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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 PETITIONS**

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

Mr Davidson, from 1132 petitioners, requesting the House to (a) ensure that the result of the investigation undertaken by the administrators of the Cooroy Private Hospital Ltd be made public to the electorate of Noosa, (b) disclose the alliance between Manchester Unity and Cooroy Private Hospital, if no financial input could be made by Manchester Unity then why was the company represented on the hospitals' board and (c) support the retrenched employees' in their bid to gain their financial reimbursement from the Employees, Entitlement Supports Scheme.

Mr Knuth, from 386 petitioners, requesting the House to (a) refuse the applications of Koppen Investments Pty Ltd and Gregorio Pelligrini for adult entertainment permits and (b) repeal in its entirety the amendments to the *Liquor Act 1992* contained in Part 9 of the *Prostitution Act 1999*.

**3 MINISTERIAL PAPERS**

The following papers were tabled—

*Minister for Communication and Information, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Sport (Mr Mackenroth)—*

Report on the Development Application at Goodsell Road, Cape Cleveland, via Townsville (Townsville City Council) called in by the Minister for Communication and Information, Local Government, Planning and Sport on 13 January 2000 pursuant to section 3.5.6 of the *Integrated Planning Act 1997*

Report on the Development Application at Cape Cleveland Road, Cape Cleveland, via Townsville (Townsville City Council) called in by the Minister for Communication and Information, Local Government, Planning and Sport on 16 December 1999 pursuant to section 3.5.6 of the *Integrated Planning Act 1997*

**4 MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS**

- (a) Premier (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Olympic Bonus Grant for Queensland olympic athletes.

*Paper:* Mr Beattie, during his statement, tabled the following paper—  
Press Release from Premier's Department entitled "Qld Government Rewards Olympic Athletes"

- (b) Premier (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the impact of the GST on tourism.
- (c) Minister for Mines and Energy and Minister Assisting the Deputy Premier on Regional Development (Mr McGrady), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Cleaner Energy Strategy.
- (d) Minister for Transport and Minister for Main Roads (Mr Bredhauer), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the retirement of Mr Vince O'Rourke, Chief Executive of Queensland Rail.
- (e) Minister for Families, Youth and Community Care and Minister for Disability Services (Ms Bligh), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to appointments to the Board of the Forde Foundation trust fund.
- (f) Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities (Mr Palaszczuk), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Iwate Cooperative.
- (g) Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development and Minister for Trade (Mr Elder), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the delivery of assistance to Childers' businesses affected by the recent backpackers hostel fire.

## 5 MINISTERIAL REPORT AND PAPER

Minister for Environment and Heritage and Minister for Natural Resources (Mr Welford) reported on the participation of Queensland in the Australian delegation to the Eighth Session of the United Nations Commission for Sustainable Development.

*Paper:* Mr Welford, during his speech, tabled the following paper—  
Report on attendance at the 8th Session of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development, New York – 25 April to 5 May 2000

## 6 SUSPENSION OF STANDING AND SESSIONAL ORDERS – HOURS AND ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR 20 AND 21 JULY

Leader of the House (Mr Mackenroth), by leave, moved – That notwithstanding anything contained in the Standing and Sessional Orders, for this day's sitting, the House can continue to meet past 7.30pm.

Private Members' motions will be debated between 6 and 7pm.

The House can then break for dinner and resume its sitting at 8.30pm.

Government Business will take precedence for the remainder of the days sitting.

Further, that tomorrow, the House will meet for the dispatch of business at 9.30am on which day the routine of business shall be as follows—

*9.30am to 10.30am—*

- Prayers
- Messages from the Governor
- Matters of Privilege
- Speakers Statements
- Motions of Condolence
- Petitions
- Notification and tabling of papers by The Clerk
- Ministerial Papers
- Ministerial Statements
- Ministerial Notices of Motion
- Any other Government Business
- Personal Explanations
- Reports
- Question Time

*10.30am to Adjournment of the House—*

- Government Business

Question put and agreed to.

## 7 NOTICE OF MOTION

## 8 PRIVATE MEMBERS' STATEMENTS

Private Members' statements were made.

*Paper:* Ms Boyle, during her statement, tabled the following paper—  
Media release entitled "Far North Youth Olympic Deals"

Statements continued.

Statements concluded.

## 9 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Questions without notice were asked.

*Papers:* Premier (Mr Beattie) tabled the following papers—  
Schedule of towns under 4,000  
Article from *Cairns Post* dated 5 July 2000 entitled "We're not dying"

Questions continued.

*Paper:* Treasurer (Mr Hamill) tabled the following paper—  
News Release by Standard and Poors entitled "Qld Budget strong despite borrowings"

Questions continued.  
Questions concluded.

# **10 APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL AND APPROPRIATION 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.

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*Distinguished visitors:* Mr Speaker informed the House of the presence in the Gallery of the Honourable Jeyaraj Fernandopulle, Sri Lankan Minister for Plan Implementation and Parliamentary Affairs, and his study tour delegation.

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Debate continued.  
Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr Cooper.  
*Ordered* – That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for tomorrow.

# **11 NOTICE OF MOTION – UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**

Leader of the Opposition (Mr Borbidge), pursuant to notice, moved – That this House notes that Queensland has the second highest unemployment rate in mainland Australia and condemns the Beattie Government for its anti-jobs workplace relations policies and its continued failure to deliver on the Premier's blatantly opportunistic and cynical commitment of a 5% unemployment rate.  
Debate ensued.

The following amendment was proposed by Premier (Mr Beattie)—  
Delete all words after 'House' and insert the following—  
'applauds the Queensland Government's ongoing commitment to job creation and job security, demonstrated by—  
1. employment growth of 82,700 jobs in the past two years;  
2. a reduction in the unemployment trend from 8.7% to 7.8%;  
3. its strong commitment to Break the Unemployment Cycle for long term jobless and the young;  
4. continued success in attracting international investors to establish operations in this State, such as Virgin Blue, Boeing, Bechtel and Red Hat;  
5. implementing a capital infrastructure program in excess of \$15 billion, accounting for around one-third of all capital works undertaken by all State and Territory Governments around the nation in recent years; and  
6. active pursuit of private investment in major projects such as the Milmerran Coal Mine and power station, the PNG Gas Pipeline, Swanbank E gas-fired power station, the Comalco Alumina Refinery, Australian Magnesium plant at Stanwell, Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal and Airtrain Citylink.'

Debate ensued.  
Question put – That Mr Beattie's amendment be agreed to.  
The House divided.

AYES, 43

Attwood  
Barton  
Beattie  
Bligh  
Boyle  
Braddy  
Bredhauer  
Clark  
Cunningham, E

Cunningham, J  
Edmond  
Elder  
Fenlon  
Foley  
Fouras  
Hamill  
Hayward  
Kaiser

Lavarch  
Lucas  
Mackenroth  
McGrady  
Mickel  
Miller  
Mulherin  
Musgrove  
Nelson–Carr

Nuttall  
Palaszczyk  
Pearce  
Pitt  
Purcell\*  
Reeves  
Reynolds  
Roberts  
Robertson

Rose  
Struthers  
Sullivan\*  
Welford  
Wellington  
Wells  
Wilson

## NOES, 39

Baumann*	Elliott	Kingston	Nelson	Sheldon
Beanland	Feldman	Knuth	Paff	Simpson
Black	Goss	Laming	Pratt	Slack
Borbidge	Healy	Lester	Prenzler	Springborg
Connor	Hegarty*	Lingard	Quinn	Stephan
Cooper	Hobbs	Littleproud	Rowell	Turner
Dalglish	Horan	Malone	Santoro	Watson
Davidson	Johnson	Mitchell	Seeney	

Pairs – Messrs Briskey and Schwarten and Ms Spence (AYES) and Mrs Gamin, Messrs Grice and Veivers (NOES)

\*Tellers

Question agreed to.

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

The House divided.

## AYES, 43

Attwood	Cunningham, J	Lavarch	Nuttall	Rose
Barton	Edmond	Lucas	Palaszczuk	Struthers
Beattie	Elder	Mackenroth	Pearce	Sullivan*
Bligh	Fenlon	McGrady	Pitt	Welford
Boyle	Foley	Mickel	Purcell*	Wellington
Braddy	Fouras	Miller	Reeves	Wells
Bredhauer	Hamill	Mulherin	Reynolds	Wilson
Clark	Hayward	Musgrove	Roberts	
Cunningham, E	Kaiser	Nelson–Carr	Robertson	

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Question agreed to.

## 12 APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL AND APPROPRIATION 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.

*And the House having continued to sit till 12 midnight—*

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Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr Johnson.

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

## 13 ADJOURNMENT

Leader of the House (Mr Mackenroth) moved – That this House do now adjourn.

Question agreed to.

The House adjourned at 1.35am.

**14 ATTENDANCE**

The following Members were present—

Attwood	Davidson	Kaiser	Nelson	Santoro
Barton	Edmond	Kingston	Nelson—Carr	Schwarten
Baumann	Elder	Knuth	Nuttall	Seeney
Beanland	Elliott	Laming	Paff	Sheldon
Beattie	Feldman	Lavarch	Palaszczyk	Simpson
Black	Fenlon	Lester	Pearce	Slack
Bligh	Foley	Lingard	Pitt	Springborg
Borbidge	Fouras	Littleproud	Pratt	Stephan
Boyle	Gamin	Lucas	Prenzler	Struthers
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Bredhauer	Hamill	Malone	Quinn	Turner
Clark	Hayward	McGrady	Reeves	Watson
Connor	Healy	Mickel	Reynolds	Welford
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Cunningham, J	Horan	Mulherin	Rose	Wilson
Dalglish	Johnson	Musgrove	Rowell	

**R K HOLLIS**  
Speaker

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