

NOTICE PAPER

for

THURSDAY, 22 OCTOBER 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** – Further consideration of the Bills in Committee of the Whole House (Report of Estimates Committee D) (21 October 1998)
- 2 **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY (PORTABLE LONG SERVICE LEAVE) AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (20 October 1998, Mr Beanland)
- 3 **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)
- 4 **EMERGENCY SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (18 September 1998, Mr Malone)
- 5 **TRANS-TASMAN MUTUAL RECOGNITION (QUEENSLAND) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (6 August 1998, Mr Borbidge)
- 6 **STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (6 August 1998, Mr Borbidge)
- 7 **ATTORNEY-GENERAL BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (6 August 1998, Mr Springborg)
- 8 **POLICE POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (6 August 1998, Mr Grice)
- 9 **JUVENILE JUSTICE LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (6 August 1998, Mr Beanland)
- 10 **ADOPTION OF CHILDREN (HAGUE CONVENTION ON INTERCOUNTRY ADOPTION) AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (27 August 1998, Mr Beanland)
- 11 **BILLS OF SALE AND OTHER SECURITIES AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (27 August 1998, Mr Davidson)
- 12 **HEALTH PRACTITIONERS (SPECIAL EVENTS EXEMPTION) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (18 September 1998, Miss Simpson)
- 13 **INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (20 October 1998, Mr Beanland)

- 14 **HEALTH AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (20 October 1998, Miss Simpson)
- *15 **NATIVE TITLE (QUEENSLAND) STATE PROVISIONS AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2)** – Resumption of second reading debate (21 October 1998, Mr Borbidge)

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)

NOTICE OF MOTION – DISALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

(Notice given 21 October 1998)

- *1 **MR BEANLAND** to move – That the Commissions of Inquiry (Forde Inquiry – Evidence) Regulation 1998 (Subordinate Legislation No. 278 of 1998) tabled in the Parliament on 20 October 1998 be disallowed.

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The following questions were asked on Wednesday, 21 October 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, 20 November 1998.

- 682 **MR LITTLEPROUD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

With reference to the Goss Government in 1990 and the Beattie Government in 1998 which have both taken away proposed funding for a TAFE facility in Dalby which has been shown by the Long Report to have a huge unmet demand for TAFE courses and the current courses are delivered out of entirely inadequate accommodation—

- (1) Why did the department ignore the finding of the Long Report in regard to Dalby's need?
- (2) Does he now admit he has had access either to this report or advice based on the report once he became the responsible Minister?
- (3) Does he understand Dalby's anger at its loss of a dedicated TAFE building when it has seen TAFE in Toowoomba double its capacity since 1990?
- (4) Will he guarantee this building will become a reality in the 1999–2000 Budget, if not before, to signify his acknowledgment of their need?

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

With reference to wrecked vehicles which are sold at auction for spare parts and are often acquired by dishonest persons, who transfer compliance and identification plates onto stolen vehicles and police and the motor industry have identified wrecked vehicles as an integral part of a multi-million stolen car racket and as insurance companies and traders in

New South Wales are now required to provide Roads and Traffic Authorities with details of all wrecked vehicles for inclusion in a "Written-off Vehicles Register" (which effectively cancels the identification plates)—

Has a similar system been introduced in Queensland; if not, will it be introduced to protect buyers of used vehicles from purchasing stolen vehicles?

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

With reference to public housing—

- (1) At 30 September, how many public housing rental accounts were in arrears in total and percentage terms of the total number of rental accounts by area office?
- (2) How many of these accounts were in arrears for (a) less than 4 weeks, (b) 4 to less than 8 weeks, (c) 8 to less than 12 weeks and (d) 12 weeks and greater in total and by area office and what is the total monetary value of each of the above categories?
- (3) At 30 September, how many and what percentage of public households are paying full market rent?
- (4) How many applicants were allocated housing between 1 September 1997 and 31 August in total and by area office?
- (5) What was the vacant turnaround time for maintenance and for allocations of public housing premises during the month of August?

685 **DR WATSON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION AND MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, PLANNING, REGIONAL AND RURAL COMMUNITIES (MR MACKENROTH)—

Will he list consultancies, by department and business group/unit, engaged since 26 June with (a) the name of the principle consultant/s and the company trading name, (b) the anticipated/actual cost of each consultancy, (c) the purpose of each consultancy, (d) the anticipated reporting/completion date of each consultancy, (e) whether the consultancy has/will be provided/providing a written report and (f) whether the consultancy was publicly tendered?

686 **MR DALGLEISH** ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BEATTIE)—

Does he condone the blatantly antagonistic attitude of the Member for Springwood, in his assertions on 20 October at 12.18 pm as his attitude was specifically designed to draw a response and was negative and hardly consistent with the Premiers push to clean up Parliament and his jealous outbursts and continuous tirades on the age and abilities of everyone but himself clearly shows an arrogant attitude towards this Parliament?

687 **MR GOSS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE AND MINISTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES (MS BLIGH)—

With reference to the Voluntary Early Retirement's offered by her department since the minority Beattie Labor Government came to office—

- (1) How many VER's were offered?
- (2) How many VER's were accepted?
- (3) Who were offered VER's?
- (4) Who accepted a VER?
- (5) What was the public service classification of each officer (a) offered a VER and (b) who accepted a VER?
- (6) What amount of money was paid to each recipient?
- (7) What is the reason the VER was offered?

688 **MR DAVIDSON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—

With reference to the Sales and Distribution Services Business Unit within the Public Works portfolio—

- (1) What was the total revenue derived from sales (accrual based) in September?
- (2) What was the total expenditure (accrual based) in September?
- (3) What was the value of the inventory on hand at 31 September?
- (4) What was the nett profit/loss achieved by SDS for September?
- (5) What was the total expenditure (accrual based) in August?
- (6) What was the total expenditure (accrual based) in July?

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

With reference to the recent outbreak (mid September) of Newcastle disease on two New South Wales poultry farms—

- (1) To what countries are Queensland poultry products exported?
- (2) To what countries are Australian poultry products exported?
- (3) What action is his department taking to ensure continued market access for Queensland poultry products into each of these markets?
- (4) What action is the Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service taking to ensure continued market access for Queensland and Australian poultry products to these markets?
- (5) What other agencies are involved in safeguarding this market access and what actions are these agencies taking?
- (6) Is he satisfied these actions are sufficient; if not, what further action will he be taking to ensure they are?

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

With reference to the establishment of a State Development Centre in Toowoomba—

- (1) What is the timeframe for the establishment of the Toowoomba centre?
- (2) Where will the centre be located?
- (3) How many staff will be based at the centre?
- (4) What will be its function?

691 **MR ROWELL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

With reference to Crystal Creek at the southern end of the Hinchinbrook Electorate which experienced severe erosion on its southern bank from the high rainfall and flooding in January and as a water pipeline to Townsville was threatened by a substantial wash-out and a major reconstruction program of the southern bank in the national park was carried out from February to July when enormous amounts of cement were grouted from the stony creek bed 10 metres up the stone pitched face for a distance of 500 metres, then a rock basket finish of the embankment occurred and less than a two metre flood has caused major havoc with the incompetent design and a major flood will be devastating and as this extraordinary expenditure could have been better spent if a natural channel was re-opened to allow the water to take a more direct route—

- (1) Who carried out the design work for the reconstruction of the bank at Crystal Creek and what departments were involved?

- (2) How much did the work on the southern embankment cost and what component was Disaster Relief Funding?
- (3) How was the project funded other than Natural Disaster Relief Funding?
- (4) What guarantees were given by the designer and the contractor that the work would stand up to severe flooding, let alone moderate flooding?
- (5) Now, with the failure of this expensive reconstructed embankment, what do the relative departments intend to do?
- (6) Do the departments intend to throw money at the badly eroding bend without redirecting the water through its former channel?
- (7) Is this yet another example of not cleaning out build-up of material that causes creeks in national parks to change their main direction?
- (8) As no doubt it will require a commitment to rectify the problem otherwise the water pipeline will be at risk of being undermined, what is the estimated cost of additional work required to stabilise the problem and who will pay for this work?
- (9) Due to the unstable nature of the weather in northern Queensland, when will the necessary work be carried out?
- (10) As a similar situation prevails on the public road which runs along the banks of Crystal Creek downstream, will the island that has developed a bend in the creek have the channel re-routed to avoid the loss of farmland and the road?
- (11) What cost has been incurred to date and what is the estimated cost to rectify the problem in this section of the creek?
- (12) Who has borne the cost to date and where will the funding come from to stabilise this area?

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

With reference to the Nerang-Broadbeach Road—

- (1) At what time did the Main Roads Department originally decide that Neilsons Road was not feasible to be used as a main road?
- (2) At what time did the Main Roads Department change its mind and decide that it could be used as a main road?
- (3) On what basis did the Main Roads Department change its mind and is the decision documented?
- (4) How much did the CAL's consultancy cost?

693 **MR SPRINGBORG** ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BEATTIE)—

Subsequent to his answer to Question On Notice No 539, will he now provide the following additional information (a) the actual number of trainees in each State whose training is within the User-Choice category as of 1 January, (b) the actual number of trainees in each State whose training is not within the User-Choice category as of 1 January, (c) the actual number of apprentices in each State whose training is within the User-Choice category as of 1 January and (d) the actual number of apprentices in each State whose training is not within the User-Choice category as of 1 January?

694 **MR STEPHAN** ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BEATTIE)—

- (1) For the years since 1993–94, will he provide the necessary comparative figures for each State and Territory, indicating (a) total expenditure on all forms of competitive funding (including VET in secondary schools, particularly in New South Wales where exceptionally large numbers of students are involved), (b) total expenditure on VET and (c) (a) as a percentage of (b) to justify his claim that the process in Queensland is occurring "3 – 4 times the speed of any other State or Territory?
- (2) Will he indicate the official source of all statistics quoted in his response?

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

Will it be necessary for any track infrastructure including bridges, tunnels, cuttings and curves to be upgraded to permit the proposed tilt train to Cairns to actually tilt; if so, what is the budget and timetable for these upgrades?

- 696 **MR LINGARD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

Will he provide specific details of the additional services to be provided by his department's Corporate Services to (a) TAFE Queensland and (b) training services together with the cost of each in order to justify the virtual doubling of the financial contribution of TAFE and training services to Corporate Services?

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

Has he or the department appointed Professor Vivani to undertake a consultancy or project; if so, will he provide the terms of reference given to Professor Vivani, a breakdown of the costs of the exercise and an assurance that all requirements of the State Purchasing Policy have been met?

- 698 **MR HOBBS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER POLICY AND MINISTER FOR WOMEN'S POLICY AND MINISTER FOR FAIR TRADING (MS SPENCE)—

With reference to the fact that presently Torres Strait Island Councils are able to access financial assistance under the Financial Accountability Improvement Program to improve the financial management of councils and that councils are only provided with financial assistance under the program when the council elects to use staff employed by the Island Coordinating Council (ICC) and that councils that elect to employ their own financial staff are not provided with financial assistance—

What initiatives will be undertaken to ensure that councils who help themselves are not financially penalised when other councils are encouraged to continue as non-performers?

- 699 **MR BAUMANN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

With reference to the increase of six personnel in the Executive Support Unit of his department to support the Director-General and Deputy Director-General—

What are the strategic and cross-divisional support activities envisaged to be carried out by these additional staff?

- 700 **MR HEGARTY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

With reference to the increase in the cost of his department's Executive Support Unit from 1997–98 actual \$1.106m to the estimate for 1998–99 of \$2.712m—

How much of this increase is being directed to the payment of salaries and what are the public service classifications of the 21 people to be employed within the Executive Support Unit?

- 701 **MR ELLIOTT** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADDY)—

Why has he diverted more than \$4m from the "Call Centre" project at Moreton Institute to fund the burgeoning bureaucracy "Corporate Services" when the "Call Centre" project would create "Jobs, Jobs, Jobs" and put Queensland at the forefront of this area of information technology?

702 **MR VEIVERS** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS (MR BRADY)—

Why is he persistently claiming credit for the 10 per cent policy (ie ensuring that apprentices provide 10 per cent of work time on major Government-sponsored employment projects) when his departmental staff, in February, sent out 500 form letters to contractors advising them of compliance requirements under the policy?

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

With reference to the Regional Forestry Agreement, will he provide details of all grazing leases on State forest land within the RFA region which are scheduled for renewal in 1998–99 and the date at which the existing leases are scheduled to come-up for renewal as well as the number of these leases which have already been renewed and the terms and length of the renewals?

704 **MISS SIMPSON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—

- (1) Will she immediately publicly release advice she received about any presence of giardia or cryptosporidium in Queensland's water supply?
- (2) What testing is being done for these organisms?
- (3) Has there been any additional testing in this State requested by authorities since the outbreak of disease in Sydney's water supply and what is Queensland Health's involvement in regard to testing in this State?
- (4) Is she notified of all incidents of these dangerous organisms in Queensland's water supply?

705 **MRS E CUNNINGHAM** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—

With reference to discussions we have held regarding the specific allocation of six Queensland Housing Commission houses to Gladstone Area Group Apprentices' Scheme and to his support for this approach—

When will this allocation be made?

706 **MRS PRATT** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES (MR BARTON)—

What is the number of legal actions for negligence which have been filed against the Corrective Services Department or any of its officers and what is the dollar value of such actions over the past three years?

707 **MR QUINN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR WELLS)—

With reference to professional development—

- (1) What is the total budget allocation for 1998–99?
- (2) How many school and departmental employees are expected to benefit?
- (3) What are their public service classifications (eg. Band 5 Principal, AO4 Public Servant etc.)?
- (4) What is the description and cost of each professional development program planned to date?
- (5) How much was spent in 1997–98?
- (6) How many school and departmental employees benefited?
- (7) What were their public service classifications?
- (8) What was the description and cost of each professional development program conducted?

708 MR FELDMAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—

- (1) When she signed the letter on 13 August, informing the Chairman of the Raw Goat Milk Producers' Association that, (I quote) "I am not convinced that this belief (in raw goat milk) is justified or that it warrants consideration to the extent whereby I am required to continue the systems of exemption", was she aware that the Health Department had no papers from the review conducted in November/December 1996; if not, when did she find out?
- (2) For what reason and on what evidence did she refuse to issue the exemption from pasteurisation beyond 31 December, for goat milk?
- (3) What does she propose that the people who cannot tolerate pasteurised milk, for whatever reason, or who prefer unpasteurised goat milk for health reasons, consume after 31 December?
- (4) Will she provide from the Health Department records, the number of cases of the following infections that have occurred in Queensland in the last 10 years, (and the number that can be attributed directly to the consumption of unpasteurised goat milk produced from monitored dairies) (a) typhoid, (b) hepatitis A, (c) brucellosis, (d) diphtheria, (e) dysentery and (f) Q fever in Queensland?

709 MR GRICE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES (MR BARTON)—

Will he provide the capital works program for 1998–99 with scheduled commencements and completion dates for the entire Departments of Police and Corrective Services including total cost of projects and expected outlays?

710 MR SEENEY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

With reference to the Nathan Gorge geotechnical exploratory work—

- (1) How many people were employed as "cultural heritage monitors" on this job site?
- (2) What was the total cost of these monitors to the project?
- (3) At what rate did these monitors get paid?
- (4) What qualifications did these monitors need to have to justify this rate of pay?
- (5) Are these monitors to be employed for this construction of Nathan Gorge dam?
- (6) How many "cultural heritage monitors" will be on the construction site during construction?
- (7) Who will meet this cost?

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

Reports—

- Report No. 1 October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 1998*)
- Report No. 2 October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 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

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 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

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 19 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

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 19 October 1998*)

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

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 20 October 1998*)

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ESTIMATES COMMITTEES (CONTD.)**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

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 20 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

Report—

- Report October 1998 (*Tabled 20 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
- Code of Conduct for Members of the Legislative Assembly

Report—

- Annual Report for 1997–98 (*Tabled 18 September 1998*)
- Report No. 23 – Report on a Citizen's Right of Reply Number 8 (*Tabled 21 October 1998*)

PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE—**Members—**

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

Report—

- Annual Report 1997–98 (*Tabled 6 October 1998*)

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*)

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PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES (CONTD.)

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

Reports—

- Report No. 48 – A review of the construction of the Queensland Cultural Centre Stage V (*Tabled 16 September 1998*)
- Annual Report 1997–98 (*Tabled 24 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*)
- Alert Digest No. 8 of 1998 (*Tabled 20 October 1998*)
- Annual Report for 1997–98 (*Tabled 21 October 1998*)

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

Current Inquiry—

- The Road Safety Implications of Unlicensed Driving and the Driving of Unregistered Vehicles in Queensland

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