

# NOTICE PAPER

for

## FRIDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER 1998

*The House meets this day at 9.30am*

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## GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1 **APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL** and **APPROPRIATION BILL**— Resumption of second reading debate (*17 September 1998, Mr Mackenroth*)
- 2 **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."  
(*6 August 1998, Mr Pearce*)
- 3 **TRANS-TASMAN MUTUAL RECOGNITION (QUEENSLAND) BILL** — Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Borbidge*)
- 4 **STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS AMENDMENT BILL** — Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Borbidge*)
- 5 **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY (PORTABLE LONG SERVICE LEAVE) AMENDMENT BILL** — Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Santoro*)
- 6 **ATTORNEY-GENERAL BILL** — Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Springborg*)
- 7 **POLICE POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AMENDMENT BILL** — Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Grice*)
- 8 **JUVENILE JUSTICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** — Resumption of second reading debate (*6 August 1998, Mr Beanland*)
- 9 **ADOPTION OF CHILDREN (HAGUE CONVENTION ON INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION) AMENDMENT BILL** — Resumption of second reading debate (*27 August 1998, Mr Beanland*)
- 10 **BILLS OF SALE AND OTHER SECURITIES AMENDMENT BILL** — Resumption of second reading debate (*27 August 1998, Mr Davidson*)

## GENERAL BUSINESS

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1 **CITIZENS' INITIATED REFERENDUM (CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT) BILL –**  
Resumption of second reading debate (25 August 1998, Mr Beattie)
- 2 **CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND PENALTIES AND SENTENCES AMENDMENT**  
**BILL –** Resumption of second reading debate (27 August 1998, Mr Foley)

## QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

*The following questions were asked on Thursday, 17 September 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 Monday, 19 October 1998.***

- 625 **MR BEANLAND** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE AND MINISTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES (MS BLIGH)—

With reference to organisations with which her department has contact—

- (1) What are the names and addresses of all organisations her department consults, or intends to consult, in the formulation of policy and legislation?
- (2) What are the names and addresses of all organisations, relating to her portfolio, which she or members of her staff, have met or dealt with at a personal level, since the minority Beattie Labor Government came to office?

- 626 **MR LITTLEPROUD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

With reference to the proposed monitoring and remediation of the Gurulmundi Secure Landfill in the electorate of Western Downs—

- (1) Has the Brisbane City Council been paid out an agreed \$2.9m now that the landfill is no longer receiving treated toxic waste from Willawong?
- (2) Will the proposed expansion to the evaporation ponds at the landfill be built?
- (3) Is it his intention to pump water from the landfill pit and spread it across the landfill site by way of an irrigation system?
- (4) Is it his intention to have his department accept total responsibility for the site, excluding the Murilla Shire Council?
- (5) Is it his intention to take away the current legal indemnity offered to the Murilla Shire Council, leaving that council liable to legal action in the future in matters related to this landfill?
- (6) Given the Coalition had allocated \$4.9m for monitoring and remediation, how can he justify this being reduced to \$3.6m in his Budget?

- 627 **MR RAPPOLT** ASKED THE TREASURER (MR HAMILL)—

With reference to QNI which is a Queensland icon with its Yabulu Nickel and cobalt refinery in Townsville employing over 1,000 workers and injecting huge amounts annually into the North Queensland economy—

- (1) Is he aware that Billiton Jersey Limited are presently conducting a hostile raid on QNI Limited?

- (2) Will the Queensland Government through the Queensland Investment Corporation, who at 9 September already owns 11,073,156 shares (1.3 per cent of shares in QNI) be prepared to buy up to 10 per cent to stave off the hostile takeover by a multinational of another top Australian resource company and save these Queenslanders, who less than a year ago purchased shares for between \$2.00 and \$2.30 and if this Government fails to do this, many Queenslanders will have their shares compulsorily taken at the present offer of 90 cents or a little more, showing a substantial loss?

628 **MR LESTER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

- (1) Is he aware that there has been in this years recently announced State Budget, not one cent allocated to the Paradise Dam Project in the Bundaberg area?
- (2) In view of the fact that not only has the Paradise Dam been put back, but also no funding has been allocated to increase capacity of the Walla, Bucca and Jones Weirs to which the previous Government had committed to, will he seek to urgently have these important employment generating projects reinstated immediately?

629 **MR CONNOR** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

With reference to Nerang Broadbeach Road—

- (1) What consultation has occurred in relation to increased speed limits?
- (2) What criteria was considered in the decision?
- (3) What is the standard process for determinations of this type?
- (4) Are ministerial directions considered or are they simply ignored if considered inappropriate?
- (5) Is he going to ensure that ministerial directions are considered in the future?

630 **MR SPRINGBORG** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)

With reference to the outpatients service which operates from Queensland public hospitals—

- (1) Will outpatients services continue to cater for the health requirements of existing patients?
- (2) Does Queensland Health plan to encourage current outpatients to utilise the services of private practitioners?
- (3) Will Queensland Health continue to service the needs of new patients wishing to use outpatients services?
- (4) Does this policy apply statewide?

631 **MR COOPER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM, SPORT AND RACING (MR GIBBS)—

With reference to the importance of sporting and recreational facilities in general, and, in particular, country towns, and with particular reference to Lowood and its indoor sports centre and with the recognition of the need for Government to assist the community in financing these facilities—

What are all avenues of finance and other assistance available to assist the community of Lowood and its indoor sports centre?

632 **MR HEGARTY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

With reference to the previous Coalition Government's May Budget and in policy area -07 transport:- dredging and other infrastructure (a) an amount of \$0.6m was proposed for

dredging the channel referred to as the Karragarra W's and (b) a further amount of \$0.105m was proposed to demolish the (Dalpurast) Jetty on Macleay Island—

- (1) Are both of these projects proceeding in 1998–99; if not, why not; and does he realise the safety implications for island residents and others using the channel for daily access to and from the mainland?
- (2) Does he realise the jetty has been declared unsafe but is still being used?

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

With reference to his announcement on 15 September to establish an \$800,000 Rural Science Organisation (RSO) within the department headed by an internationally renowned chief scientist—

- (1) Where would this RSO be located?
- (2) Will the chief scientist come from any particular discipline; if so, which one?
- (3) Why is it necessary to allocate this position – are there inadequacies within the current departmental structure?
- (4) What formed the basis for this initiative, is it simply a perception or is there a specific need?
- (5) Did he consult with the department prior to his decision to establish the RSO and appoint a chief scientist; if so, what was the response from the department?
- (6) Did he consult with the institute chairmen or boards prior to his decision to establish the RSO and appoint a chief scientist; if so, what was the response from the institute chairmen and boards?

634 **MR LAMING** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

What arrangements have been made to ensure that all trains between Nambour and Brisbane have on-board toilets for the comfort of passengers?

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

With reference to Section (5) of his answer to Question on Notice No. 458—

Has his Director-General advised him that there could be a public perception of conflict of interest arising from his previous employment by the Construction Training Skills Centre at Salisbury and the current move to provide millions of dollars of training funds from the Building Workers' Portable Long Service Leave Fund to the Construction Training Skills Centre rather than having these public moneys channelled to the public provider, TAFE Queensland?

636 **MRS SHELDON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES (MR BARTON)—

With reference to continuing community consternation as to the future of law and order in the fastest growing railway town of Landsborough and to his totally inconclusive answer of 3 September regarding the continuation and manning of the Landsborough Police Station—

- (1) How many uniformed police officers will be stationed at Landsborough Police Station after the completion of the Beerwah Police Station?
- (2) What are the exact hours that the police station will be opened each day?
- (3) Will the station still have its district responsibility?

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

- (1) Is he aware that there are approximately 220 unprotected rail level crossings between Rockhampton and Cairns?
- (2) As the proposed tilt train will need to travel at speeds of up to 160kph, does he propose to upgrade safety at these crossings; if so, where is the budget for these upgrades, estimated at \$150,000 each, given that there is no provision made in the tilt train project for these costs and that no upgrade has been proposed in relation to freight traffic?

638 **MR MALONE** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES (MRS ROSE)—

Will she indicate numbers and types of appliances in both the Queensland Fire and Rescue Authority and the Queensland Ambulance Service in the following categories (a) under 12 months, (b) between 1 and 3 years, (c) between 3 and 5 years, (d) between 5 and 10 years, (e) between 10 and 15 years and (f) over 15 years?

## TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

Dr Clark, Mr Mickel, Ms Nelson–Carr and Mr Reeves

## ESTIMATES COMMITTEES

### Estimates Committee A—

#### **Members—**

Mr Mickel (Chairman), Hon. R Borbidge, Ms Boyle, Mrs J Cunningham, Mr Horan and Dr Watson

#### **Organisational Units—**

- Office of the Governor
- Legislative Assembly
- Queensland Audit Office
- Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations
- Criminal Justice Commission
- Department of the Premier and Cabinet
- Department of State Development
- Treasury Department
- Any other organisational units within the portfolios of the Premier, the Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development and Minister for Trade and the Treasurer

#### **Hearing Date—**

Tuesday, 29 September 1998

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE B—

#### **Members—**

Mr Purcell (Chairman), Hon. D Fouras, Messrs Grice, Malone, Musgrove, and Springborg

#### **Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Attorney–General and Minister for Justice and Minister for the Arts
- Minister for Police and Corrective Services
- Minister for Emergency Services

#### **Hearing Date—**

Wednesday, 30 September 1998

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE C—

#### **Members—**

Mr Fenlon (Chairman), Ms Attwood, Mrs E Cunningham, Messrs Johnson, Laming and Reeves

#### **Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Minister for Transport and Minister for Main Roads
- Minister for Public Works and Minister for Housing

#### **Hearing Date—**

Thursday, 1 October 1998

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE D—

#### **Members—**

Mr Sullivan (Chairman), Messrs Beanland, Cooper and Davidson, Ms Nelson–Carr and Mr Wellington

#### **Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Minister for Primary Industries
- Minister for Families, Youth and Community Care and Minister for Disability Services
- Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Minister for Women's Policy and Minister for Fair Trading

#### **Hearing Date—**

Friday 2, October 1998

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**ESTIMATES COMMITTEES (CONTD.)**

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE E—**

**Members—**

Mr Mulherin (Chairman), Hon. K Hayward, Messrs Mitchell, Pearce and Slack and Miss Simpson

**Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Minister for Mines and Energy and Minister Assisting the Deputy Premier on Regional Development
- Minister for Health

**Hearing Date—**

Tuesday, 6 October 1998

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE F—**

**Members—**

Mr Roberts (Chairman), Messrs Kingston, Quinn, and Santoro, Ms Struthers and Mr Wilson

**Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Minister for Employment, Training and Industrial Relations
- Minister for Education

**Hearing Date—**

Wednesday, 7 October 1998

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE G—**

**Members—**

Mr Lucas (Chairman), Dr Clark, Messrs Hobbs and Healy, Mrs Lavarch and Hon. V Lester

**Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Minister for Communication and Information and Minister for Local Government, Planning, Regional and Rural Communities
- Minister for Tourism, Sport and Racing
- Minister for Environment and Heritage and Minister for Natural Resources

**Hearing Date—**

Thursday, 8 October 1998



## PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

### LEGAL, CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE—

#### **Members—**

Mr Fenlon (Chairman), Mr Beanland, Ms Boyle, Mrs Gamin, Messrs Rappolt and Wilson

#### **Current Inquiries—**

- The consolidation of the Queensland Constitution
- A review of the report on the strategic review of the Queensland Ombudsman
- The preservation and enhancement of individuals' rights and freedoms

#### **Report—**

- Annual Report for 1997–98 (*Tabled 26 August 1998*)

### MEMBERS' ETHICS AND PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE—

#### **Members—**

Mr Mickel (Chairman), Ms Attwood, Messrs Nelson and Reeves, Mrs Sheldon and Mr Springborg

#### **Current Inquiries—**

- Matter of privilege raised by the Member for Merrimac
- Parliamentary privilege in Queensland
- Matter of privilege raised by the Leader of the House

### PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE—

#### **Members—**

Mr Lucas (Chairman), Dr Clark, Mr Hegarty, Hon. V Lester, Mr Paff and Ms Struthers

### PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE—

#### **Members—**

Hon. K Hayward (Chairman), Messrs Connor, Grice, Mulherin, Pearce and Slack

#### **Current Inquiries—**

- Inquiry into the Administration of Grants and Subsidies by Queensland Government Departments
- Review of the Second Report of the Auditor-General on Audits Performed for 1996–1997 (including Universities and Grammar Schools) and the Report of the Auditor-General on Audits of Aboriginal Councils and Island Councils Performed for 1996–1997
- Year 2000 Compliance in the Queensland Public Sector

#### **Report—**

- Report No. 45 – Annual Report 1997–98 (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)

### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE—

#### **Members—**

Mr Roberts (Chairman), Messrs Knuth, Laming, Musgrove, Purcell and Rowell

#### **Current Inquiries—**

- Construction of a hot fire training facility
- Townsville Hospital redevelopment
- Correctional centres in Townsville
- Heritage Train project
- Construction of a new school and secondary department at Tin Can Bay
- Redevelopment of the Maryborough Hospital
- Construction of 30 Citytrain carriages

#### **Report—**

- Report No. 48 – A review of the construction of the Queensland Cultural Centre Stage V (*Tabled 16 September 1998*)

### SCRUTINY OF LEGISLATION COMMITTEE—

#### **Members—**

Mrs Lavarch (Chairman), Mrs E Cunningham, Mr Elliott, Hon. D Fouras, Dr Kingston and Mr Wellington

#### **Reports—**

- Alert Digest No. 6 of 1998 (*Tabled 25 August 1998*)
- Alert Digest No. 7 of 1998 (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)

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**PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES (CONTD.)**

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY ENTITLEMENTS—**

**Members—**

Hon. T Mackenroth (Chairman), Mr Speaker, Hon. P Beattie, Mr Borbidge, Mrs E Cunningham, Hon. J Elder, Mr Feldman, Dr Watson and Mr Wellington

**Current Inquiry—**

- Members' entitlements

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON TRAVELSAFE—**

**Members—**

Ms J Cunningham (Chairman), Messrs Healy and Hobbs, Ms Nelson-Carr, Messrs Stephan and Sullivan

**Reports—**

- Report No. 26 – Annual Report 1997–1998 (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)
- Issues paper No. 2 – The Road safety Implications of Unlicensed Driving and the Driving of Unregistered Vehicles in Queensland (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)

**STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE—**

**Members—**

Mr Speaker (*ex officio* Chairman), Messrs Borbidge, D'Arcy and Feldman, Hon. T Mackenroth and Dr Watson

**R K HOLLIS**  
Speaker

**R D DOYLE**  
The Clerk of the Parliament