

# NOTICE PAPER

for

## TUESDAY, 22 AUGUST 2000

*The House meets this day at 9.30am*

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## GENERAL BUSINESS

### MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST

## GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1 **STATE HOUSING AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2)** – Resumption of second reading debate (16 May 2000, Mr Laming)
- 2 **SUCCESSION AND OTHER ACTS AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (1 June 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 3 **WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (1 June 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 4 **ELECTRICITY AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (13 April 2000, Mr Seeney)
- 5 **CHILD CARE AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (12 April 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 6 **TRANSPORT (BUSWAY AND LIGHT RAIL) AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (15 March 2000, Mr Johnson)
- 7 **EVIDENCE AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (12 April 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 8 **VALUATION OF LAND AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (12 April 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 9 **PUBLIC RECORDS BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (26 October 1999, Dr Watson)
- 10 **CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (10 November 1999, Mr Borbidge)
- 11 **EVIDENCE (WITNESS ANONYMITY) AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (18 May 2000, Mr Springborg)
- 12 **FOOD PRODUCTION (SAFETY) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (18 May 2000, Mr Rowell)
- 13 **PENALTIES AND SENTENCES AND OTHER ACTS AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (1 June 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 14 **WITNESS PROTECTION BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (22 June 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 15 **JUSTICE AND OTHER LEGISLATION (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (22 June 2000, Mr Springborg)
- 16 **CHILDREN SERVICES TRIBUNAL BILL and COMMISSION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (22 June 2000, Mr Beanland)

- 17 **NATURE CONSERVATION AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (22 June 2000, Mr Lester)
- 18 **WATER BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (22 June 2000, Mr Lester)
- 19 **DANGEROUS GOODS SAFETY MANAGEMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (22 June 2000, Mr Malone)
- 20 **LAND AND RESOURCES TRIBUNAL AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (19 July 2000, Mr Borbidge)
- 21 **STATUTE LAW (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (19 July 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 22 **STATUS OF CHILDREN AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (19 July 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 23 **GAMBLING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (19 July 2000, Mr Beanland)
- 24 **CORRECTIVE SERVICES BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (19 July 2000, Mr Horan)
- 25 **APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL and APPROPRIATION BILL** – Referred to Estimates Committees (21 July 2000)

## NOTICE OF MOTION – REVOCATION OF STATE FOREST

(Notice given 18 May 2000)

- 1 **MR WELFORD** to move—
  - (1) That this House agrees that the Proposal by the Governor in Council to revoke the setting apart and declaration as State forest under the *Forestry Act 1959* of—
    - (a) All that part of State forest 98 described as Lot 3 on SP106733 shown hachured on plan FTY 1777 prepared under the authority of the Primary Industries Corporation and containing an area of 17.29 hectares;
    - (b) All that part of State forest 249 described within stations (5–4–3–5) on plan SP116483 shown hachured on plan FTY 1829 prepared under the authority of the Primary Industries Corporation and containing an area of 1199 square metres;
 be carried out.
  - (2) That Mr Speaker convey a copy of this Resolution to the Minister for submission to His Excellency the Governor in Council.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

### ORDERS OF THE DAY

- 1 **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate ( 19 July 2000, Mr Elliott)
- 2 **MINERAL RESOURCES AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (20 July 1999, Mr Beattie)
- 3 **CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (18 August 1999, Mr Mackenroth)
- 4 **DEFAMATION AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (26 August 1999, Mr Foley)
- 5 **WEAPONS AMENDMENT BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (15 September 1999, Mr Barton)
- 6 **CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENT BILL (NO. 2)** – Resumption of second reading debate (27 October 1999, Mr Foley)
- 7 **TIMBER PLANTATIONS (HARVEST GUARANTEE) BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (27 October 1999, Mr Palaszczyk)
- 8 **TEMPORARY COASTAL DWELLINGS PROTECTION BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (9 November 1999, Mr Welford)
- 9 **INFORMATION PRIVACY BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (9 December 1999, Mr Foley)
- 10 **VEGETATION MANAGEMENT REPEAL BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (2 March 2000, Mr Welford)
- 11 **GOVERNMENT PUBLICITY CONTROL BILL** – Resumption of second reading debate (15 March 2000, Mr Hamill)

### NOTICE OF MOTION – DISALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

(Notice given 20 June 2000)

- 1 **MR MALONE** to move – That the Fire and Rescue Authority Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2000, Subordinate Legislation No. 113 of 2000, tabled in the House on 20 June 2000 be disallowed.

## QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

*The following questions were asked on **Friday, 21 July 2000**. 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, 21 August 2000**.*

**798 MR PAFF** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR MACKENROTH)—

With reference to the storage of combustible fuels and liquids at small fuel storage depots in rural areas—

- (1) What inspections, if any, are carried out of these storage sites under the Building (Flammable and Combustible Liquids) Regulations 1994?
- (2) How many inspections have been carried out in the last twelve months under these regulations?
- (3) Have any prosecutions been instigated against the storage of fuel where no bunding walls have been constructed?

**799 MR KNUTH** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE AND MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES (MR WELFORD)—

With reference to the Molongle Creek Boat Club Inc, a volunteer non-profit community service group which has been trying to provide a safer and improved boating access for a totally supportive boating community for safety reasons and which has been established and maintained over 20 years—

- (1) How many complaints from the public sector (if any) did the Government receive to justify its dogmatic treatment regarding the maintenance of the Molongle Creek channel?
- (2) What proof does the Government have to back up its claim that "The channel works are impacting on sea grass in the fish habitat area and dugong protection area and has the potential to disturb acid sulfate soil and cause environmental harm"?
- (3) Does he realise the entire issue relates to the maintenance of an existing channel which has continually been in the mouth of the Molongle Creek for over 20 years and it revolves around the removal of only a few centimetres of sediment?

**800 MR FELDMAN** ASKED THE TREASURER (MR HAMILL)—

With reference to the off road diesel fuel debate on 19 July 2000—

What steps and action is he taking to ensure that building and engineering contractors, extractive industries, farmers and marine operators, who fail to qualify for the rebate under the new Commonwealth Diesel and Alternative Grants Scheme and the Fuel Sales Grants Scheme, are not disadvantaged under these new arrangements?

**801 DR PRENZLER** ASKED THE TREASURER (MR HAMILL)—

With reference to the Government's first home owners grant that has become available to first home buyers from 1 July 2000—

If the applicant is an owner builder and meets the necessary deposits and loan repayment requirements, why cannot the grant be paid earlier to this home builder to assist him/her with the purchase of building materials for the new home?

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

With reference to a recent investigation by the Department of Families, Youth and Community Care (DFYCC) into allegations of suspected sexual abuse of a ward of the

State and an allegation that a foster carer was instructed by a DFYCC officer to claim falsely for payments to which she was not entitled—

Will she confirm (a) that the male person recently released from prison was at the time of his arrest and detention, in sole custody of an eighteen month old girl in a Hervey Bay street, (b) on the day of the arrest and detention of the male person, the eighteen month old girl was not returned to her home but left at an office that organises delivery of aged care packages and that this service is in no way trained to care for abandoned young children, (c) DFYCC officers signed a letter giving care and custody of five children, including three young girls under six years of age, to a female person who was under investigation as a result of the sexual abuse allegations, (d) the records inside DFYCC show that an aboriginal foster carer of some thirteen years' experience was denied day care reimbursement to a day care centre for a non-aboriginal child when an aboriginal child, also in the same foster care arrangement, was receiving that reimbursement which was being paid directly to the day care centre by DFYCC, (e) after a complaint by the aboriginal foster carer, she subsequently received such payments for the non-aboriginal child, (f) a grandmother of five of these children involved in this fiasco is a DFYCC officer stationed in Brisbane and (g) the children at risk were not removed from this intolerable situation after the alarms were raised some six weeks ago on the floor of this Parliament?

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

With reference to a recent investigation by the Department of Families, Youth and Community Care (DFYCC) into allegations of suspected sexual abuse of a ward of the State and an allegation that a foster carer was instructed by a DFYCC officer to claim falsely for payments to which she was not entitled—

Will she confirm that (a) a medical examination was carried out to determine whether or not the three year old girl, a ward of the State, had been subjected to sexual abuse, (b) the three year old ward of the State was treated for a vaginal infection, (c) the sexual abuse allegations were fully investigated, (d) DFYCC officers were aware that a male adult person, recently released from prison, is residing at the same house where these young girls presently reside, (e) the mother of five of the children who are presently residing in this home is an intravenous drug user who has hepatitis C and (f) the mother of five of these children presently residing in this home has been sent to prison for twelve months?

**804 MR MALONE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES (MR ROBERTSON)—**

With reference to the incident involving an ambulance officer who was found unconscious in the Queensland Ambulance Service Communications Centre at Mackay and to the Minister's claim that he was having the matter investigated—

- (1) Has the investigation been completed; if not, when will it be completed?
- (2) Did the investigation cover claims of improper use of the Internet, in particular, regular unauthorised access of pornographic web sites by at least one QAS staff member at Mackay?
- (3) Will he make the results of the investigation public?
- (4) Has he been made aware of, or ordered an investigation into, claims of other incidents of staff accessing pornographic web sites via QAS computers in other areas of the State?

**805 MR SEENEY ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES (MR ROBERTSON)—**

With reference to the provision of annual grants to support community-based helicopter emergency service providers and to his answer to Question on Notice No 580—

- (1) Will he investigate claims that employees and/or directors of one or more of the community-based organisations have received, or are receiving, commissions based on the amount of the Government grant?

- (2) Does he have any objection to a percentage of Government grants being used to pay commissions?
- (3) If he orders an investigation as suggested, will he make public the amount of Government grants being paid in commissions if, indeed, such commissions are being paid?

806 **MISS SIMPSON** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR BREDHAUER)—

With reference to the Maroochy Shire Council's request to him to (a) clarify the department's policy on the implementation of noise protection measures on new and existing State controlled roads and (b) to review the existing policy and consider reducing the acceptable noise limits on all State controlled roads to 63dbA—

- (1) What is the estimated cost of the existing policy?
- (2) What is the estimated unmet need under the existing thresholds of the policy ie, roads that meet the thresholds that still have to have noise amelioration provided?
- (3) What are the cost implications for road budget if the thresholds for State controlled roads were lowered to 63dbAs?

807 **MR LAMING** ASKED THE TREASURER (MR HAMILL)—

With reference to the production of the State Budget Papers (including Budget Papers, Ministerial Program Statements, Budget Highlights, Reading Guides and other publications contained in the Budget Paper packages—

What was the cost of production of the State Budget Papers for (a) 1999–2000 and (b) 2000–2001?

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

With reference to people with disabilities—

- (1) How many people are employed in each Queensland city and town?
- (2) What employment opportunities have been developed for each Queensland city and town?

809 **MR LESTER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES (MR BARTON)—

As there will be an additional 357 police officers (nett) allocated to Queensland as a result of the recent Budget, will he ensure that four additional police officers will be allocated to Yeppoon Police Station so that Yeppoon Police Station will become a 24 hour police station?

810 **MRS E CUNNINGHAM** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH (MRS EDMOND)—

In 1998–99 and 1999–2000 (a) what was the permanent staff levels for Gladstone Base Hospital of medical staff in each respective year and (b) what was the level of non-medical staff by category in each respective year?

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

With reference to the Dalrymple Rural Information and Support Service which was terminated in Charters Towers on 30 June 2000 because the auspicing body, Dalrymple Shire Council, was reluctant to continue being involved in the program given the strategic direction previously advised to council—

When will a new auspicing body be announced and when can we expect the Dalrymple Rural Information and Support Service to begin servicing the needs of the people of Charters Towers and Dalrymple Shire?

812 **MRS PRATT** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION (MR WELLS)—

With reference to the \$700,000 allocated in the Budget for schools in the Barambah Electorate of which \$250,000 has been allocated to Murgon High School—

- (1) What other schools will receive funding?
- (2) What is it allocated for?
- (3) What is the dollar value of each allocation?

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

With reference to the public housing construction and maintenance program for 1999–2000 and, in particular, the timeframe between 1 January 2000 and 31 March 2000, for duplexes (by bedroom count)—

- (1) What is/was the average cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?
- (2) What is/was the highest cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?
- (3) What is/was the lowest cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?

814 **MR COOPER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—

With reference to the public housing construction and maintenance program for 1999–2000 and, in particular, the timeframe between 1 July 1999 and 30 September 1999, for duplexes (by bedroom count)—

- (1) What is/was the average cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?
- (2) What is/was the highest cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?
- (3) What is/was the lowest cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?

815 **MR LITTLEPROUD** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—

With reference to the public housing construction and maintenance program for 1999–2000 and, in particular, the timeframe between 1 April 2000 and 30 June 2000, for duplexes (by bedroom count)—

- (1) What is/was the average cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?
- (2) What is/was the highest cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?
- (3) What is/was the lowest cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?

816 **MR SLACK** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING (MR SCHWARTEN)—

With reference to the public housing construction and maintenance program for 1999–2000 and, in particular, the timeframe between 1 October 1999 and 31 December 1999, for duplexes (by bedroom count)—

- (1) What is/was the average cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?
- (2) What is/was the highest cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?
- (3) What is/was the lowest cost to purchase and/or construct the above dwellings?

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

- (1) Has there been any liaison between the Office of Fair Trading and the authors of the two tier trading report of 20 July 1999 and the Valuers Registration Board?
- (2) Has the Valuers Registration Board requested or been provided with details of the allegations and claims of valuations contained in the report?



- (3) Has there or will there be an investigation into the report's findings in relation to registered valuers by the Office of Fair Trading or from the Valuers Registration Board of Queensland?

818 **MR HEALY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING AND MINISTER FOR SPORT (MR MACKENROTH)—

With reference to the cloud hanging over the future of the Sports Education Network Program developed with the assistance of officers in his department of Sport and Recreation Queensland based in Rockhampton and to the possibility of a withdrawal of Government funding for the program—

- (1) When will a decision be made on funding for the program?
- (2) Will the Government's decision on funding the program be based on recommendations from departmental officers working in Rockhampton?
- (3) How does the Government expect the program to continue operating during the period between the end of the funding resource agreement (30 June 2000) and a time in the future when a decision may be made to continue funding?
- (4) If funding is continued, out of what funding program will the money be sourced?

819 **MR GOSS** 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 her response to Question on Notice 622 in which she stated "The BSA is not in the business of making scapegoats out of builders who have made mistakes but who are willing to rectify them."—

- (1) Is she or the Building Services Authority (BSA) aware of any current cases where AV Jennings is refusing or delaying rectification work despite directions by the BSA?
- (2) In the case of Mr Merritt, how can AV Jennings be a scapegoat when Mr Potts admitted in his letter dated 16 March 2000 that AV Jennings in the construction of the home departed from legislative requirements?
- (3) Does the statement that AV Jennings has now been put on notice refer to formal notice under the *Queensland Building Services Authority Act*?

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

With reference to the large number of amputations and electrocutions recently reported, including daily amputations and 1,000 workplaces with life-threatening electrical risks—

- (1) How many prosecutions have been completed for these offences in the last 12 months?
- (2) How many resulted in convictions for these offences?
- (3) What was the fine imposed for each conviction?

821 **MR ROWELL** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND RURAL COMMUNITIES (MR PALASZCZUK)—

With reference to the Premier's statement that he is soon to take a submission to Cabinet regarding the crisis currently being experienced by the sugar industry and given that (a) the window of opportunity for re-planting Queensland's extensively damaged cane crop closes at the end of August, (b) many growers are considering leaving the industry unless they receive urgent assistance, (c) he has been in receipt of the sugar industry's submission for assistance for at least six weeks and (d) his department has been involved in weeks of negotiations with the Federal Government over a response—

- (1) Why did the Government have to be called to account in Parliament before he finally realised the extent of the problem and decided to prepare a response for Cabinet?
- (2) What financial contribution, if any, will the Government make to helping Queensland's 6,000 cane growers and the industry recover from this crisis?

## TEMPORARY CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES

Mr Kaiser, Mr Mickel, Ms Nelson–Carr, Mr Reeves

## ESTIMATES COMMITTEES

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE A

**Members—**

Ms Nelson–Carr (Chair), Messrs Beanland, Goss, Musgrove, Rowell and Wellington

**Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities
- 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—**

Tuesday, 1 August 2000

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE B

**Members—**

Mr Purcell (Chair), Mr Horan, Mrs Lavarch, Mr Malone, Mrs Miller, and Mr 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, 2 August 2000

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE C

**Members—**

Mrs Attwood (Chair), Messrs Johnson, Knuth, Laming, Lucas and Mickel

**Ministerial Portfolios—**

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

**Hearing Date—**

Thursday, 3 August 2000

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE D

**Members—**

Ms Struthers (Chair), Messrs Feldman, Fenlon and Quinn, Miss Simpson and Mr Sullivan

**Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Minister for Health
- Minister for Education

**Hearing Date—**

Friday, 4 August 2000

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE E

**Members—**

Ms Boyle (Chair), Hon. R Borbidge, Mrs J Cunningham, Messrs Kaiser and Slack 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, 8 August 2000

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE F

**Members—**

Mr Mulherin (Chair), Mrs E Cunningham, Messrs Roberts and Seeney, Mrs Sheldon and Mr Wilson

**Ministerial Portfolios—**

- Minister for Employment, Training and Industrial Relations
- Minister for Mines and Energy and Minister Assisting the Deputy Premier on Regional Development

**Hearing Date—**

Wednesday, 9 August 2000

### ESTIMATES COMMITTEE G

**Members—**

Mr Reeves (Chair), Messrs Healy and Hobbs, Hon. V Lester, Messrs Pearce and Pitt

**Ministerial Portfolios—**

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

**Hearing Date—**

Thursday, 10 August 2000

## PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

### LEGAL, CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW COMMITTEE

#### Members—

Mr Fenlon (Chairman), Mr Beanland, Ms Boyle, Mrs Gamin, Dr Prenzler, Mr Pitt

#### Current Inquiries—

- Review of the Queensland Constitutional Review Commission's February 2000 Report
- Review of the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* (Qld)

#### Reports—

- Annual Report for 1997–98 (*Tabled 26 August 1998*)
- Report No. 12 – The preservation and enhancement of individuals' rights and freedoms in Queensland: Should Queensland adopt a bill of rights? (*Tabled 18 November 1998*)
- Report No. 13 – Consolidation of the Queensland Constitution: Final Report (*Tabled 28 April 1999*)
- Report No. 14 – A review of the Report of the strategic review of the Queensland Ombudsman (*Tabled 15 July 1999*)
- Report No. 15 – Report on a study tour of New Zealand regarding freedom of information and other matters (*Tabled 20 July 1999*)
- Report No. 16 – Review of the Transplantation and Anatomy Amendment Bill 1998 (*Tabled 29 July 1999*)
- Report No. 17 – Annual Report for 1998–99 (*Tabled 26 August 1999*)
- Report No. 18 – Issues of electoral reform raised in the Mansfield decision: Regulating how-to-vote cards and providing for appeals from the Court of Disputed Returns (*Tabled 17 September 1999*)
- Issues Paper – Inquiry into issues of Queensland electoral reform (*Tabled 25 November 1999*)
- Position Paper – The role of the Queensland Parliament in treaty making (*Tabled 25 November 1999*)
- Discussion Paper No. 1 – Freedom of Information in Queensland (*Tabled 8 February 2000*)
- Report No. 19 – Implications of the new Commonwealth enrolment requirements (*Tabled 2 March 2000*)
- Report No. 20, April 2000 – The Electoral Amendment Bill 1999 (*Tabled 11 April 2000*)
- Background Paper – Four year parliamentary terms (*Tabled 11 April 2000*)
- Report No. 21 – Meeting with the Queensland Ombudsman (Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations) regarding the Ombudsman's *Annual Report to Parliament 1998–99* (*Tabled 19 April 2000*)
- Report No. 22 – The role of the Queensland Parliament in Treaty Making (*Tabled 19 April 2000*)
- Position Paper – Review of the Queensland Constitutional Review Commission's recommendations relating to a consolidation of the Queensland Constitution (*Tabled 27 April 2000*)
- Report No. 23 – Issues of Queensland electoral reform arising from the 1998 State election and amendments to the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (*Tabled 31 May 2000*)
- Report No. 24 – Review of the Queensland Constitutional Review Commission's recommendations relating to a consolidation of the Queensland Constitution (*Tabled 18 July 2000*)
- Report No. 25 – Annual Report 1999–2000 (*Tabled 19 July 2000*)
- Report No. 26 – The report of the Strategic Management Review of the Offices of the Queensland Ombudsman and the Information Commissioner (*Tabled 19 July 2000*)

### MEMBERS' ETHICS AND PARLIAMENTARY PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE

#### Members—

Mr Mickel (Chairman), Ms Attwood, Dr Kingston, Mr Reeves, Mrs Sheldon, Mr Springborg

#### Current Inquiries—

- Parliamentary privilege in Queensland
- Code of Conduct for Members of the Legislative Assembly

#### Reports—

- 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*)
- Report No. 24 – Report on a matter of privilege – The alleged misleading of the House by a Minister on 30 July 1998 (*Tabled 23 November 1998*)
- Report No. 25 – Report on a matter of privilege referred to the committee on 25 August 1998 (Use of the Legislative Assembly crest) (*Tabled 23 November 1998*)
- Report No. 26 – First report on the powers, rights and immunities of the Legislative Assembly, its committees and members (*Tabled 8 January 1999*)
- Report No. 27 – Report on a matter of privilege – The alleged misleading of the House by a Minister on 20 October 1998 (*Tabled 17 March 1999*)
- Report No. 28 – Report on a matter of privilege – Matter referred to the committee on 21 April 1998 (*Tabled 25 March 1999*)
- Report No. 29 – Report on a matter of privilege – Matter arising from Public Accounts Committee Report No. 43 (*Tabled 25 March 1999*)
- Report No. 30 – Report on a Matter of Privilege referred to the committee on 24 March 1999 – Request to access records of the Parliamentary Travelsafe Committee of the 48th Parliament (*Tabled 26 May 1999*)
- Report No. 31 – Report on a matter of privilege – Matter referred to the committee on 25 March 1999 (*Tabled 27 May 1999*)
- Report No. 32 – Report on a Citizen's Right of Reply No. 9 (*Tabled 29 June 1999*)
- Report No. 33 – Annual Report for 1998–99 (*Tabled 2 September 1999*)
- Report No. 34 – Report on relevance of House of Commons / House of Lords Joint Committee's report on parliamentary privilege (*Tabled 2 September 1999*)
- Report No. 35 – Report on a matter of privilege – A Member making a deliberately misleading statement in a "Dissenting Report" (*Tabled 15 September 1999*)
- Report No. 36 – Report on procedures for raising and considering matters of privilege or contempt and the definition of contempt (*Tabled 16 September 1999*)
- Report No. 37 – Report on a Citizen's Right of Reply No. 10 (*Tabled 12 November 1999*)
- Report No. 38 – Wording of Questions Relating to Children (*Tabled 9 December 1999*)
- Report No. 39 – Report on a matter of privilege – Alleged obstruction of a parliamentary committee's inquiry by officers of a Government Owned Corporation (*Tabled 17 December 1999*)
- Report No. 40 – Report on a matter of privilege – Matter referred to the committee on 3 December 1999 (*Tabled 16 March 2000*)
- Report No. 41 – Report on a matter of privilege – Matter concerning disorderly conduct of members of Parliament within the parliamentary precinct (*Tabled 31 May 2000*)
- Report No. 42 – Report on a matter of privilege – Unauthorised release of correspondence between a committee and ministers (*Tabled 7 June 2000*)

## PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

### Members—

Mr Lucas (Chairman), Mr Hegarty, Hon. V Lester, Mr Quinn, Ms Struthers, Mr Wilson

### Reports—

- Annual Report 1997–98 (*Tabled 6 October 1998*)
- A report in relation to statements allegedly made by a member of the Parliamentary Criminal Justice Committee, Mr Jack Paff MLA (*Tabled 4 March 1999*)
- Report No. 48 – A report on protocols for dealing with misconduct complaints against personnel of the Criminal Justice Commission (*Tabled 17 September 1999*)
- Report No. 49 – A report on an investigation by the Parliamentary Criminal Justice Commissioner into the alleged unauthorised disclosure of confidential information concerning an investigation by the CJC in respect of Mr Norman Alford (*Tabled 28 October 1999*)
- Report No. 50 – A report on the introduction of the Telecommunications Interception Power in Queensland – balancing investigative powers with safeguards (*Tabled 9 December 1999*)
- Report No. 51 – A report on an investigation by the Parliamentary Criminal Justice Commissioner into the alleged unauthorised disclosure of confidential information concerning an investigation of allegations made by Jack Kelvin Paff MLA (*Tabled 13 December 1999*)
- Report No. 52 – Annual Report 1998–99 (*Tabled 21 January 2000*)
- Report No. 53 – Examination of the Criminal Justice Commission's Annual Report 1998–99 (*Tabled 28 April 2000*)

## PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

### Members—

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

### Current Inquiries—

- Inquiry into the Administration of Grants and Subsidies by Queensland Government Departments
- Annual Reporting in the Queensland Public Sector
- Island Industries Board – 1998–99 Audit Findings

### Reports—

- Report No. 45 – Annual Report 1997–98 (*Tabled 15 September 1998*)
- Report No. 46 – Review of the Auditor-General's Reports – First Quarter 1998–99 (*Tabled 19 November 1998*)
- Report No. 47 – "Review of the Auditor-General's Reports – Second Quarter 1998–99" (*Tabled 27 May 1999*)
- Report No. 48 – "Interim Report – Queensland Rail Travel Claims" (*Tabled 27 May 1999*)
- Report No. 49 – Year 2000 Compliance (*Tabled 22 July 1999*)
- Report No. 50 – Queensland Rail Travel Claims (*Tabled 22 July 1999*)
- Report No. 51 – Annual Report for 1998–99 (*Tabled 17 September 1999*)
- Report No. 52 – Review of the Auditor-General's Reports – Third and Fourth Quarters 1998–99 (*Tabled 12 November 1999*)

## PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

### Members—

Mr Roberts (Chairman), Hon. K Lingard, Mr Laming, Mr Musgrove, Mr Purcell, Mr Rowell

### Current Inquiries—

- The Tweed River sand bypassing project
- QIMR Cancer Research Centre
- The \$8.6m Queensland Police Service upgrade of the police district headquarters and replacement of regional headquarters at Rockhampton
- The \$24m Queensland Rail Rockhampton workshops redevelopment
- The \$9m upgrade of Rockhampton TAFE incorporating the construction of an engineering technology facility and consolidation refurbishment work

### 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*)
- Report No. 49 – The upgrading of the Townsville Correctional Centre (*Tabled 22 October 1998*)
- Report No. 50 – Construction of a hot fire training facility by the Queensland Fire And Rescue Authority (*Tabled 22 October 1998*)
- Report No. 51 – Heritage Train project (*Tabled 12 November 1998*)
- Report No. 52 – Townsville Hospital redevelopment (*Tabled 12 November 1998*)
- Report No. 53 – Construction of 30 Citytrain carriages (*Tabled 17 December 1998*)
- Report No. 54 – Construction of a new school and secondary department at Tin Can Bay (*Tabled 17 December 1998*)
- Report No. 55 – Redevelopment of the Maryborough Hospital (*Tabled 17 December 1998*)
- Report No. 56 – Construction of public housing for seniors in the Brisbane statistical division (*Tabled 29 April 1999*)
- Report No. 57 – Construction of the Ron Camm Bridge and Port infrastructure development by the Mackay Port Authority (*Tabled 8 June 1999*)
- Report No. 58 – Construction of the Tarong-Blackwall power transmission line (*Tabled 8 June 1999*)
- Report No. 59 – Robina and Noosa Hospital Projects (*Tabled 27 August 1999*)
- Report No. 60 – St George Irrigation Area Project (*Tabled 27 August 1999*)
- Annual Report for 1998–99 (*Tabled 28 October 1999*)
- Report No. 61 – Public Sector Backflow Prevention Programs (*Tabled 30 November 1999*)
- Report No. 62 – The Construction of Additional Female and Male Correctional Centres in South East Queensland (*Tabled 3 December 1999*)
- Report No. 63 – Capital Maintenance Program for the Queensland Cultural Centre (*Tabled 3 December 1999*)
- Report No. 64 – Maintenance of the State-controlled Road Network (*Tabled 23 March 2000*)
- Report No. 65 – Building Refurbishment at the Gold Coast Institute of TAFE (Southport Campus) (*Tabled 30 May 2000*)
- Report No. 66 – The Norman River Bridge (*Tabled 30 May 2000*)
- Report No. 67 – Cairns Seaport Development Marlin Marina Wave Barrier Protection System (*Tabled 20 June 2000*)
- Report No. 68 – The Bentley Park College (*Tabled 4 July 2000*)

## SCRUTINY OF LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

### Members—

Mrs Lavarch (Chairman), Mrs E Cunningham, Mr Elliott, Mr Feldman, Mrs Miller, 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*)
- Alert Digest No. 9 of 1998 (*Tabled 10 November 1998*)
- Alert Digest No. 10 of 1998 (*Tabled 17 November 1998*)
- Report on Commissions of Inquiry (Forde Inquiry – Evidence) Regulation 1998 – Subordinate Legislation No. 278 (*Tabled 17 November 1998*)
- Alert Digest No. 11 of 1998 (*Tabled 16 December 1998*)

- Alert Digest No. 1 of 1999 (*Tabled 2 March 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 2 of 1999 (*Tabled 9 March 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 3 of 1999 (*Tabled 23 March 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 4 of 1999 (*Tabled 13 April 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 5 of 1999 (*Tabled 28 April 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 6 of 1999 (*Tabled 25 May 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 7 of 1999 (*Tabled 8 June 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 8 of 1999 (*Tabled 20 July 1999*)
- Report on the Fisheries Amendment Regulation (No. 3) (Subordinate Legislation No. 58 of 1999) (*Tabled 20 July 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 9 of 1999 (*Tabled 17 August 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 10 of 1999 (*Tabled 24 August 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 11 of 1999 (*Tabled 14 September 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 12 of 1999 (*Tabled 26 October 1999*)
- Annual Report for 1998–99 (*Tabled 27 October 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 13 of 1999 (*Tabled 9 November 1999*)
- Report No. 14 – University Statutes (*Tabled 9 November 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 14 of 1999 (*Tabled 23 November 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 15 of 1999 (*Tabled 1 December 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 16 of 1999 (*Tabled 8 December 1999*)
- Report No. 15 – The Fisheries (East Coast Trawl) Management Plan 1999 SL No. 289 of 1999 (*Tabled 8 December 1999*)
- Alert Digest No. 1 of 2000 (*Tabled 29 February 2000*)
- Alert Digest No. 2 of 2000 (*Tabled 14 March 2000*)
- Alert Digest No. 3 of 2000 (*Tabled 15 March 2000*)
- Alert digest No. 4 of 2000 (*Tabled 11 April 2000*)
- Alert digest No. 5 of 2000 (*Tabled 16 May 2000*)
- Alert Digest No. 6 of 2000 (*Tabled 30 May 2000*)
- Alert Digest No. 7 of 2000 (*Tabled 1 June 2000*)
- Alert Digest No. 8 of 2000 (*Tabled 20 June 2000*)
- Alert Digest No. 9 of 2000 (*Tabled 18 July 2000*)
- Report No. 16 – Fire and Rescue Authority Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2000 (*Tabled 18 July 2000*)

## SELECT COMMITTEE ON PARLIAMENTARY ENTITLEMENTS

### Members—

Hon. T Mackenroth (Chairman), Mr Speaker, Hon. P Beattie, Hon. R Borbidge, Mrs E Cunningham, Hon. J Elder, Mr Feldman, Dr Watson, Mr Wellington (*Select Committee which reported on terms of reference*)

### Report—

- Report No. 1 – A Report on Parliamentary Entitlements (*Tabled 29 October 1998*)

## SELECT COMMITTEE ON TRAVELSAFE

### Members—

Mrs J Cunningham (Chairman), Mr Healy, Mr Hobbs, Ms Nelson–Carr, Mr Stephan, Mr Sullivan

### Current Inquiries—

- Rural road safety in Queensland
- Public transport in South East 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*)
- Issues Paper No. 3 – Drug Driving in Queensland (*Tabled 12 November 1998*)
- Issues Paper No. 4 – Rural Road Safety in Queensland (*Tabled 13 April 1999*)
- Report No. 27 – Unlicensed, Unregistered and on the Road (*Tabled 22 July 1999*)
- Report No. 28 – Annual Report for 1998–99 (*Tabled 16 September 1999*)
- Report No. 29 – Drug Driving in Queensland (*Tabled 9 November 1999*)
- Information Paper No. 1 Inquiry into Public Transport in South East Queensland (*Tabled 12 November 1999*)
- Report No. 30 – Meeting of Australasian Parliamentary Road Safety Committees and Ministerial Advisors, Brisbane, 13 May 1999 (*Tabled 10 December 1999*)
- Report No. 31 – Report on the Symposium on International Visitors and Road Safety in Australia (*Tabled 21 January 2000*)
- Report No. 32 – Report on Queensland Transport's Road Safety Statistical Methodologies (*Tabled 14 July 2000*)

## STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE

### Members—

Mr Speaker (*ex officio* Chairman), Hon. R Borbidge, Mr Feldman, Hon. J Fouras, Hon. T Mackenroth, Dr Watson

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