## **NOTICE PAPER**

for

# THURSDAY, 6 AUGUST 1998

The House meets this day at 9.30am

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## **GOVERNMENT BUSINESS**

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY

1 ADDRESS IN REPLY - Resumption of debate on the motion of Ms J Cunningham—

That the following address be presented to the Governor in reply to the Speech delivered by His Excellency in opening this, the First Session of the Forty–Ninth Parliament of Queensland—

"We, the members of the Legislative Assembly of Queensland, wish to assure your Excellency of our continued respect for the Crown, and loyalty to the system of government in this State, and to tender our thanks for the speech with which you opened the First Session. The various measures to which your Excellency referred and all other matters that may be brought before us will receive our careful consideration, and we shall strive to deal with them so that our endeavours may contribute to the advancement and the prosperity of the people of this State."

(5 August 1998, Mr Mackenroth)

2 NATIVE TITLE (QUEENSLAND) STATE PROVISIONS BILL - Resumption of second reading debate (30 July 1998, Mr Borbidge)

#### NOTICE OF MOTION

#### (Notice given 30 July 1998)

1 MR MACKENROTH to move – That, if a Bill introduced by a Member, who is not a Minister of the Crown, has laid upon the table of the House for a period exceeding ninety days and has not passed all stages, that Bill will be brought on for debate on the following sitting Wednesday evening. The House will continue to debate that Bill on each following sitting Wednesday evening until consideration of that Bill has been finalised. On those Wednesdays the House will break for dinner between 7pm and 8.30pm with the adjournment being moved at 11pm followed by a 30-minute adjournment debate.

## QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The following questions were asked on **Wednesday**, **5 August 1998**. **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**, **4 September 1998**.

475 **MR ROWELL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—

Will he ensure the \$3.1m allocated over the next four years for Northwatch is preserved and increased, if necessary, to detect incursions of exotic plant and animal diseases should they occur?

476 **MR COOPER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—

With reference to the sugar industry review and the new sugar industry bill which organisations within the sugar industry are anticipating to be in place from 1 January 1999—

- (1) Have all the sugar industry working group reports been finalised; if not, which ones remain outstanding, for what reasons do they remain outstanding and when are they likely to be finalised?
- (2) What is the progress of the Sugar Industry Review Implementation Committee and the legislation committee?
- (3) Which issues remain to be resolved prior to the final drafting of the new bill?
- (4) What impediments exist for the introduction of the bill?
- (5) Will he give an indication of when he will introduce the new bill to this Parliament?
- (6) What action will he take in the event of any impediments or unresolved issues to ensure the bill reaches Parliament this year in order to take effect from 1 January 1999?
- (7) Will he provide an assurance the bill will be brought before Parliament this year to meet the 1 January 1999 deadline?
- 477 **MR LESTER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—
  - (1) Will he immediately give a clear go ahead for Millers Timber Yard at Cooktown in view of the fact that all issues relating to environmental and Native Title issues I am lead to believe, have been resolved to the agreement of all concerned?
  - (2) Is he aware that there are six jobs at stake and that the frustration is not justified?
  - (3) On what evidence did he initially ask Millers Timber Yard to stop logging based on the fact that logging could be a threat to endangered species?
  - (4) How does he know this?
- 478 **MR LITTLEPROUD** ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, AND MINISTER FOR STATE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER FOR TRADE (MR ELDER)—

With reference to an article in The Courier Mail of 28 July in which he was quoted as saying the Chevron gas pipeline was the Beattie Government's highest development priority and to support that stance he said: "It's not just a gas pipeline. It is probably the lifeblood for all these communities that have been struggling with very high unemployment rates between the far north and Gladstone"—

- (1) Is he oblivious to the population drift and need for new economic activity in the northern Darling Downs area and does he not realise that area of Queensland probably has suffered more than the coastal strip of North Queensland?
- (2) Will he assure this House that the cost of electricity to be generated by generators using Chevron gas will not be significantly dearer than electricity generated by coal fired power stations in the Surat Basin area?

479 **MRS GAMIN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

What further measures are being taken (or planned) for better noise amelioration measures along the Pacific Highway at Palm Beach between Tallebudgera and Currumbin Creeks?

480 MISS SIMPSON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)

Will she outline every written and verbal commitment that she and her party gave prior to coming to Government, to Unions representing Health Department personnel as well as to non-Government organisations in the health arena?

481 **MR HORAN** ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, AND MINISTER FOR STATE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER FOR TRADE (MR ELDER)—

With reference to his recent media comments that the proposed upgrades of Callide and Tarong Power Stations threaten the viability of the Chevron gas pipeline project—

How do the upgrades of Callide and Tarong Power Stations, which will create 1,400 jobs for people living on the Northern Downs and South Burnett, threaten a gas pipeline from Papua New Guinea?

482 **MR DAVIDSON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES (MR BARTON)—

What is the current level at 1 June at Cooroy, Eumundi, Noosa and Coolum Police Stations of (a) authorised strength and ranks including civilians, (b) current vacancies, (c) total numbers of vehicles and (d) monthly overtime available and used?

483 **MR LAMING** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—

What is the (a) number of boarding house units proposed for Townsville and Cairns, (b) expected timing of construction and (c) anticipated costs of both programs?

484 **MR MITCHELL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

With reference to the Queensland Construction Industry Skills Centre-

- (1) Will he table the report by independent management consultants, Coopers and Lybrand, in relation to the Queensland Construction Industry Skills Centre at Salisbury?
- (2) Will he implement the recommendations of these independent and highly reputable management consultants?
- (3) In addition to implementing the recommendations will he commission an independent skills audit of training currently being provided through the centre?
- 485 **MR SANTORO** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—
  - (1) What are the financial arrangements under which his department has engaged Kim Bannikoff as an "independent" consultant including total cost of the consultancy, the tender process engaged in and the details of other unsuccessful tenderers?
  - (2) Does the tendering process used comply fully with the State Purchasing Policy?
  - (3) What formal financial management qualifications does the consultant have (eg, in accounting, financial auditing, commerce or economics)?
  - (4) What is Mr Bannikoff's former work history in the department (eg, title of position, classification level, dates)?
- 486 **MR HEGARTY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

With reference to the inquiry into the financial viability of the TAFE system that he recently announced to the Queensland Teachers Union—

- (1) What time frame has been established for the inquiry and for independent consultant Kim Bannikoff?
- (2) What are the terms of reference for Mr Bannikoff's inquiry?
- 487 MR CONNOR ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES (MS ROSE)—
  - (1) What is the current level (at 1 June) at Robina and Helensvale Ambulance/Fire Stations of (a) authorised strength and ranks and (b) current vacancies?
  - (2) What is the total number of vehicles and type allocated at the stations?
  - (3) What are the response times to the areas within their jurisdiction?
- 488 **MR MICKEL** ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER, AND MINISTER FOR STATE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER FOR TRADE (MR ELDER)—
  - (1) What was the total set-up costs of the Los Angeles trade office?
  - (2) How many full-time and part-time staff are attached to the office?
  - (3) What is the value of trade to Queensland in each year since the office re-opened?
  - (4) How does this amount compare with other overseas trade offices?
- 489 **MRS E CUNNINGHAM** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES (MS ROSE)—

With reference to free ambulance services for pensioner's and senior's card holders—

What coverage will be available for eligible persons when they travel interstate and how will people be assured of this continued, cross border coverage?

490 MR QUINN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR WELLS)—

With reference to the staffing levels in his portfolio-

- (1) At 1 July 1998 (a) what was the total number of teachers employed by Education Queensland, (b) how many were full-time teachers, (c) how many were part-time teachers, (d) how many were contract teachers, (e) how many were employed in each sub-program, by sub-program and (f) how many of these were on secondment to organisations (i) within the education portfolio and (ii) outside the portfolio?
- (2) At 1 August 1998 (a) what was the total number of teachers employed by Education Queensland, (b) how many were full-time teachers, (c) how many were part-time teachers (d) how many were contract teachers, (e) how many were employed in each sub-program, by sub-program and (f) how many of these were on secondment to organisations (i) within the education portfolio and (ii) outside the portfolio?
- 491 **MR GRICE** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES (MR BARTON)—

Will he detail all drug related arrests and charges laid against prisoners since he came to office?

- 492 **MR SULLIVAN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—
  - (1) What is the current status of the land known as 818 Rode Road, Stafford Heights?
  - (2) What options for the land are favoured by the Department of Public Works and Housing and when might a decision be made about the development of this site?
- 493 MR GOSS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR WELLS)—

With reference to Education Queensland's payroll bill-

(1) At 1 July 1998 (a) what was the total amount paid to teachers employed by Education Queensland, (b) what was the amount paid to full-time teachers, (c) what was the amount paid to part-time teachers, (d) what was the amount paid to contract teachers, (e) what was the payroll bill for teachers in each sub-program, by sub-program and (f) what was the payroll bill for teachers on secondment to organisations (i) within the education portfolio and (ii) outside the portfolio?

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- 494 **MR JOHNSON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

With reference to the Coalition commitment on gaining Government on 26 February 1996, to honour all the contracts put in place by the Labor Government—

Will he give the same commitment that contracts currently in place will be honoured by his Government and will he also ensure that the needs of Local Government will continue to be addressed in the area of road funding?

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## **R K HOLLIS**

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