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**1 MEETING OF THE HOUSE**

The House met at 9.30am pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (Honourable R K Hollis) read prayers.

**2 MATTER OF PRIVILEGE**

Miss Simpson rose on a matter of privilege and made the following statement—

'I rise on a matter of privilege, which I would like you to refer to the Members' Ethics and Parliamentary Privileges Committee. It concerns the Parliament being misled by the Minister for Public Works and Minister for Housing, Robert Schwarten.

The matter of privilege relates to information which has been obtained since a parliamentary committee inquiry into water contamination hazard reduction, otherwise known as backflow. In his evidence to the Public Works inquiry into backflow prevention, the Minister was asked by the member for Mooloolah, Bruce Laming, "When were you made aware of the internal audit into Quality Water—before or after its completion?" Mr Schwarten said—

"I was advised by telephone. I was not aware that an internal audit was being conducted at all. As I said in my statement, I was first told of this by the Director-General on about 26 February, which I believe was a Friday."

On 17 December 1998, the internal auditor, Robyn Turbit, sent an e-mail to Gary Trueman of Project Services regarding the internal audit. I will table that document. Mr Trueman sent a copy to the general manager of Q-Build, Tony Waters, with the following comment—

"Tony, as you are aware, there have been a number of inquiries from the Minister's office on Quality Water and the Backflow Prevention Program. This is a continuation of the process."

In fact, in a ministerial briefing note dated 20 October 1998, the "Background" reads—

"The Minister's Office has asked for an updated briefing on the Backflow Prevention Program and the 'Quality Water' Co-Venture Agreement involving Works Qld, BHF and PPK."

On 17 November 1998, the ministerial briefing note begins with the following "Background"—

"The Office of the Minister has requested further information regarding the Backflow Prevention program."

There is sufficient evidence available—particularly with the document I tabled—to suggest that the Minister was continually briefed between October 1998 and February 1999 on all aspects of the backflow prevention program and he misled the House in that regard. Mr Speaker, I ask that you refer this matter to the Members' Ethics and Parliamentary Privileges Committee..'

*Paper:* Miss Simpson, during her statement, tabled the following paper—

Copy of E-mail from Robyn Turbit to Gary Trueman of Project Services regarding to an internal audit

**3 PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE – VACANCY**

Mr Speaker reported that a vacancy exists in the Parliamentary Criminal Justice Committee consequent upon the resignation of Mr Santo Santoro from that Committee.

**4 PARLIAMENTARY CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE – CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP**

Leader of the House (Mr Mackenroth), by leave, moved – That Mr Robert Joseph Quinn be appointed to the Parliamentary Criminal Justice Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr Santo Santoro.

Question put and agreed to.

**5 PETITIONS**

The following petitions, lodged with The Clerk by the Members indicated, were received—

Mr Feldman, from 314 petitioners, requesting the House to apply to the Governor in Council for the immediate dismissal of the Queensland Harness Racing Board under Section 43 (1)(g) of the *Racing and Betting Act 1980* and the immediate resignation of its General Manager.

Mrs Nelson-Carr, from 35 petitioners, requesting the House to restore funding for the Life Education Centres for their positive health and anti-drug abuse program for Queensland children effective July 1, 1999.

Mrs Pratt, from 123 petitioners, requesting the House to rescind the Vegetation Management Bill 1999 immediately.

Ms Struthers, from 15 petitioners, requesting the House to introduce laws enabling Voluntary Euthanasia.

**6 MINISTERIAL PAPERS**

The following papers were tabled—

- (a) *Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development and Minister for Trade (Mr Elder)*—  
Report on Queensland Trade Delegation, lead by the Deputy Premier, to South Africa from 28 April to 9 May 2000  
Report on visit to Singapore from 4 to 9 April 2000
- (b) *Minister for Communication and Information, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Sport (Mr Mackenroth)*—  
Report of a decision by the Minister for Communication and Information, Local Government and Planning called in on 22 November 1999 pursuant to section 3.6.5 of the *Integrated Planning Act 1997*
- (c) *Minister for Environment and Heritage and Minister for Natural Resources (Mr Welford)*—  
(A) A 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; and
- (B) A brief explanation of the Proposal.

**7 MINISTERIAL NOTICE OF MOTION****8 MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS**

- (a) Premier (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the East Trinity site purchase.
- (b) Premier (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to industrial relations.
- (c) Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development and Minister for Trade (Mr Elder), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Airlie Beach Lagoon.
- (d) Minister for Communication and Information, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Sport (Mr Mackenroth), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the achievements of Queensland athletes at the Olympic swimming trials.

- (e) Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for the Arts (Mr Foley), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Kowanyama and Bamaga Community Justice and Cultural Centre.
- (f) Minister for Education (Mr Wells), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to an education delegation to China and Malaysia.

*Paper:* Mr Wells, during his statement, tabled the following paper—  
Report on education delegation to China and Malaysia – March 2000

- (g) Minister for Families, Youth and Community Care and Minister for Disability Services (Ms Bligh), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the process for funding of disability services and the Care Independent Living Association.
- (h) Minister for Environment and Heritage and Minister for Natural Resources (Mr Welford), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to natural resource management and the new Environmental Protection Compliance Unit.

## 9 MINISTERIAL STATEMENT – LEAVE TO MAKE GRANTED

Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities (Mr Palaszczuk) sought leave to make a ministerial statement.

Question put – That leave be granted.

The House divided.

AYES, 42

Attwood  
Barton  
Beattie  
Bligh  
Boyle  
Braddy  
Briskey  
Cunningham, E  
Cunningham, J

Edmond  
Elder  
Fenlon  
Foley  
Fouras  
Hamill  
Hayward  
Kaiser  
Lucas

Mackenroth  
McGrady  
Mickel  
Miller  
Mulherin  
Musgrove  
Nelson–Carr  
Nuttall  
Palaszczuk

Pearce  
Pitt  
Purcell\*  
Reeves  
Reynolds  
Roberts  
Robertson  
Rose  
Schwarten

Spence  
Struthers  
Sullivan\*  
Welford  
Wells  
Wilson

NOES, 40

Baumann\*  
Beanland  
Black  
Borbridge  
Connor  
Cooper  
Dalglish  
Davidson

Elliott  
Feldman  
Gamin  
Grice  
Healy  
Hegarty\*  
Hobbs  
Horan

Johnson  
Kingston  
Knuth  
Laming  
Lester  
Lingard  
Littleproud  
Malone

Mitchell  
Paff  
Pratt  
Prenzler  
Quinn  
Rowell  
Santoro  
Seeney

Sheldon  
Simpson  
Slack  
Springborg  
Turner  
Veivers  
Watson  
Wellington

Pairs – Mr Bredhauer, Dr Clark and Mrs Lavarch (AYES) and Messrs Goss, Nelson and Stephan (NOES)

*\*Tellers*

Question agreed to.

## 10 MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities (Mr Palaszczuk), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to hardwood forest plantations.

## 11 NOTICE OF MOTION

## 12 PRIVATE MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Private Members' statements were made.

## 13 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Questions without notice were asked.

*Paper:* Treasurer (Mr Hamill) tabled the following paper—  
Letter, dated 28 April 2000, from Honourable V Lester, MLA to Mr Hamill relating to gaming

Questions continued.

*Paper:* Mr Grice tabled the following paper—  
Documents relating to the Children's Commission and other websites and material available on the internet

Questions continued.

*Paper:* Minister for Police and Corrective Services (Mr Barton) tabled the following paper—  
Speaking notes

Questions continued.

*Withdrawal of Disorderly Member:* And Mr Hobbs, after warning, continuing to be disorderly, under the provisions of Standing Order 123A(3), the Speaker ordered Mr Hobbs to withdraw immediately from the Chamber.  
Whereupon Mr Hobbs withdrew from the Chamber.

Questions continued.

Questions concluded.

#### 14 EVIDENCE (WITNESS ANONYMITY) AMENDMENT BILL

Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for the Arts (Mr Foley), by leave, moved – That leave be granted to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Evidence Act 1977* and for other purposes.

Question put and agreed to.

Bill and Explanatory Notes presented by Mr Foley, Bill read a first time and *ordered* to be printed.

Mr Foley moved – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr Springborg moved – That the debate be now adjourned.

Question put and agreed to.

*Ordered* – That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for tomorrow.

#### 15 PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND NATURAL RESOURCES LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL

Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities (Mr Palaszczuk), by leave, moved – That leave be granted to bring in a Bill for an Act to abolish the Queensland Fisheries Management Authority, to enable the conversion of the Timber Research and Development Advisory Council into a non statutory body, to repeal the *Primary Industries Corporation Act 1992*, and for other purposes.

Question put and agreed to.

Bill and Explanatory Notes presented by Mr Palaszczuk, Bill read a first time and *ordered* to be printed.

Mr Palaszczuk moved – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr Rowell moved – That the debate be now adjourned.

Question put and agreed to.

*Ordered* – That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for tomorrow.

#### 16 RETAIL SHOP LEASES AMENDMENT BILL

Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development and Minister for Trade (Mr Elder), by leave, moved – That leave be granted to bring in a Bill for an Act to amend the *Retail Shop Leases Act 1994*.

Question put and agreed to.

Bill and Explanatory Notes presented by Mr Elder, Bill read a first time and *ordered* to be printed.

Mr Elder moved – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr Healy moved – That the debate be now adjourned.

Question put and agreed to.

*Ordered* – That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for tomorrow.

**17 FOOD PRODUCTION (SAFETY) BILL**

Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities (Mr Palaszczuk), by leave, moved – That leave be granted to bring in a Bill for an Act to establish Safe Food Production QLD and provide for food safety matters relating to the production of primary produce and for other purposes.

Question put and agreed to.

Bill and Explanatory Notes presented by Mr Palaszczuk, Bill read a first time and *ordered* to be printed.

Mr Palaszczuk moved – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Mr Rowell moved – That the debate be now adjourned.

Question put and agreed to.

*Ordered* – That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for tomorrow.

**18 FIRST HOME OWNER GRANT BILL**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Treasurer (Mr Hamill) – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

*Paper:* Mr Laming, during his speech, tabled the following paper—  
Letter, dated 20 April 2000, from Commissioner of State Taxation (SA) to Housing Industry Association (SA)

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Bill committed on the motion of Mr Hamill.

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*In Committee*

Clauses 1 to 71 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported without amendment.

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*In the House*

Bill reported without amendment.

Mr Hamill, by leave, moved – That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Title agreed to.

**19 QUEENSLAND COMPETITION AUTHORITY AMENDMENT BILL**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Treasurer (Mr Hamill) – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Bill committed on the motion of Mr Hamill.

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*In Committee*

Clauses 1 and 2 agreed to.

Clause 3 (*Amendment of s 10 (Authority's functions)*)—

The following amendment was proposed by Mr Hamill—

At page 10, after line 17—

*insert—*

**'(2A)** Section 10(e), 'to examine'—

*omit, insert—*

**'under the direction, to investigate'.**

Debate ensued.

Question – That Mr Hamill's amendment be agreed to – put and agreed to.

Clause 3, as amended, agreed to.

*New Clause 3A—*

The following amendment was proposed by Mr Hamill—

At page 11, after line 8—

*insert—*

**‘Amendment of s 12 (Directions by Ministers about authority’s functions)**

**‘3A. Section 12—**

*insert—*

**‘(5)** Despite subsection (2), if a direction is a direction by the Ministers under section 10(e), the direction must state how the investigation is to be conducted and, for that purpose, may apply all or stated provisions of part 6 to the investigation.

**‘(6)** To the extent the direction applies all or stated provisions of part 6, the part or stated provisions apply to the investigation.’.

Debate ensued.

Question – That Mr Hamill's amendment be agreed to – put and agreed to.

Clauses 4 to 41 agreed to.

Clause 42 (*Insertion of new pt 6A*)—

The following amendments were proposed by Mr Hamill—

At page 82, lines 5 and 6, ‘other than an official person’—

*omit.*

At page 82, lines 9 to 15—

*omit.*

Debate ensued.

Question – That Mr Hamill's amendments be agreed to – put and agreed to.

Clause 42, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 43 to 48 agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Bill to be reported with amendments.

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### *In the House*

Bill reported with amendments.

*Ordered* – That the Bill, as amended, be taken into consideration.

Mr Hamill, by leave, moved – That the Bill be now read a third time.

Bill read a third time and passed.

Title agreed to.

## **20 MENTAL HEALTH BILL**

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Health (Mrs Edmond) – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

*Paper:* Mrs Edmond, during her speech, tabled the following paper—  
Letter, dated 5 June 1995, from Commonwealth Minister for Human Services and Health, Dr Carmen Lawrence, to Honourable J P Elder, MLA.

Debate continued.

Question put and passed.

Bill read a second time.

Bill committed on the motion of Mrs Edmond.

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### *In Committee*

Clauses 1 to 89 agreed to.

Clause 90 (*When custodian is to take custody of patient*)—

The following amendment was proposed by Mrs Edmond—

At page 70, line 21, ‘or imprisonment or’—

*omit, insert—*

‘of imprisonment or period of’.

Debate ensued.

Question – That Mrs Edmond's amendment be agreed to – put and agreed to.

Clause 90, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 91 to 131 agreed to.

Clause 132 (*Particular patients to be accompanied while undertaking limited community treatment*)—

The following amendment was proposed by Miss Simpson—

At page 88, after line 19—

*insert—*

‘(aa) a forensic patient;’.

Debate ensued.

Question put – That Miss Simpson's amendment be agreed to.

The Committee divided.

#### AYES, 38

Baumann\*  
Beanland  
Black  
Borbridge  
Connor  
Cooper  
Cunningham, E  
Davidson

Elliott  
Feldman  
Gamin  
Grice  
Healy  
Hegarty\*  
Hobbs  
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Seeney  
Sheldon

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Wellington

#### NOES, 39

Attwood  
Barton  
Beattie  
Bligh  
Boyle  
Braddy  
Briskey  
Cunningham, J

Edmond  
Elder  
Fenlon  
Foley  
Hamill  
Hayward  
Hollis  
Kaiser

Lavarch  
McGrady  
Mickel  
Miller  
Mulherin  
Musgrove  
Nelson–Carr  
Nuttall

Palaszcuk  
Pearce  
Pitt  
Purcell\*  
Reeves  
Reynolds  
Roberts  
Robertson

Rose  
Schwarten  
Spence  
Struthers  
Sullivan\*  
Welford  
Wilson

Pairs – Messrs Dalglish, Goss, Nelson, Stephan and Veivers (AYES) and  
Mr Bredhauer, Dr Clark, Messrs Lucas, Mackenroth and Wells (NOES)

*\*Tellers*

Question negated.

The following amendment was proposed by Miss Simpson—

At page 88, lines 25 to 27—

*omit, insert—*

‘(2) The administrator of the patient's treating health service must ensure the patient, while undertaking limited community treatment, is accompanied by at least 1 employee of the health service in which the patient is detained.

‘(3) The administrator must decide how many employees are to accompany the patient having regard to the following—

(a) the person's treatment and security requirements;

(b) the seriousness of the offences with which the patient has been charged or for which the patient is serving a sentence of imprisonment or period of detention.’.

Debate ensued.

Question put – That Miss Simpson's amendment be agreed to.

The Committee divided.

#### AYES, 38

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Hamill  
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Kaiser

Lavarch  
McGrady  
Mickel  
Miller  
Mulherin  
Musgrove  
Nelson–Carr  
Nuttall

Palaszcuk  
Pearce  
Pitt  
Purcell\*  
Reeves  
Reynolds  
Roberts  
Robertson

Rose  
Schwarten  
Spence  
Struthers  
Sullivan\*  
Welford  
Wilson

Pairs – Messrs Dalglish, Goss, Nelson, Stephan and Veivers (AYES) and  
Mr Bredhauer, Dr Clark, Messrs Lucas, Mackenroth and Wells (NOES)

\*Tellers

Question negated.

Clause 132, as read, agreed to.

Clauses 133 to 165 agreed to.

Clause 166 (*Transfer orders—other patients*)—

The following amendment was proposed by Mrs Edmond—

At page 100, line 18, '203(2)(c)'—

*omit, insert—*

'203(2)(d)'.

Question – That Mrs Edmond's amendment be agreed to – put and agreed to.

The following amendment was proposed by Miss Simpson—

At page 100, after line 18—

*insert—*

'(4) However, the director must not order the transfer of a patient from a high security unit to an authorised mental health service that is not a high security unit other than on the order of the tribunal.'

Debate ensued.

Question – That Miss Simpson's amendment be agreed to – put and negated.

Clause 166, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 167 to 171 agreed to.

Clause 172 (*Notice of hearing of application*)—

The following amendments were proposed by Mrs Edmond—

At page 103, line 4—

*omit, insert—*

'(a) the parties to the proceeding for the application;'

At page 103, lines 8 and 9—

*omit.*

Debate ensued.

Question – That Mrs Edmond's amendments be agreed to – put and agreed to.

Clause 172, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 173 agreed to.

Clause 174 (*Notice of decision*)—

The following amendments were proposed by Mrs Edmond—

At page 104, line 8, 'patient'—

*omit, insert—*

'parties'.

At page 104, lines 10 and 12, 'the patient'—

*omit, insert—*

'a party'.

At page 104, lines 15 and 16—

*omit, insert—*

'(3) If asked to do so by a party, the tribunal must give the party reasons for the decision.'

At page 104, lines 22 to 25—

*omit, insert—*

'(6) Despite subsections (2) to (4), the tribunal must give written reasons for the decision—

(a) for a forensic patient—to the Attorney-General and director if asked to do so by the Attorney-General or director; or

(b) for another patient—to the director if asked to do so by the director.

'(7) The tribunal must give the Attorney-General or director the reasons for the decision within 7 days after receiving the request from the Attorney-General or director.'

Debate ensued.

Question – That Mrs Edmond's amendments be agreed to – put and agreed to.

Clause 174, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses 175 to 185 agreed to.

Clause 186 (*Absence of particular patients with director's approval*)—

The following amendment was proposed by Miss Simpson—

At page 111, line 15—

*omit, insert—*

'(4) For a classified patient charged with or convicted of an indictable offence or a forensic patient, the approval must be subject to the condition that, during the period of absence, the patient is accompanied by at least 1 employee of the health service in which the patient is detained.

'(5) The director must decide how many employees are to accompany the patient having regard to the following—

- (a) the person's treatment and security requirements;
- (b) the seriousness of the offences leading to the patient becoming a classified or forensic patient.

'(6) The approval may be given on the other conditions the director considers'.

Debate ensued.

Question – That Miss Simpson's amendment be agreed to – put and negatived.

Clause 186, as read, agreed to.

Clauses 187 to 219 agreed to.

Clause 220 (*Patients to whom pt 5 applies*)—

The following amendment was proposed by Miss Simpson—

At page 132, lines 9 to 18—

*omit, insert—*

'220. This part applies to a forensic patient.'

Debate ensued.

Question put – That Miss Simpson's amendment be agreed to.

The Committee divided.

#### AYES, 38

Baumann*	Elliott	Johnson	Paff	Simpson
Beanland	Feldman	Knuth	Pratt	Slack
Black	Gamin	Laming	Prenzl	Springborg
Borbridge	Grice	Lester	Quinn	Turner
Connor	Healy	Lingard	Rowell	Watson
Cooper	Hegarty*	Littleproud	Santoro	Wellington
Cunningham, E	Hobbs	Malone	Seeney	
Davidson	Horan	Mitchell	Sheldon	

#### NOES, 39

Attwood	Edmond	Lavarch	Nuttall	Rose
Barton	Elder	Lucas	Palaszczuk	Schwarzen
Beattie	Fenlon	McGrady	Pearce	Spence
Bligh	Foley	Mickel	Purcell*	Struthers
Boyle	Hamill	Miller	Reeves	Sullivan*
Braddy	Hayward	Mulherin	Reynolds	Welford
Briskey	Hollis	Musgrove	Roberts	Wilson
Cunningham, J	Kaiser	Nelson-Carr	Robertson	

Pairs – Messrs Dalglish, Goss, Nelson, Stephan and Veivers (AYES) and Mr Bredhauer, Dr Clark, Messrs Mackenroth, Pitt and Wells (NOES)

\*Tellers

Question negatived.

Clause 220, as read, agreed to.

*Ordered* – To report progress and ask leave to sit again.

#### *In the House*

*Reported* – That the Committee had considered the Bill, made progress, and asked leave to sit again.

*Ordered* – That further consideration of the Bill in Committee of the Whole House be made an order of the day for tomorrow.

## 21 NOTICE OF MOTION – CENSURE OF MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND MINISTER FOR HOUSING

Leader of the Opposition (Mr Borbidge), pursuant to notice, moved – That this House censures the Minister for Public Works and Housing for his assault on Mr Craig Brown, the husband of the Federal Labor Member for Capricornia.

Debate ensued.

The following amendment was proposed by Premier (Mr Beattie)—

Omit all words after 'That this House' and insert the following—

'censures the Opposition for bringing Parliament into disrepute today by including in its questions baseless allegations and innuendo, naming people who had nothing to do with the matter and behaving in an unparliamentary manner.'

Debate ensued.

*Member named:* And Mr Cooper, after warning, continuing to disregard the authority of the Chair, under the provisions of Standing Order 124, Mr Speaker then named the Member.

*Member suspended:* Whereupon the Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development and Minister for Trade (Mr Elder) moved – That the Member for Crows Nest (Mr Cooper) be suspended from the service of the House for 7 days.

Question put.

The House divided.

### AYES, 40

Attwood  
Barton  
Beattie  
Bligh  
Braddy  
Briskey  
Cunningham, J  
Edmond

Elder  
Fenlon  
Foley  
Fouras  
Hamill  
Hayward  
Kaiser  
Lavarch

Lucas  
Mackenroth  
McGrady  
Mickel  
Miller  
Mulherin  
Musgrove  
Nelson–Carr

Nuttall  
Palaszcuk  
Pearce  
Purcell\*  
Reeves  
Reynolds  
Roberts  
Robertson

Rose  
Schwarten  
Spence  
Struthers  
Sullivan\*  
Welford  
Wellington  
Wilson

### NOES, 37

Baumann\*  
Beanland  
Black  
Borbidge  
Connor  
Cooper  
Cunningham, E  
Davidson

Elliott  
Feldman  
Gamin  
Grice  
Healy  
Hegarty\*  
Hobbs  
Horan

Johnson  
Knuth  
Laming  
Lester  
Lingard  
Littleproud  
Malone  
Mitchell

Paff  
Pratt  
Prenzler  
Quinn  
Rowell  
Santoro  
Seeney  
Sheldon

Simpson  
Slack  
Springborg  
Turner  
Watson

Pairs – Ms Boyle, Mr Bredhauer, Dr Clark, Messrs Pitt and Wells (AYES) and  
Messrs Dalgleish, Goss, Nelson, Stephan and Veivers (NOES)

*\*Tellers*

Question agreed to.

Whereupon Mr Cooper withdrew from the Chamber.

Question put – That Mr Beattie's amendment be agreed to.

The House divided.

### AYES, 40

Attwood  
Barton  
Beattie  
Bligh  
Braddy  
Briskey  
Cunningham, J  
Edmond

Elder  
Fenlon  
Foley  
Fouras  
Hamill  
Hayward  
Kaiser  
Lavarch

Lucas  
Mackenroth  
McGrady  
Mickel  
Miller  
Mulherin  
Musgrove  
Nelson–Carr

Nuttall  
Palaszcuk  
Pearce  
Purcell\*  
Reeves  
Reynolds  
Roberts  
Robertson

Rose  
Schwarten  
Spence  
Struthers  
Sullivan\*  
Welford  
Wellington  
Wilson

## NOES, 36

Baumann*	Feldman	Knuth	Pratt	Slack
Beanland	Gamin	Laming	Prenzler	Springborg
Black	Grice	Lester	Quinn	Turner
Borbridge	Healy	Lingard	Rowell	Watson
Connor	Hegarty*	Littleproud	Santoro	
Cunningham, E	Hobbs	Malone	Seeney	
Davidson	Horan	Mitchell	Sheldon	
Elliott	Johnson	Paff	Simpson	

Pairs – Ms Boyle, Mr Bredhauer, Dr Clark, Messrs Pitt and Wells (AYES) and Messrs Dalgleish, Goss, Nelson, Stephan and Veivers (NOES)

*\*Tellers*

Question agreed to.

Question put – That the motion, as amended, be agreed to.

The House divided.

## AYES, 40

Attwood	Elder	Lucas	Nuttall	Rose
Barton	Fenlon	Mackenroth	Palaszczuk	Schwarten
Beattie	Foley	McGrady	Pearce	Spence
Bligh	Fouras	Mickel	Purcell*	Struthers
Braddy	Hamill	Miller	Reeves	Sullivan*
Briskey	Hayward	Mulherin	Reynolds	Welford
Cunningham, J	Kaiser	Musgrove	Roberts	Wellington
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*\*Tellers*

Question agreed to.

## 22 GRIEVANCE DEBATE

Grievances were debated.

*Papers:* Mr Laming, during his speech, tabled the following papers—  
Various letters and documents relating to Access Queensland Pty Ltd

Grievances continued.

*Papers:* Mr Knuth, by leave, during his speech, tabled the following papers—  
Speech and documents regarding hymenachne and aleman grass  
Information Brochure – Aquatic Weed Harvester Australia Pty Ltd – Mechanical  
Water Weed Removal

Grievances continued.

Grievance concluded.

## 23 SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Minister for Health (Mrs Edmond) moved – That the House at its rising do adjourn until 9.30 am on Tuesday, 30 May 2000.

Question put and agreed to.

## 24 ADJOURNMENT

Minister for Health (Mrs Edmond) moved – That this House do now adjourn.

Question agreed to.

The House adjourned at 7.31pm.

**25 ATTENDANCE**

The following Members were present—

Attwood	Davidson	Kaiser	Nelson–Carr	Schwarten
Barton	Edmond	Kingston	Nuttall	Seeney
Baumann	Elder	Knuth	Paff	Sheldon
Beanland	Elliott	Laming	Palaszczuk	Simpson
Beattie	Feldman	Lavarch	Pearce	Slack
Black	Fenlon	Lester	Pitt	Spence
Bligh	Foley	Lingard	Pratt	Springborg
Borbidge	Fouras	Littleproud	Prenzier	Stephan
Boyle	Gamin	Lucas	Purcell	Struthers
Braddy	Grice	Mackenroth	Quinn	Sullivan
Briskey	Hamill	Malone	Reeves	Turner
Clark	Hayward	McGrady	Reynolds	Veivers
Connor	Healy	Mickel	Roberts	Watson
Cooper	Hegarty	Miller	Robertson	Welford
Cunningham, E	Hobbs	Mitchell	Rose	Wellington
Cunningham, J	Horan	Mulherin	Rowell	Wells
Dagleish	Johnson	Musgrove	Santoro	Wilson

**R K HOLLIS**  
Speaker

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