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**1 MEETING OF THE ASSEMBLY**

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

**2 [MATTER OF PRIVILEGE](#)** (Hansard p.3921, 9.31am)

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) rose on a matter of privilege.

**3 AUDITOR-GENERAL – REPORT**

Mr Speaker reported that he had received the following report—

*Auditor-General—*

Audit Report No. 2 2002-2003 – Results of Audits Performed as at 31 July 2002 incorporating a Governance and Risk Management Review of Government Owned Corporations and Local Governments

**4 CRIME AND MISCONDUCT COMMISSION – REPORT**

Mr Speaker reported that he had received the following report—

*Crime and Misconduct Commission—*

Report entitled *Forensics Under the Microscope*

**5 PETITIONS**

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

Mrs C Scott, from 88 petitioners, requesting the House take the appropriate steps necessary to ensure that years 11/12 be included in the School of Distance Education curriculum and that this initiative is adopted by the Education Department.

Mrs C Scott, from 10 petitioners, requesting the House to take the appropriate steps necessary to ensure a new police station and residence is built in Ravenswood at the earliest possible opportunity. Also your petitioners wish to ensure that a Ravenswood police station be administered from within the Charters Towers Police District.

Mrs C Scott, from 173 petitioners, requesting the House take the appropriate steps necessary to ensure a new bridge is built over the Copperfield River at Einasleigh and that the necessary repairs to the rail line are carried out as a matter of urgency.

Mrs Pratt, from 115 petitioners, requesting the House to amend the laws to ensure each 'alleged dangerous dog' is assessed on its individual merits, by an animal behaviour expert, for example, Dr Cam Day and not by appearance alone. Further, that animals falling into this category are housed humanely at the nearest RSPCA in lieu of using council dog pound facilities, where contact with humans is so poor and so limited, during any litigation.

**6 MINISTERIAL PAPER TABLED BY THE ACTING CLERK**

The Acting Clerk tabled the following ministerial paper—

*Minister for Tourism and Racing and Minister for Fair Trading (Ms Rose)—*  
Queensland Building Tribunal – Annual Report 2001-02

**7 [MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS](#)** (Hansard p.3922, 9.34am)

(a) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the sessional orders for the internet broadcasting of parliamentary proceedings.

(b) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to reef fish and the Great Barrier Reef.

*Paper:* Mr Beattie, during his statement, tabled the following paper—

Queensland Fisheries Service – *Coral Reef Fin Fish Fishery – Response Form October 2002*

- (c) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to Australian Airlines.
- (d) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to *Creative Queensland – The Queensland Government Cultural Policy 2002*.
- (e) Minister for Education (Ms Bligh), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to teaching recruitment advertisements.
- (f) Minister for Employment, Training and Youth and Minister for the Arts (Mr Foley), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to *Creative Queensland – The Queensland Government Cultural Policy 2002*.

*Papers:* Mr Foley, during his statement, tabled the following papers—

*Creative Queensland – The Queensland Government Cultural Policy 2002*

*Creative Government – Arts and Cultural Activity across the Queensland Government*

- (g) Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Premier on Women's Policy (Mrs Edmond), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Queensland Institute of Medical Research Awards.
- (h) Minister for State Development (Mr Barton), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to State support for the sugar industry and the Sugar Innovation Fund.
- (i) Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister Assisting the Premier on the Carpentaria Minerals Province (Mr McGrady), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the latest motor vehicle theft statistics.

*Paper:* Mr McGrady, during his statement, tabled the following paper—

Media Release, dated 23 October 2002, by the Crime and Misconduct Commission entitled *Closer Collaboration Needed on Forensic Services – Says CMC*

- (j) Minister for Families and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Minister for Disability Services (Ms Spence), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the deaths of Yarrabah community elder, Councillor Lloyd Fourmile and Kuranda elder, Mr Lance Riley.
- (k) Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities (Mr Palaszczyk), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the drought and an ecumenical service at St John's Cathedral to pray for rain.
- (l) Minister for Tourism and Racing and Minister for Fair Trading (Ms Rose), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to eco-tourism.

*Paper:* Ms Rose, by leave, during her statement, tabled the following paper—

Queensland Ecotourism Plan 2003–2008 – Sustainable Tourism in Queensland's Natural Areas

- (m) Minister for Industrial Relations (Mr Nuttall), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to tractor rollover fatalities in Queensland.
- (n) Minister for Innovation and Information Economy (Mr Lucas), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to home computer usage.

*Paper:* Mr Lucas, during his statement, tabled the following paper—

Department of Innovation and Information Economy publication entitled *Bridging the Digital Divide: May 2002 Queensland Household Survey – Computer and Internet Usage*

## 8 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE – CARE OF TERMINALLY-ILL PATIENTS BILL

Leader of the House (Ms Bligh), by leave, moved – That General Business Order of the Day No. 1, Care of Terminally-Ill Patients Bill, be postponed until a further Resolution of the House.  
Question put and agreed to.

**9 MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE – BROADCAST OF PARLIAMENT**

Leader of the House (Ms Bligh), by leave, moved – That—

- (1) The House authorise the publication and broadcast over the internet of the audio of its proceedings.
- (2) Where possible, the broadcast of the audio is to be accompanied by an indication of the member speaking and a description of the subject of debate.
- (3) That the Speaker and The Clerk be authorised to do all things necessary in order to give effect to these orders.

Question put and agreed to.

**10 REPORT**

The following report was tabled—

*Dr Watson—*

Report by Dr D Watson, MP and Dr L Clark, MP on overseas trip to the 48th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference in Namibia – September 2002

**11 NOTICE OF MOTION** (Hansard p.3932, 10.21am)**12 NOTICE OF MOTION – DISALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY INSTRUMENT****13 PRIVATE MEMBERS' STATEMENTS** (Hansard p.3933, 10.22am)

Private Members' Statements were made.

**14 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE** (Hansard p.3934, 10.30am)

Questions without notice were asked.

*Paper:* Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) tabled the following paper—

Answer to question relating to the promotion of indigenous art in overseas markets

Questions continued.

Questions concluded.

**15 MATTER OF PRIVILEGE** (Hansard p.3946, 11.30am)

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) rose on a matter of privilege.

**16 CHILD CARE BILL** (Hansard p.3946, 11.30am)

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Families and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Minister for Disability Services (Ms Spence) – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned on the motion of Ms Keech.

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

**17 NOTICE OF MOTION – DROUGHT AND FIRE RISK** (Hansard p.3996, 5.57pm)

Mrs Pratt, pursuant to notice, moved – That in light of the prolonged drought and subsequent critical fire risk, that this Government ensure that land under its control has adequate fire breaks, and that access roads used by fire fighters are clear of debris including overhanging limbs to provide maximum protection for fire fighting personnel volunteers and civilians and further, that government review the scope of equipment available for firefighting.

Debate ensued.

The following amendment was proposed by Minister for Emergency Services and Minister Assisting the Premier in North Queensland (Mr Reynolds)—

*Omit* all words after 'That' and *insert* the following—

'This House commends the Beattie Government for the proactive way in which it has prepared for the forthcoming fire season including the provision of specific support funding

for volunteer rural firefighters and SES volunteers, the ongoing work of the Inter-departmental Committee on Bushfire Management, the good work being done across Queensland by the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service, particularly its Rural Fire Service staff and volunteers in undertaking, across the State, systemized hazard reduction burning to reduce fuel loads. This House also recognises that Queensland's firefighters are better prepared than ever before to meet the bushfire threat, with urban and rural fire stations having recently taken delivery of dozens of new firefighting vehicles.'

Debate ensued.

Question put – That Mr Reynolds' amendment be agreed to.

The House divided.

AYES 51—

<i>Attwood</i>	<i>Cummins</i>	<i>Lavarch</i>	<i>Nolan</i>	<i>Roberts, N</i>	<i>Struthers</i>
<i>Bligh</i>	<i>Cunningham, J</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Nuttall</i>	<i>Rodgers</i>	<i>Sullivan, C</i>
<i>Boyle</i>	<i>Edmond</i>	<i>Livingstone</i>	<i>Pearce</i>	<i>Rose</i>	<i>Sullivan, T *</i>
<i>Bredhauer</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>McGrady</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Schwarten</i>	<i>Welford</i>
<i>Briskey</i>	<i>Fenlon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Pitt</i>	<i>Scott, C</i>	<i>Wells</i>
<i>Choi</i>	<i>Foley</i>	<i>Miller</i>	<i>Poole</i>	<i>Smith</i>	<i>Wilson</i>
<i>Clark, E</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Molloy</i>	<i>Purcell *</i>	<i>Spence</i>	
<i>Clark, L</i>	<i>Jarratt</i>	<i>Mulherin</i>	<i>Reilly</i>	<i>Stone</i>	
<i>Croft</i>	<i>Keech</i>	<i>Nelson–Carr</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>	<i>Strong</i>	

NOES 20—

<i>Bell</i>	<i>Hobbs</i>	<i>Lee Long</i>	<i>Pratt</i>	<i>Sheldon</i>
<i>Copeland</i>	<i>Hopper</i>	<i>Lester *</i>	<i>Quinn</i>	<i>Simpson</i>
<i>Cunningham, E</i>	<i>Johnson</i>	<i>Lingard</i>	<i>Roberts, E</i>	<i>Springborg *</i>
<i>Flynn</i>	<i>Kingston</i>	<i>Malone</i>	<i>Rowell</i>	<i>Watson</i>

\* Tellers

Question agreed to.

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

The House divided.

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<i>Boyle</i>	<i>Edmond</i>	<i>Livingstone</i>	<i>Pearce</i>	<i>Rose</i>	<i>Sullivan, T *</i>
<i>Bredhauer</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>McGrady</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Schwarten</i>	<i>Welford</i>
<i>Briskey</i>	<i>Fenlon</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Pitt</i>	<i>Scott, C</i>	<i>Wells</i>
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<i>Flynn</i>	<i>Kingston</i>	<i>Malone</i>	<i>Rowell</i>	<i>Watson</i>

\* Tellers

Question agreed to.

## 18 **ADJOURNMENT** (Hansard p.4007, 7.06pm)

Leader of the House (Ms Bligh) moved – That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Question put and agreed to.

The House adjourned at 7.37pm.

**19 ATTENDANCE**

The following members were present—

<i>Attwood</i>	<i>Cunningham, E</i>	<i>Kingston</i>	<i>Miller</i>	<i>Reilly</i>	<i>Smith</i>
<i>Barry</i>	<i>Cunningham, J</i>	<i>Lavarch</i>	<i>Molloy</i>	<i>Reynolds</i>	<i>Spence</i>
<i>Barton</i>	<i>Edmond</i>	<i>Lawlor</i>	<i>Mulherin</i>	<i>Roberts, E</i>	<i>Springborg</i>
<i>Beattie</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Lee</i>	<i>Nelson–Carr</i>	<i>Roberts, N</i>	<i>Stone</i>
<i>Bell</i>	<i>Fenlon</i>	<i>Lee Long</i>	<i>Nolan</i>	<i>Robertson</i>	<i>Strong</i>
<i>Bligh</i>	<i>Flynn</i>	<i>Lester</i>	<i>Nuttall</i>	<i>Rodgers</i>	<i>Struthers</i>
<i>Boyle</i>	<i>Foley</i>	<i>Lingard</i>	<i>Palaszcuk</i>	<i>Rose</i>	<i>Sullivan, C</i>
<i>Bredhauer</i>	<i>Fouras</i>	<i>Livingstone</i>	<i>Pearce</i>	<i>Rowell</i>	<i>Sullivan, T</i>
<i>Briskey</i>	<i>Hayward</i>	<i>Lucas</i>	<i>Phillips</i>	<i>Schwarten</i>	<i>Watson</i>
<i>Choi</i>	<i>Hobbs</i>	<i>Mackenroth</i>	<i>Pitt</i>	<i>Scott, C</i>	<i>Welford</i>
<i>Clark, E</i>	<i>Hopper</i>	<i>Male</i>	<i>Poole</i>	<i>Scott, D</i>	<i>Wellington</i>
<i>Clark, L</i>	<i>Horan</i>	<i>Malone</i>	<i>Pratt</i>	<i>Seeney</i>	<i>Wells</i>
<i>Copeland</i>	<i>Jarratt</i>	<i>McGrady</i>	<i>Purcell</i>	<i>Sheldon</i>	<i>Wilson</i>
<i>Croft</i>	<i>Johnson</i>	<i>McNamara</i>	<i>Quinn</i>	<i>Shine</i>	
<i>Cummins</i>	<i>Keech</i>	<i>Mickel</i>	<i>Reeves</i>	<i>Simpson</i>	

**R K HOLLIS**  
**SPEAKER**

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