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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 PETITIONS
The following paper petitions, lodged with the Clerk by the Members indicated, were received—
Ms D Scott from 47 petitioners requesting the House to retain the Police Beat at Logan Central Plaza or as a compromise relocate the Police Beat but retain a Police Shop Front with at least one officer at Logan Central Plaza.
Ms Nelson-Carr from 169 petitioners requesting the House to review the availability of and make available an adequate supply of Acoustic Testing Machines for new born babies in the State of Queensland and in particular in the Townsville/Thuringowa region with staffing, to all State-run hospitals as a matter of urgency.
Mr Wells from 923 petitioners requesting the House to request the Deception Bay Police take immediate action to restrict the speed and noise of traffic in the residential area of Moreton Downs Drive.
Mr Wells from 923 petitioners requesting the House to: prohibit the establishment of a nuclear irradiation facility or X-Ray or Electron beam facility at any location in Queensland; ban the import, export and sale of irradiated food in Queensland; call on the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Council (ANZFSC) and the Australia New Zealand Food Authority (ANZFA) to amend Standards A-17 and 1.5.3 – Irradiation of Foods in the Food Standards Code to ban food irradiation outright in Australia and New Zealand.
Mr Lucas from 2,457 petitioners requesting the House to: not approve any residential or multi-level development of the reclaimed Manly Boat Harbour precinct; halt any sale of this precinct; maintain it in the current state for boating and parklands for use of the general public; ensure that the existing mangrove stand to the south of the harbour area and the adjoining reclaimed foreshore be protected and given to the people as enduring parkland.
Mrs Sullivan from 512 petitioners requesting the House to consider a Police Beat be established in the area of the townships of Toorbul, Donnybrook and Meldale as a matter of urgency.
Mr Seeney from 595 petitioners requesting the House to rescind the amendments to the Vegetation Management Act 1999 and the Land Act 1994 and commission an open and independent review of the State’s vegetation management laws.
Mr Malone, 3 petitions, from 1,196 petitioners in total, requesting the House to take the necessary measures to provide residents in the localities situated west of Mackay along the Peak Downs Highway and the Pioneer Valley with access to a timely and reliable ambulance service which eliminates the need for any further health or safety risks to the sick or injured.
Mr Quinn from 2,086 petitioners requesting that the House reinstate the care funding for Perry Cross to be of the same value and include the same services as the past package which cost $270,000.
Mr Quinn from 290 petitioners requesting the House amend the existing ineffective legislation so as to prevent the soliciting of street based sex workers for the purpose of prostitution, and the loitering of their pimps, in residential areas and to provide police with the necessary human and material resources to implement such laws when enacted.
Ms C Scott from 95 petitioners requesting the Minister for Natural Resources and Mines and all other relevant Ministers to take the appropriate steps necessary to ensure the stock route/road leading from Cusack Road to the Burdekin River, near Charters Towers is reopened and access to our river restored.

3 MINISTERIAL PAPERS TABLED BY THE CLERK
The following ministerial papers were tabled by The Clerk—
(a) Minister for State Development (Mr Barton)—
     Explanatory Notes for amendments to be moved in committee by the Honourable Tom Barton, MP to the Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition (Queensland) Bill 2003
(b) **Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister Assisting the Premier on the Carpentaria Minerals Province (Mr McGrady)**—
National Crime Authority – Annual Report 2001-02
Letter, dated 24 April 2003, from the Federal Minister for Justice and Customs (Hon. C Ellison) to the Secretary, Inter-Governmental Committee on the National Crime Authority (Dr Peter Dahler) regarding the National Crime Authority Annual Report 2001-02

(c) **Minister for Tourism and Racing and Minister for Fair Trading (Ms Rose)**—
Guidelines for the Classification of Films and Computer Games under the Classification (Publications, Films and Computer Games) Act 1995 (Commonwealth)

## 4 MINISTERIAL PAPERS

The following ministerial papers were tabled—

**Minister for Local Government and Planning (Mrs J Cunningham)**—
In accordance with section 78 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, a copy of a reference to Electoral Commissioner of Queensland relating to the division of the Area of the Shire of Bowen Shire for the 2004 local government elections

## 5 MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS (Hansard p. 3004, 9.36am)

(a) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to Science in Parliament 2003.

*Papers:* Mr Beattie, during his statement, tabled the following papers—
- Program for Science in Parliament 2003
- Prospectus entitled *Queensland the Smart State, investing in Science, Research and Innovation*
- Joint ministerial statement, dated 20 August 2003
- Copy of Article from Financial Review, dated 20 August 2003, entitled *Biotech firms need support*

(b) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to ethanol.

(c) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the death of Mr R Whitrod.

(d) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the sugar industry.

(e) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Paroo River Agreement.

(f) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to tree clearing.

(g) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the swearing in of the Governor.

(h) Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Sport (Mr Mackenroth) made a ministerial statement relating to the Rugby World Cup and the Lexmark Indy 300.

(i) Minister for Education (Ms Bligh) made a ministerial statement relating to science education.
Paper: Ms Bligh, during her statement, tabled the following paper—
Document entitled Science State Smart State - Spotlight on Science

(j) Minister for Innovation and Information Economy (Mr Lucas) made a ministerial statement relating to science and technology.

Paper: Mr Lucas, during his statement, tabled the following paper—
Report on official visit to the United States of America from 17 to 27 June 2003

(k) Minister for State Development (Mr Barton) made a ministerial statement relating to ethanol and reform of the sugar industry.

(l) Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities (Mr Palaszczuk) made a ministerial statement relating to Science in Parliament 2003 and reform of the sugar industry.

(m) Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Premier on Women’s Policy (Mrs Edmond) made a ministerial statement relating to the Australian Health Care Summit.

Paper: Mrs Edmond, during her statement, tabled the following paper—
Copy of Australian Health Care Summit Communiqué

(n) Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister Assisting the Premier on the Carpentaria Minerals Province (Mr McGrady) made a ministerial statement relating to Science in Parliament Day and the Du–Mux forensic software system developed by the Queensland Police Service.

(o) Minister for Natural Resources and Minister for Mines (Mr Robertson) made a ministerial statement relating to the impact of salinity on aquatic plants and animals.

(p) Minister for Families and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Minister for Disability Services and Minister for Seniors (Ms Spence) made a ministerial statement relating to reform of the child protection system.

(q) Minister for Local Government and Planning (Mrs J Cunningham) made a ministerial statement relating to Commonwealth funding for Queensland local government.

6 NOTICE OF MOTION – DISALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY INSTRUMENT
Mr Seeney gave notice that he will move – That the Commercial and Consumer Tribunal Regulation 2003 (Subordinate Legislation No. 144 of 2003) tabled in the Parliament on 19 August 2003, be disallowed.

7 NOTICE OF MOTION
Mrs E Cunningham gave notice that she will move – That this House calls for a Royal Commission into the failures of Government to adequately provide protection to children and further that the Royal Commission include in its investigation the identification of systemic failures; areas of abuse including home based care as well as departmental care and failures by the Department of Families to adequately respond to reported abuse.

8 NOTICE OF MOTION – DISALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY INSTRUMENT
Leader of the Opposition (Mr Springborg) gave notice that he will move – That the Recording of Evidence Amendment Regulation (No. 1) 2003 (Subordinate Legislation No. 155 of 2003) tabled in the Parliament on 19 August 2003, be disallowed.

9 PRIVATE MEMBERS’ STATEMENTS (Hansard p. 3017, 10.26am)
Private Members’ statements were made.

10 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (Hansard p. 3018, 10.30am)
Questions without notice were asked.

Speaker’s ruling: Mr Speaker ruled that the question asked by the Leader of the Opposition (Mr Springborg) was out of order.
Questions resumed.

*Paper:* Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) tabled the following paper—
Copy of Australian Health Care Summit Communiqué

Questions continued.

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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.

11 *APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL AND APPROPRIATION BILL*  (Hansard p. 3030, 11.30am)

Bills committed on the motion of Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Sport (Mr Mackenroth).

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**In Committee**

*Appropriation (Parliament) Bill*—
The Temporary Chairman proposed – That Report No. 1 of Estimates Committee A be adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question put and agreed to.
Clauses 1 to 4, as read, agreed to.
Schedule, as read, agreed to.

*Appropriation Bill*—
The Temporary Chairman proposed – That Report No. 2 of Estimates Committee A be adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question put and agreed to.
The Temporary Chairman proposed – That the Report of Estimates Committee B be adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question put and agreed to.
The Temporary Chairman proposed – That the Report of Estimates Committee C be adopted.
Debate ensued.
Question put and agreed to.
The Temporary Chairman proposed – That the Report of Estimates Committee D be adopted.
Debate ensued.

*Paper:* Ms Nelson-Carr, during her speech, tabled the following paper—
Document entitled *Bulk billing rates* showing figures for various Federal electorates and a comparison between March 2000 and March 2003

Debate continued.

*Paper:* Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Premier on Women's Policy (Mrs Edmond), during her speech, tabled the following paper—
Poster by Queensland Health entitled *Emergency departments under pressure as bulk billing declines*

Debate continued.
Question put and agreed to.
Ordered – To report progress and ask leave to sit again.

In the House

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

Ordered – That further consideration of the Bills in Committee of the Whole House be made an order of the day for a later hour of the sitting.

12 NOTICE OF MOTION – ROYAL COMMISSION ON GOVERNMENT’S PROTECTION OF CHILDREN (Hansard p. 3086, 6.04pm)

Mrs E Cunningham, pursuant to notice, moved – That this House calls for a Royal Commission into the failures of Government to adequately provide protection to children and further that the Royal Commission include in its investigation the identification of systemic failures; areas of abuse including home based care as well as departmental care and failures by the Department of Families to adequately respond to reported abuse.

Debate ensued.

The following amendment was proposed by Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie)—

Delete all words after 'House' and insert the following—

• recognises that the Crime and Misconduct Commission has the powers of a Standing Royal Commission to conduct investigations;

• welcomes the current CMC Inquiry into foster care in Queensland; and

• notes that the Government will co-operate fully with the CMC in this inquiry.

Debate ensued.

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

The House divided.

AYES 57—

Attwood
Barry
Barton
Boyle
Bredhauer
Briskey
Choi
Clark, E
Clark, L

Croft
Cummings
Cunningham, J
Edmond
English
Foley, M
Foursas
Heyward
Jarratt

Keech
Lavarch
Lawlor
Lee
Livingstone
Mackenroth
McGrady
McNamara
Mickel

Molloy
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Phillips
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Robertson, N
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Sullivan, C

Sullivan, T *

Tellers

* Question agreed to.

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

Question agreed to.

13 PRE-ELECTION BUDGET HONESTY BILL (Hansard p. 3096, 8.30pm)

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

Debate resumed.

Question put.

The House divided.

AYES 20—

Bell
Copeland
Cunningham, E
Foley, C

Hobbs
Hopper
Horan
Johnson

Lee Long
Lester *
Lingard
Malone

Pratt
Quinn
Roberts, E
Rowell

Seeney
Sheldon
Simpson
Springborg

Watson *

* Tellers

* Question agreed to.

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

Question agreed to.
NOES 56—

Atwood  Croft  Keech  Molloy  Reeves  *  Spence
Barry  Cummins  Lawlor  Mulherin  Roberts  N  Stone
Barton  Cunningham, J  Lee  Nelson–Carr  Robertson  Strong
Bligh  Edmond  Lavarch  Nolan  Rodgers  Struthers
Boyle  English  Livingstone  Palaszczuk  Rose  Sullivan, C
Bredhauer  Fenlon  Lucas  Pearce  Schwarten  Sullivan, T  *
Briskey  Foley, M  Mackenroth  Phillips  Scott  C  
Choi  Fous  McGrady  Pitt  Scott, D  
Clark, E  Haywards  McNamara  Poole  Shine  
Clark, L  Jarratt  Mickel  Purcell  Smith  

* Tellers

Question negatived.

14 SUGAR INDUSTRY AMENDMENT BILL (Hansard p. 3111, 10.06pm)

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Member for Hinchinbrook, (Mr Rowell) – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr C Foley.

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

15 ADJOURNMENT (Hansard p. 3120, 10.58pm)

Minister for Primary Industries and Rural Communities (Mr Palaszczuk) moved – That this House do now adjourn.

Debate ensued.

Paper: Mr Horan, during his speech, tabled the following paper—
Australian Red Cross – Chairman’s Statement

Debate continued.

Papers: Mr Quinn, during his speech, tabled the following papers—
Non-conforming petition from 3,359 signatures relating to changes to double jeopardy
Letters, dated 8 August 2003, from Federal Member for Leichhardt (Mr Entsch) to the Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) relating to the health system, together with enclosures

Debate continued.

Question put and agreed to.

The House adjourned at 11.30pm.

16 ATTENDANCE

The following members were present—

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