commonwealth Government's National Highways Program—

- (1) Where does the Tugun By-pass sit on the Liberal/National Government's list of priorities for funding under this program?

- (2) Will the Liberal/National Party Government commit to funding in the next State Budget for this vital project which is fundamental to addressing traffic problems in the Tugun area?

1371 **MR BREDHAUER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR QUINN)—

With reference to the proposed evaluation of the Leading Schools program—

- (1) What are the terms of reference for the evaluation?
- (2) When were tenders called and when did they close?
- (3) Who was the successful tenderer and what is the cost of the tender?
- (4) How many other complying tenders were received?
- (5) How will this evaluation be undertaken and, in particular, how will improvements in student learning outcomes be evaluated and measured?
- (6) When will the evaluation be completed?
- (7) When will the report on the evaluation be provided?
- (8) Will he give a commitment to publish the report of the evaluation?

1372 **MR PURCELL** ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—

- (1) How many Consumer Affairs prosecutions have been made in Queensland on breaches by licensed motor traders in the years 1994, 1995, 1996 and 1997?
- (2) Will he give in his answer to (1) above regarding the prosecutions of licensed motor traders in Queensland, the area of Queensland that they occurred and the names of those prosecuted?

1373 **MS BLIGH** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE (MR LINGARD)—

With reference to the shared family care pilots being conducted—

- (1) What is the total funding grant to each organisation?
- (2) How much of each grant is recurrent and how much is non-recurrent?
- (3) On what basis were the funding allocations for each organisation calculated?
- (4) What is the total cost per child of children in care by departmental care providers?

1374 **MR PALASZCZUK** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY (MR PERRETT)—

With reference to the Federal Government's recent dropping of the prawn export promotion levy—

- (1) What discussions did he have with the Federal Minister for Resources and Energy and the Federal Member for Petrie, Teresa Gambaro on this matter?
- (2) Did he support or oppose the dropping of the levy during these discussions, and why did he adopt this position?
- (3) Does he believe in the dropping of such a levy at a time Australia's exports of prawns, particularly to Japan and South Korea, are threatened by the current currency crisis spreading through SE Asia?
- (4) Who were the group of southern Queensland prawn producers who lobbied hard for this decision to drop the levy, and did they also approach him?
- (5) Does he realise this decision will effectively dismantle the Australian Prawn Promotion Association (APPA) and the legislation it operates under?
- (6) Is he aware this decision is to be appealed in the Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the Senate?

1375 **MR LUCAS** ASKED THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE (MR BEANLAND)—

With reference to video link technology in the Magistrates Court—

- (1) Which Magistrates Courts in Queensland currently have video link technology installed?
- (2) Which Magistrates Courts are scheduled to have video link technology installed within the next year?
- (3) What criteria and/or measures of court demands/utilisation are used by the department to decide whether a particular court house should have video link technology installed?
- (4) Where does the Wynnum Magistrates Court House fall within such court link priorities and does he agree that a court such as Wynnum which does not have a magistrate stationed there on a daily basis is of a greater priority than those court houses which have a permanent resident magistrate?

1376 **MR T SULLIVAN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MR HORAN)—

- (1) Considering that more than 95 per cent of patients are not on category 1 surgery waiting lists, will he tell the people of Queensland the whole truth about waiting lists and explain why there are longer waiting lists for category 2 and category 3 surgery?
- (2) Specifically, what are the figures for category 2 and category 3 surgery waiting lists at The Prince Charles Hospital for major categories of patients?

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)
- Review of the Criminal Law (Sex Offenders Reporting) Bill

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*)
- Report No. 5 – Report on the Electoral Amendment Bill 1996 (*Tabled 20 March 1997*)
- Issues Paper No. 2 – Privacy in Queensland (*Tabled 4 June 1997*)
- Report No. 6 – Report on a study tour relating to the preservation and enhancement of individuals' rights and freedoms and to privacy (31 March 1997 – 14 April 1997) (*Tabled 1 October 1997*)
- Issues Paper No. 3 – The Preservation and Enhancement of Individuals' Rights and Freedoms: Should Queensland Adopt a Bill of Rights? (*Tabled 1 October 1997*)
- Report No 7: Annual Report 1996–97 (*Tabled 30 October 1997*)

MEMBERS' ETHICS AND PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE—

Members—

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

Current Inquiries—

- Code of Conduct for Members
- Review of Parliamentary Privilege
- Matters raised by Mr Foley on 21 August and 27 August concerning the Attorney-General
- A matter raised by Mr Jon Sullivan on 28 August concerning the Life Education Foundation Qld Inc
- A matter raised by the Honourable the Premier on 18 September concerning an ALP rail journey
- A matter raised by the Member for Fitzroy
- A matter raised by the Member for Ipswich

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*)
- Report on a Matter of Privilege – The Alleged Misleading of the House by the Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for the Arts on 12 November 1996 (*Tabled 29 January 1997*)
- Report on a Matter of Privilege – The Alleged Misleading of the House by a Minister on 14 November 1996 (*Tabled 29 January 1997*)
- 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*)
- Report No. 8 – Annual Report for 1996–97 (*Tabled 22 September 1997*)
- Report No. 9 – Report on a citizen's right of reply numbers 5 and 6 (*Tabled 30 October 1997*)
- Report No. 10 – Report on a matter of privilege : Alleged contempt by the Criminal Justice Commission – Matter referred to the committee on 3 December 1996 (*Tabled 30 October 1997*)

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PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE—**Members—**

Hon. V Lester (Chairman), Messrs Baumann, Carroll, Hollis, Nuttall 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 No. 37 – A Review of the Criminal Justice Commission's Report on Cannabis and the Law in Queensland (*Tabled 14 November 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*)
- Report No. 40 – Annual Report for 1996–97 (*Tabled 28 October 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
- Tendering Processes
- Review of the Strategic Review of the Queensland Audit Office
- Inquiry into the Administration of Grants and Subsidies by Queensland Government Departments

Reports—

- Annual Report 1995–1996 (*Tabled 6 August 1996*)
- Report No. 36 – State Government Credit Cards – Striking the Balance Between Accountability and Efficiency? (*Tabled 5 December 1996*)
- Report No. 37 – Review of the Tabling of Annual Reports 1995–96 (*Tabled 5 December 1996*)
- Report No. 38 – Interim Report – Review of Financial Accountability Requirements for Aboriginal Councils and Island Councils (*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*)
- Report No. 40 – Annual Report 1996–97 (*Tabled 28 August 1997*)
- Report No. 41 – Fire Levies (*Tabled 28 August 1997*)
- Issues Paper No. 2 – Review of Financial Reporting Requirements for Aboriginal Councils and Torres Strait Island Councils — The Way Forward (*Tabled 8 September 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 replacement watchhouse and arrest courts in Brisbane
- Infrastructure projects in the Mt Isa/Cloncurry region

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. 37 – Redevelopment of the Princess Alexandra Hospital – Interim Report (*Tabled 27 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*)
- Annual Report for 1996–97 (*Tabled 24 September 1997*)
- Report No 42 – A re-evaluation of the South East Transit Project (*Tabled 9 October 1997*)
- Report No. 43 – The construction of a joint Emergency Services head office at Kedron Park (*Tabled 28 October 1997*)

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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*)
- Scrutiny of National Schemes of Legislation – Position Paper (*Tabled 29 October 1996*)
- Annual Report for 1995–96 (*Tabled 30 October 1996*)
- Alert Digest No. 11 of 1996 (*Tabled 12 November 1996*)
- Alert Digest No. 11 of 1996 – Supplement dealing with the Carruthers Inquiry Enabling Bill 1996 (*Tabled 13 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*)
- Alert Digest No. 8 of 1997 (*Tabled 19 August 1997*)
- Alert Digest No. 9 of 1997 (*Tabled 26 August 1997*)
- Alert Digest No. 10 of 1997 (*Tabled 7 October 1997*)
- Annual Report for 1996–97 (*Tabled 28 October 1997*)
- Alert Digest No. 11 of 1997 (*Tabled 28 October 1997*)
- Alert Digest No. 12 of 1997 (*Tabled 18 November 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*)
- Annual Report for 1995–96 (*Tabled 4 September 1996*)
- Report No. 18 – Queensland's Road Toll : An Overview (*Tabled 28 January 1997*)
- Report No. 19 – Queensland's Road Toll : Drink Driving (Part 1) (*Tabled 28 January 1997*)
- Report No. 20 – Unsecured Vehicle Loads (*Tabled 16 May 1997*)
- Report No. 21 – Annual Report for 1996–97 (*Tabled 18 November 1997*)

STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—

Members—

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