NOTICE PAPER

for

WEDNESDAY, 28 APRIL 1999

The House meets this day at 9.30am

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2. POLICE POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND OTHER ACTS (REGISTERS) AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (27 April 1999, Mr Horan)

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6. COMMUNITY SERVICES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (25 March 1999, Mr Davidson)

7. STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS AND ANOTHER ACT AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (13 April 1999, Mr Beanland)

8. YEAR 2000 INFORMATION DISCLOSURE BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (13 April 1999, Mr Beanland)

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10. EQUITY AND FAIR TRADING (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (14 April 1999, Mr Davidson)

11. STATE DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS ORGANISATION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (15 April 1999, Mr Beanland)

12. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (15 April 1999, Dr Watson)

13. ROAD TRANSPORT REFORM BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (15 April 1999, Mr Beanland)

NOTICES OF MOTION

(Notice given 27 April 1999)

* MR MACKENROTH to move—
That Standing Order 158 of the Standing Rules and Orders of the Legislative Assembly be omitted and replaced with the following—

*No Member to vote if pecuniarily interested

158. No Member shall be entitled to vote in any division upon a question (not being a matter of public policy) in which he or she has a direct pecuniary interest not held in common with the rest of the subjects of the Crown. The vote of a Member may not
be challenged except on a substantive motion moved immediately after the division is completed, and the vote of a Member determined to be so interested shall be disallowed.”

*2 MR MACKENROTH to move—

That—

(a) the Resolution of the House dated 19 April 1989 establishing the Members’ and Related Persons’ Registers of Interests, as amended on 27 November 1990, 2 March 1993 and 11 March 1999 be replaced with the provisions set out in the attachment to this Resolution;

(b) the provisions of this Resolution take effect from 1 July 1999; and

(c) from 1 July 1999, the provisions of this Resolution continue in force unless and until amended or revoked by the Legislative Assembly in this or a subsequent Parliament.

Attachment to resolution relating to Members’ and Related Persons’ Register of Interests

Preamble

1. It is vital that in a representative democracy the public have confidence in the integrity of their elected representatives;

2. It is also vital that elected representatives be continually reminded that they exercise a public trust which should not be subject to any private interest;

3. It is also in the interests of elected representatives that they be able to demonstrate that at all times they have made scrupulous disclosure of their private interests;

4. The Legislative Assembly requires its Members to demonstrate a commitment to maintain the highest possible standard of propriety and to avoid and declare any potential conflict of interest;

5. The Members’ and Related Persons’ Registers of Interests are mechanisms to encourage and foster transparency, accountability and openness; and

6. The following provisions be recognised as the minimum disclosure required by Members and that Members be aware that the following provisions are not intended to be an exhaustive list of all possible financial arrangements which require, in the spirit of the resolution, to be declared.

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PART 1 – PRELIMINARY

Definitions
1. In this resolution, unless the contrary intention appears—
   “calendar month” means a period commencing at the beginning of a day of one of the 12 months of the year and ending immediately before the beginning of the corresponding day of the next month or, if there is no such corresponding day, ending at the end of the next month;
   “child”, in relation to a Member, includes an adopted child, a step–child or an ex–nuptial child of the Member;
   “Clerk” means The Clerk of the Parliament;
   “committee” means the Members’ Ethics and Parliamentary Privileges Committee;
   “company” means a company, whether a private company or a public company;
   “debenture” includes debenture stock, bonds, notes and any other document evidencing or acknowledging indebtedness of a company in respect of money that is deposited with or lent to the company;
   “de facto spouse” means a person who is living as the spouse of the Member although not legally married to that Member;
   “gift” means—
   (a) the transfer of money, property or other benefit—
       (i) without recompense; or
       (ii) for a consideration substantially less than full consideration; or
   (b) a loan of money or property made on a permanent, or an indefinite, basis; but does not include upgraded travel provided by an airline.
   “joint venture” means an undertaking carried on by 2 or more persons in common otherwise than as partners;
   “Member” means a Member of the Legislative Assembly;
   “month” means a calendar month;
   “nominee company” means a company whose principal business is the business of holding marketable securities as a trustee or nominee;
“officer”, in relation to a company, means—
(a) director or secretary of the company; or
(b) any other person who is concerned, or takes part, in the management of the company;

“partnership” includes a joint venture;

“private company” means a proprietary company, whether incorporated in Queensland or elsewhere;

“public company” means a company, other than a private company, whether incorporated in Queensland or elsewhere;

“Register” means—
(a) the Register of Members’ Interests; or
(b) the Register of Related Persons’ Interests;

“Registrar” means the Registrar of Members’ Interests;

“related person”, in relation to a Member, means—
(a) the spouse of the Member;
(b) a child of the Member who is wholly or substantially dependent on the Member; or
(c) any other person—
(i) who is wholly or substantially dependent on the Member; or
(ii) whose affairs are so closely connected with the affairs of the Member that a benefit derived by the person, or a substantial part of it, could pass to the Member;

“share” means—
(a) a share in the share capital of a company;
(b) stock;
(c) a convertible note; or
(d) an option;

“sitting day”, in relation to the Parliament, means a day on which the Parliament meets;

“sponsored travel” means any travel undertaken, including accommodation incidental to the travel, otherwise than in an official capacity, by the Member or a related person in respect of which a contribution (whether in cash or kind) to the cost of the travel (including incidental accommodation) is made by a person other than the Member or a related person but does not include upgraded travel provided by an airline, meals or sporting or cultural entertainment.

“spouse”, in relation to a Member, includes a de facto spouse of the Member;

“statement of interests” means—
(a) a statement of interests (Member); or
(b) a statement of interests (related persons);

“statement of interests (Member)” means the statement of a Member’s interests required to be given by the Member to the Registrar under clause 5;

“statement of interests (related persons)” means the statement of the interests of a Member’s related persons required to be given by the Member to the Registrar under clause 5;
“trade or professional organisation” means a body (whether incorporated or unincorporated) of—
(a) employers or employees; or
(b) persons engaged in a profession, trade or other occupation;
being a body the object, or an object, of which is the furtherance of its own professional, industrial or economic interests or those of any of its Members’;
“year” means period of 12 months commencing on 1 January.

Interpretation – terms relating to companies
2.(1) A person is taken to have a controlling interest in shares in a company if the person is able—
(a) to dispose of, or to exercise control over the disposal of, the shares; or
(b) where the shares are voting shares – to exercise, or to control the exercise of, any voting powers attached to the shares.
(2) The question whether a company is a subsidiary of another company is to be determined in the same manner as the question whether a corporation is a subsidiary of another corporation is determined for the purposes of the Corporations Law of Queensland.
(3) A reference in this resolution to the holding company of another company is a reference to a company of which that other company is a subsidiary.

Interpretation – forms
3.(1) In this resolution, a reference to a form by number is a reference to the form so numbered in the Schedule.
(2) Strict compliance with a form in the Schedule is not necessary and substantial compliance, or such compliance as the circumstances of a particular case allow, is sufficient.

Registrar
4.(1) There is to be a Registrar of Members’ Interests.
(2) The Clerk is to be the Registrar.

PART 2 – STATEMENTS OF INTERESTS

Giving of statements
5.(1) In accordance with resolutions adopted by the Legislative Assembly and in a form determined by the Members’ Ethics and Parliamentary Privileges Committee from time to time each Member shall within one month of making and subscribing an oath or affirmation as a Member, provide to the Registrar of Members’ Interests a statement of—
(a) the Member’s Registrable Interests as at the date of the election;
(b) the Registrable Interests, as at the date of the election, of which the Member is aware of related persons.
(2) A Member must notify the Registrar in writing of any change in the details contained in the last statement of interests given by the Member within one month of becoming aware of the change.
(3) Where in any year there is no change to the details contained in the last statement of interests given by the Member the Member is required to complete and lodge a ‘no changes’ of interests return. This form is required to be submitted to the Registrar within one month after 30 June each year and shall cover the period from the preceding 30 June or the last occasion upon which the Member supplied a statement of interest to the 30 June of the current year.
(4) A Member is required to include in a statement of interests details relating to the interest of a related person only if the Member is aware of the interest.
A Member is not required to give, in any year—
(a) more than one statement of interests (Member); or
(b) more than one statement of interests (related persons); or
(c) more than one ‘no changes’ of interest declaration.

Form of statements and notice of change of details

6.(1) A statement of interests (Member)—
(a) must be in accordance with Form 1; and
(b) is to relate only to interests held by the Member—
   (i) alone; and
   (ii) jointly or in common with a related person.

(2) A statement of interests (related persons)—
(a) must be in accordance with Form 2; and
(b) is to relate only to interests held by related persons otherwise than jointly
   or in common with the Member.

(3) A notice of change of the details contained in a statement of interests must be in
   accordance with Form 3.

(4) A notice of no change in details must be in accordance with Form 4.

(5) The Committee may, by resolution, alter any of the above forms and notice of
    such alteration is to be made by the Chairman of the Committee to the
    Legislative Assembly within 5 sitting days.

Disclosure of interests

7. A statement of interests required to be given by a Member must contain the
   following details—
(a) in respect of any company in which the Member or a related person is a
   shareholder or has a controlling interest in shares—
   (i) the name of the company;
   (ii) where the shareholding or interest constitutes a controlling interest in
       the company — details of the shareholdings of the company in any
       other company;
   (iii) where the shareholding or interest is held in a private company, the
       details of the investments or beneficial interests of the company, but
       the value of those investments or beneficial interests need not be
       disclosed; and
   (iv) where the shareholding or interest is held in a private company that is
       the holding company of another company—
       (A) details of the investments or beneficial interests of the holding
           company, but the value of those investments or beneficial
           interests need not be disclosed;
       (B) the name of any company that is a subsidiary of the holding
           company;
       (C) the name of any company that is a subsidiary of any company
           that is the holding company’s subsidiary; and
       (D) the details of the investments or beneficial interests of those
           subsidiary companies, but the value of those investments or
           beneficial interests need not be disclosed;
(b) in respect of any company of which the Member or a related person is an officer—
   (i) the name of the company;
   (ii) the nature of the office held; and
   (iii) the nature of the activities of the company;
(c) in respect of any family or business trust or nominee company in which the Member or a related person holds a beneficial interest—
   (i) the name or a description of the trust, or the name of the company, as the case requires;
   (ii) the nature of the activities of the trust or company;
   (iii) the nature of the interest; and
   (iv) details of the investments and beneficial interest of the trust, but the value of those investments or beneficial interests need not be disclosed.
(d) in respect of any family or business trust in which the Member or a related person is a trustee—
   (i) the name or a description of the trust; and
   (ii) the nature of the activities of the trust;
(e) in respect of any partnership in which the Member or a related person has an interest—
   (i) the name or a description of the partnership;
   (ii) the nature of the activities of the partnership; and
   (iii) the nature of the interest;
(f) in respect of any real estate in which the Member or a related person has an interest—
   (i) the location of the relevant property (by reference to suburb or area);
   (ii) the approximate size of the property;
   (iii) the purpose for which the property is and is intended to be used; and
   (iv) the nature of the interest;
(g) in respect of any liability (excluding department store and credit card accounts) of the Member or a related person or a trust of which a Member or a related person is a beneficiary or a private company of which a Member or a related person is a shareholder—
   (i) the nature of the liability; and
   (ii) the name of the creditor concerned;
   unless—
   (i) it arises from the supply of goods or services supplied in the ordinary course of any occupation of the Member or business of the trust or private company in which the Member or related person has an interest which is not related to the Member’s duties as a Member of the Legislative Assembly; or
   (ii) the debt is for an amount of $10,000 or less;
(h) details of any debenture or similar investment held by the Member or a related person;
(i) in respect of any savings or investment account of the Member or a related person held with a bank, building society, credit union or other
institution—
(i) the nature of the account; and
(ii) the name of the institution concerned;

(j) gifts valued at more than $500 from one source, or where two or more gifts are made from one source during the return period exceed, in aggregate, $500 provided that a gift received by a Member, the Member’s spouse or dependent children from family members or personal friends in a purely personal capacity need not be registered unless the Member judges that an appearance of conflict of interest may be seen to exist;

(k) in respect of any sponsored travel received by the Member or a related person—
(i) the source of the contribution concerned; and
(ii) the purpose of the travel.

(l) any other source of income over $500 per annum received by—
(i) the Member or a related person; or
(ii) a private company, or a trust, in which the Member or a related person holds an interest;

or where the source of income is under $500, where that income might, in the judgment of the Member, involve sensitivity or be capable of misconstruction;

(m) details of any other asset of the Member or a related person the value of which exceeds $5000, other than—
(i) household and personal effects;
(ii) a motor vehicle used only or mainly for personal use; and
(iii) superannuation entitlements;

(n) the name of any political party, trade or professional organisation of which the Member or related person is a Member, or the name of any other organisation of which the Member is an officeholder or financial contributor donating $500 or more in any single calendar year to that organisation;

(o) any other interest (whether or not of a pecuniary nature) of the Member or a related person—
(i) of which the Member is aware; and
(ii) that raises, appears to raise, or could foreseeably raise, a conflict between the Member’s private interest and his or her duty as a Member.

Questions concerning statements

8.(1) If a question relating to whether a matter should or should not be included in a statement of interests is raised by a Member with the Registrar, the Registrar must—

(a) subject to the terms of any resolution of the Legislative Assembly affecting the matter – attempt to resolve the matter without referring it to the Committee; and

(b) if the matter is not so resolved – refer the matter to the Committee.

(2) A reference of a matter to the Committee—

(a) must be made in general terms; and

(b) except with the consent of the Member, must not disclose the name of the Member.
(3) The Committee must—
   (a) consider any matter referred to it; and
   (b) if the name of the Member has been disclosed to it – give the Member the
       opportunity to be heard;
       after which it must decide whether the matter should or should not be included
       by the Member in the statement of interests concerned.

(4) The Registrar must immediately notify the Member of the decision of the
    Committee.

(5) If the Member informs the Committee in writing that he or she does not agree
    with the decision of the Committee, the Committee must—
    (a) make a report to the Legislative Assembly; and
    (b) with the report, recommend the action that should be taken in relation to
         the matter.

(6) A report under subclause (5)—
    (a) must be made in general terms; and
    (b) must not disclose the name of the Member.

PART 3 – REGISTERS

Keeping of Registers

9.(1) The Registrar must keep, in such forms as the Registrar considers appropriate—
   (a) a Register of Members’ Interests; and
   (b) a Register of Related Persons’ Interests.

(2) As soon as practicable after receiving a statement of interests from a Member,
    the Registrar must—
    (a) in the case of a statement of interests (Member) – enter in the Register of
        Members’ Interests the relevant details contained in the statement; and
    (b) in the case of a statement of interests (related persons) – enter in the
        Register of Related Persons’ Interests the relevant details contained in the
        statement.

(3) As soon as practicable after receiving a notice of change of details under
    subclause 5(2), the Registrar must make such alteration to the details entered in
    the relevant Register as is necessary to reflect the change.

Custody of Registers

10. The Registrar is to have the custody of—
   (a) each Register;
   (b) each statement of interests received by the Registrar under clause 5; and
   (c) any notice of change of details received by the Registrar under subclause
       5(2).

Tabling of Register of Members’ Interests

11. As soon as practicable after—
    (a) the first sitting day of each Parliament; and
    (b) the 30th day of June in each subsequent year during the life of that
        Parliament;
        the Speaker must cause a copy of the Register of Members’ Interests to be laid
        before the Legislative Assembly.
Publishing of Register of Members’ Interests

12. The Register tabled in accordance with 11(a) above shall be immediately published as a Parliamentary paper.

Inspection of Registers

13.(1) The Registrar must, at the request of a person, permit the person to inspect the Register of Members’ Interests during normal business hours of the office of the Clerk.

(2) The Registrar must, on request, make the Register of Related Persons’ Interests available to—
   (a) the Speaker;
   (b) the Premier;
   (c) any other Leader in the Legislative Assembly of a political party;
   (d) the Chairman and Members of the Members’ Ethics and Parliamentary Privileges Committee;
   (e) the Criminal Justice Commission.

PART 4 – COMPLAINTS

Allegations by Members

14.(1) A Member may make an allegation against another Member that the other Member has failed to comply with the requirements relating to the disclosure of a matter under this resolution.

(2) The allegation must be made, in writing, to the Registrar.

(3) The Registrar must—
   (a) refer the allegation to the Committee; and
   (b) give the details of the allegation to the Member against whom the allegation is made.

Consideration of allegations

15.(1) The Committee must consider each allegation referred to it and, for that purpose, may—
   (a) give each Member concerned the opportunity to be heard; and
   (b) obtain information from such other persons, and make such inquiries, as it thinks fit;
   after which it may—
   (c) make a report to the Legislative Assembly; and
   (d) with the report, recommend the action that should be taken in relation to the matter.

(2) The Committee must not make a report unless—
   (a) it has given the Member against whom the allegation has been made the opportunity—
      (i) to be heard; and
      (ii) to make written submissions; and
   (b) it has given the persons that the Member nominates the opportunity to be heard.

Complaints by public

16.(1) A person may make a complaint alleging that a Member has failed to comply with the requirements relating to the disclosure of a matter under this resolution.
(2) The complaint must be made, in writing, to the Registrar.

(3) The Registrar must, before taking any further action in relation to the complaint, inform the complainant in writing that parliamentary privilege does not extend to any communication between the complainant and the Registrar.

(4) The Registrar may require the complainant to give to the Registrar—
   (a) details of the complainant’s name and address;
   (b) details, or further details, of the complaint; and
   (c) copies of any documents or other material available to the complainant supporting the complaint.

(5) The Registrar may refuse to take any further action in relation to the complaint if the complainant refuses or fails to comply with a requirement under subclause (4).

(6) If the Registrar believes on reasonable grounds that there is evidence to support an allegation the subject of the complaint, the Registrar must—
   (a) refer the matter to the Committee; and
   (b) give the details of the complaint to the Member concerned.

Consideration of complaints
17.(1) Where a complaint is referred to it, the Committee—
   (a) may request the Member concerned to provide an explanation of the allegation the subject of the complaint; and
   (b) must, if the Member disputes the allegation—
      (i) give the Member the opportunity to be heard;
      (ii) give the persons that the Member nominates the opportunity to be heard; and
      (iii) obtain information from such other persons, and make such inquiries, as it thinks fit.

(2) The Committee must make a report to the Legislative Assembly in respect of the complaint—
   (a) if the Member concerned disputes the allegation the subject of the complaint – on completion of its consideration of the complaint;
   (b) if the Member confirms the allegation – on receiving notice to that effect; and
   (c) if the Member does not, within a reasonable period, respond to a request given to him or her under paragraph (1)(a) – on the expiration of the period.

(3) The Committee must, with the report, recommend the action that should be taken.

(4) The Committee must not, in the report, make a finding that is adverse to the Member concerned unless it has given the Member—
   (a) full particulars of the complaint; and
   (b) the opportunity to be heard in relation to the complaint.

Explanatory Notes
18. The Committee, either on its own initiative or upon request of the Registrar, may produce and publish explanatory notes to further explain the requirements of this resolution and the information to be included in the Registers.
PART 5 – ENFORCEMENT

Effect of failure to comply with requirements

19. A Member who knowingly—
   (a) fails to give a statement of interests to the Registrar under subclause 5(1);
   (b) fails to notify the Registrar under subclause 5(2) of a change of details contained in a statement of interests; or
   (c) gives to the Registrar a statement of interests, or gives information to the Registrar or Committee, that is false, incomplete or misleading in a material particular;
   is guilty of a contempt of the Parliament and may be dealt with accordingly.

GENERAL BUSINESS

ORDERS OF THE DAY

1  TRANSPLANTATION AND ANATOMY AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (Amendment moved by Miss Simpson) (14 April 1999, Dr Prenzler)

2  WEAPONS AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (11 November 1998, Mr Barton)

3  QUEENSLAND BUILDING SERVICES AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (18 November 1998, Ms Spence)

4  LEGISLATIVE STANDARDS AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (19 November 1998, Mr Beattie)

5  SCHOOL UNIFORM BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (4 March 1999, Mr Wells)

6  COMMUNITY–BASED REFERENDUM BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (9 March 1999, Mr Foley)

7  LIQUOR AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (23 March 1999, Mr Mackenroth)

8  ELECTORAL AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (23 March 1999, Mr Foley)

9  ANIMALS PROTECTION AMENDMENT BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (25 March 1999, Mr Palaszczuk)

10 FINES BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (14 April 1999, Mr Foley)

11 COMPETITION POLICY REFORM (QUEENSLAND) REPEAL BILL – Resumption of second reading debate (15 April 1999, Mr Hamill)
NOTICE OF MOTION

(Notice given 15 April 1999)

1 MRS E CUNNINGHAM to move—
   (1) That the resolution of this House dated 27 November 1990, as amended, be replaced with the draft proposed resolution contained in Appendix 4 of the Members’ Ethics and Parliamentary Privileges Committee Report No. 2 tabled on 30 October 1996; and
   (2) further, that item 7(k) of that draft proposed resolution be amended by deleting the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00) where occurring and substituting on each occasion the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00).

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

The following questions were asked on Tuesday, 27 April 1999. 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 Thursday, 27 May 1999.

469 MR DALGLEISH ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—
   With reference to a media release by the Queensland Fisheries Management Authority (QFMA) on 12 April headed ‘Mud Crab Paper Seeking Public Comment’—
   (1) Is it prohibited to take female mud crabs?
   (2) What is the current minimum legal size for mud crabs?
   (3) Where is the size measured on mud crabs?
   (4) What is the bag limit of mud crabs for recreational crabbers?
   (5) What is the bag limit of mud crabs for commercial operators?
   (6) What is the bag limit of mud crabs for Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders?
   (7) Is it prohibited for Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders to take female mud crabs?
   (8) Do Aboriginals or Torres Strait Islanders have to comply with the minimum size when they take mud crabs?

470 MR FELDMAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
   (1) Will she explain to constituents of mine who are the parents of a disabled child, why there is a three–year waiting list at the Child Development Unit at the Royal Children’s Hospital and why there is only one such unit in Queensland?
   (2) Will she also explain how having to wait three years just to have your child assessed will assist parents needing direction and assistance with the educational requirements of their disabled children at this very point of time?
   (3) As these are parents who have been dealt a savage blow by nature, who are wanting to provide the very best opportunity for their disabled child, why are they being dealt an even greater unkind cut with this lengthy wait?

471 MR PAFF ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES (MR BARTON)—
   With reference to recent complaints regarding the sewage seepage from Borallen Correctional Centre at Borallen—
   (1) As a matter of urgency, will he investigate these allegations?
   (2) Will he ensure that this health hazard is rectified?
(3) Will he also extend his investigations to the nearby Sandy Creek as it would appear to be contaminated by the same sewage leaking from Borallen Correctional Centre?

472 MR BLACK ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM, SPORT AND RACING (MR GIBBS)—
(1) Will the Vision Airlie Project be approved?
(2) Will adequate funding be made available during the term of this Government for this project?
(3) Does he agree that the proposal will create many jobs within the region?
(4) Does he agree that the completion of this project will benefit the mainland tourism industry and residents by offering a much needed mainland attraction?

473 DR PRENZLER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

With reference to the Cunningham Highway between Warrill View and the Kalbar turnoff which contains sections of road in a shocking state, and an area just south of Silverdale which has disintegrated to resemble what could only be described as a dirt track—
(1) What immediate action is his department undertaking to repair these sections of road and when?
(2) Will it be only another "patch up" job or will correct reconstruction be carried out?
(3) What is the estimated cost of repair to this part of this very important interstate arterial link?
(4) How much Federal funding is being provided for this highway in the next two years?

474 MR TURNER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR FAMILIES, YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CARE AND MINISTER FOR DISABILITY SERVICES (MS BLIGH)—

With reference to the anomaly concerning the Commonwealth Department of Health subsidy paid to nursing homes for the aged in Queensland being less than that paid to other States and to the investigation recently conducted by the Commonwealth Productivity Commission into the subsidies paid throughout Australia—
(1) Will she explain why there has been a delay in releasing this report to the industry and in implementing the Commission’s report?
(2) When will it happen?

475 MR NELSON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

With reference to some considerable and justified community anger over the Beattie Government’s decision to increase valuations on the Tablelands—

Will he assure me that he will meet with the Tablelands primary industry forum as soon as possible?

476 MR LESTER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—

Will she guarantee that a three–year–old Rockhampton deaf boy of whom she is aware will receive no lesser access to speech therapy service at the community health centre than he received at Rockhampton Hospital before his parents were informed he could no longer receive a service there?

477 MRS SHELDON ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—
(1) Will he explain how, as reported in the CAMCOS Stage 3 Report, his preferred Caloundra rail corridor has "the best ability to absorb visual impacts"?
(2) How can his preferred corridor, which traverses environmentally sensitive areas, residential areas, public areas, hospitals and open spaces, better absorb visual
impacts than the community–preferred corridor which does not impact on already
developed areas, but has the potential to be included in strategic land usage
planning?

(3) How can he accept an ugly bridge with lengthy approaches to accommodate
necessary gradients at the entrance to the town and a rail track at gable height
through an industrial area as visually attractive?

478 MRS. PRATT ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN
ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

With reference to the present situation whereby Mr Peter Pottle, an aged pensioner of
Kingaroy, is entitled to a Queensland pensioner travel voucher (x–four) for his use within a
twelve–month period and Mr Pottle's wife is, apparently, not eligible to travel with him on
the railway unless she pays the full fare and to visit their son, who resides in Cairns, it
would mean that Mrs Pottle has to pay the return fare of $270 and as she receives only
partner allowance, she is unable to afford this and due to her younger age and the fact that
she is female, it would seem that Mrs Pottle will not be eligible for these travel benefits for
another twelve years—

(1) Will he explain to Mr and Mrs Pottle and to any other person who finds themselves in,
what to them, seems such a ridiculous and hurtful situation (a) why the partner cannot
use two of the four travel vouchers, (b) what could be the harm in a pensioner and his
wife/partner using the vouchers for one trip per year, rather than the pensioner taking
two trips unaccompanied as the cost factor would be the same and (c) why a
dependent partner can't be nominated on the application for Queensland Rail travel
when he or she, after all, is named on the pensioner card as a dependent?

(2) Is the Government attempting to save money by forcing pensioners who are unable,
or find it difficult to travel alone, to forego their concession because their wives or
partners cannot afford to accompany them?

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

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s,
and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s
and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

480 MR MALONE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES (MS ROSE)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in her
portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in her portfolio/s
and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

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

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in her
portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in her portfolio/s
and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

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

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in her
portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in her portfolio/s
and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?
MR SLACK ASKED THE DEPUTY PREMIER AND MINISTER FOR STATE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER FOR TRADE (MR ELDER)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

MR ROWELL ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY AND MINISTER ASSISTING THE DEPUTY PREMIER ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (MR MCGRADY)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

MR HEALY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TOURISM, SPORT AND RACING (MR GIBBS)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

DR WATSON ASKED THE TREASURER (MR HAMILL)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

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

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

MR SPRINGBORG ASKED THE ATTORNEY–GENERAL AND MINISTER FOR JUSTICE AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (MR FOLEY)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

MR HOUBBS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION AND MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, PLANNING, REGIONAL AND RURAL COMMUNITIES (MR MACKENROTH)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

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

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in her portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?
(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in her portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

491 MR BORBIDGE ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BEATTIE)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

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

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

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

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

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

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

495 MR HORAN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES (MR BARTON)—

(1) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s, and at what SES levels at 1 July 1998?

(2) How many Senior Executive Service public servants were employed in his portfolio/s and at what SES levels at 31 March 1999?

496 MR SEENEY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—

With reference to the very important community–recognised structure of the State–wide district health councils—

Will the district health council structure continue or will the councils not continue after their expiry date in 2000?

497 MR BAUMANN ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—

With reference to a Queensland Times newspaper article which referred to the proposed disposal of surplus land at Wolston Park with an anticipation of private sector involvement—

Has any official interest from the Minister for Tourism been registered in relation to acquiring the land for tourism or heritage purposes?

498 MR HEGARTY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—

With the redevelopment of Wolston Park Hospital, how many nursing and auxiliary positions will be lost at Wolston Park?
499 **MR ELLIOTT** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
What continuity of employment arrangements has been made for the building and engineering maintenance workforce currently at Wolston Park?

500 **MR STEPHAN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
With reference to the Enterprise Bargaining III Agreement struck for Queensland Health Employees—
(1) How many directors of nursing will receive enhanced packages which include the private use of motor vehicles?
(2) What will be the cost of this enhanced package?

501 **MRS GAMIN** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
Following the completion of negotiations with Queensland Health Employees’ Enterprise Bargaining III Agreement, what is the current position of the visiting medical officers’ agreement?

502 **MR MITCHELL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
Does she sanction the Bowen Health District’s decision not to fill vacant staff positions for a psychologist, psychiatric nurse, community nurse (Ayr), part-time child health nurse and social worker (Ayr) in order to keep to budget?

503 **MR CONNOR** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
With reference to the State Government’s pledge to expand the eligibility criteria for taxi subsidies to needy people—
(1) Will she outline the new criteria as well as how much this will cost and whether this is being paid out of existing HACC allocations?
(2) What is the regional breakdown of this cost?

504 **MR LITTLEPROUD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
What is the wait-time for appointments at each of the centres or State clinics throughout the State offering State dental services?

505 **MR GRICE** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
What are the wait-times for hearing-impaired children to see speech therapists in the various State health facilities offering the service?

506 **MR LINGARD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—
With reference to the redevelopment of Wolston Park Hospital and the promised redeployment or redundancy of existing staff following the Premier’s intervention and discussions with union representatives—
Has an enhanced voluntary employment package, similar to that offered to Queensland Rail employees, been offered to Wolston Park staff?

507 **MR GOSS** ASKED THE PREMIER (MR BEATTIE)—
With reference to the Queensland Health Enterprise Bargaining Agreement III and to the fact that on 15 April she enthusiastically told the Parliament that “The Labor Government has fully funded this Enterprise Agreement” and further, “It is an underestimation to say that the cashable savings mentality of the Coalition’s Enterprise Bargaining Agreement II was a disaster”—
Will this Enterprise Bargaining Agreement III be the benchmark for other Queensland Government Enterprise Bargaining Agreements; if not, why not?
MRS E CUNNINGHAM ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—

With reference to the contents of the Ministerial Statement of 27 April—

What re-assurance will he give that (a) any fishermen demonstrably disadvantaged will have their allocation reviewed, (b) any fishermen not advised of the 'investment alert' will have their allocation reviewed and (c) the implementation of ITQs will not see large fishing operators force smaller fishing interests out of the market because of an imbalance in access to the fishery in favour of large operators in relation to the allocation of ITQs?
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