VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

NO. 132

WEDNESDAY, 8 OCTOBER 2003

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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.3745, 9.31am)
Minister for Families and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Minister for Disability Services (Ms Spence) rose on a matter of privilege.

3 MATTER OF PRIVILEGE (Hansard p.3745, 9.33am)
Leader of the Opposition (Mr Springborg) rose on a matter of privilege.

Paper: Mr Springborg, during his speech, tabled the following paper—
Document entitled Private Members Statements made in the Queensland Legislative Assembly as at 6 October 2003

4 PETITIONS
The following paper petitions, lodged with the Clerk by the Members indicated, were received—
Mr Wellington from 108 petitioners requesting the House to make provision in the proposed new tenure for Mapleton Forest Reserve to have a Conservation Park strip on the eastern boundary of the forest as per Option 3 presented by QPWS with access for dog walking and horse riding and to ensure that the Conservation Park is intensively managed as it will serve as an important buffer zone between the increasing urban development adjacent to the forest and the proposed National Park.

Mr Welford from 373 petitioners requesting the House to approve and expedite the installation of a safe pedestrian crossing across Dawson Parade, Grovely, Brisbane, preferably south of the level crossing and in accordance with safe road practices for vehicles and pedestrians.

5 MINISTERIAL PAPER TABLED BY THE CLERK
The following ministerial paper was tabled by The Clerk—
Minister for Tourism and Racing and Minister for Fair Trading (Ms Rose)—
Response from the Minister for Tourism and Racing and Minister for Fair Trading (Ms Rose) to a paper petition presented by Mr Speaker from 210 petitioners regarding harness racing at the Redcliffe Peninsula Harness Racing & Sporting Club

6 MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS (Hansard p.3746, 9.37am)
(a) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the 2003 Rugby World Cup and business opportunities for Queensland.
(b) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Queensland Seniors Awards.
(c) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to Crime Prevention Week.
(d) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Queensland Literary Awards.
(e) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the opening of the Foureex Ale House at Milton.
(f) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the premiere of the movie Getting Squared.
(g) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to child welfare and protection.
(h) 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 child protection.
(i) Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Premier on Women's Policy (Mrs Edmond) made a ministerial statement relating to an anti–smoking campaign.

(j) Minister for State Development (Mr Barton) made a ministerial statement relating to the expansion of the Australia Trade Coast industrial precinct.

(k) Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister Assisting the Premier on the Carpentaria Minerals Province (Mr McGrady) made a ministerial statement relating to Crime Prevention Week.

(l) Minister for Transport and Minister for Main Roads (Mr Bredhauer) made a ministerial statement relating to the construction of a building in the air space above Milton rail station.

(m) Minister for Tourism and Racing and Minister for Fair Trading (Ms Rose) made a ministerial statement relating to Gold Coast Schoolies Week 2003.

(n) Minister for Natural Resources and Minister for Mines (Mr Robertson) made a ministerial statement relating to mining tenure and exploration application.

(o) Minister for Industrial Relations (Mr Nuttall) made a ministerial statement relating to electricity safety.

And Mr Lingard, rising on a point of order, moved – That the Minister for Industrial Relations (Mr Nuttall) be not further heard

The House divided.

AYES 18—

* Tellers

Question negatived.

Whereupon Mr Nuttall concluded his ministerial statement.

7 NOTICE OF MOTION

Leader of the Opposition (Mr Springborg) gave notice that he will move – That this House calls on the Premier to impose the same standard on his Minister for Families as he demanded of the former Governor-General and stand the Minister aside pending the outcome of the current CMC Inquiry into her department's handling of child abuse allegations and her failure to protect children in her care.

8 PRIVATE MEMBERS’ STATEMENTS

(Hansard p.3758, 10.27am)

Private Members' statements were made.

9 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

(Hansard p.3759, 10.32am)

Questions without notice were asked.
Papers: Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) tabled the following papers—
Copies of ministerial media statements since 1998 relating to funding to improve children’s welfare and protection
Copies of ministerial media statements issued in 2003 relating to funding for child protection
Document entitled Deaths registered in Queensland, for persons aged under 18 years, by main cause of death (ICD10 Chapter), Years of Registration 1999 to 2001

Questions continued.

Paper: Mr Malone tabled the following paper—
Copy of an Energex electricity account dated 26 September 2003

Questions continued.

Papers: Minister for Health and Minister Assisting the Premier on Women’s Policy (Mrs Edmond) tabled the following papers—
Copy of letters, dated 10 and 19 September 2003, from Dr S Buckland, General Manager, Health Services, Queensland Health to Mr J Whalan, Managing Director, Health Insurance Commission relating to incurred but not reported (IBNR) indemnity contributions
Copy of letter, dated 3 October 2003, from Dr S Buckland, General Manager, Health Services, Queensland Health to Ms J Halton, Secretary, Department of Health and Ageing, Canberra
Copy of fax messages, dated 12 and 22 September 2003, from Christine Brown, Manager, Medical Indemnity, Health Insurance Commission to Dr S Buckland, General Manager, Health Services, Queensland Health relating to IBNR indemnity contributions
Copy of fax message, dated 30 September 2003, from Christine Brown, Manager, Medical Indemnity, Health Insurance Commission to Dr S Buckland, General Manager, Health Services, Queensland Health relating to Exemption 9

Questions continued.

Questions concluded.

10 Matter of Privilege (Hansard p.3770, 11.30am)
Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) rose on a matter of privilege.

Paper: Mr Beattie, during his speech, tabled the following paper—
Newspaper article from The Australian, dated 29 April 2003, entitled Bitter billion-dollar pill for hospitals

11 Youth Participation in Education and Training Bill and Training Reform Bill (Hansard p.3771, 11.32am)
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motions of the Minister for Education (Ms Bligh) and the Minister for Employment, Training and Youth and Minister for the Arts (Mr M Foley) – That the Bills be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Paper: Mr Lingard, during his speech, tabled the following paper—
Yeronga TAFE Community Newsletter dated 4 September 2003

Debate continued.

Matter of Privilege: Minister for Families and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Policy and Minister for Disability Services (Ms Spence) rose on a matter of privilege suddenly arising. (Hansard p.3801, 3.52pm)

Debate resumed.

Paper: Ms Croft, by leave, during her speech, tabled the following paper—
Report by Skilling Australia, dated 26 September 2003, entitled Session three – strategies for repositioning VET
Debate continued.
Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr Mulherin.
Ordered – That the resumption of the debate be made an order of the day for tomorrow.

12 NOTICE OF MOTION – CMC INQUIRY INTO DEPARTMENT OF FAMILIES (Hansard p.3823, 6pm)
Leader of the Opposition (Mr Springborg), pursuant to notice, moved – That this House calls on the Premier to impose the same standard on his Minister for Families as he demanded of the former Governor-General and stand the Minister aside pending the outcome of the current CMC Inquiry into her department’s handling of child abuse allegations and her failure to protect children in her care.
Debate ensued.
The following amendment was proposed by the Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie)—
Delete all words after " and insert the following—
‘congratulates the Premier for imposing the same standards on his Minister for Families as he demanded of the former Governor General and notes that the Minister for Families has delivered unprecedented funding, staffing increases and accountability to Queensland’s child protection system including:
• an additional $188 million over four years
• an additional $7.24 million to support foster carers through new staff to coordinate services and information for carers and undertake recruitment and training; short-term respite services
• increased payments to foster carers and streamlined foster payments systems
• an additional $12 million over four years on new information and technology
• a new 10 person unit to review and assess decisions made at local office level
• delivered 25 new SCAN co-ordinators
• doubled the number of senior staff in the regions
• launched a major community awareness campaign - "Things you need to know"
• delivered new and better training and mandatory professional development for child protection workers, as part of a drive to bolster the protection of Queensland children
• established an independent audit to assess all Queensland foster carers
• established a hotline to receive complaints
• almost doubled the number of front line child protection workers.’
Debate ensued.

Paper: Mr Beattie, during his speech, tabled the following paper—
List of deaths of Families Department-related children
Debate continued.

Paper: Miss Simpson, during her speech, tabled the following paper—
Copy of a document entitled Where we Stand – Royal Australasian College of Physicians Health & Social Policy
Debate continued.

Paper: Mr Lingard, during his speech, tabled the following paper—
Letter, dated 11 September 2003, (unsigned) to the Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), the Leader of the Opposition (Mr Springborg) and others relating to Problems at St Mary's House - Micah Projects
Debate continued.
Question put – That Mr Beattie’s amendment be agreed to.
The House divided.
AYES 60—

Attwood  
Barry  
Barton  
Beattie  
Bligh  
Boyle  
Bredhauer  
Briskey  
Choi  
Clark, E  

Keech  
Croft  
Cummins  
Edmond  
English  
Fenlon  
Foley, M  
Heyward  
Jarratt  

Mickel  
Lavarch  
Lawlor  
Livingstone  
Lucas  
Mackenroth  
Male  
McGrady  
McNamara  

Poole  
Miller  
Molloy  
Nolan  
Nuttall  
Palaszczuk  
Pearce  
Phillips  
Pitt  

Smith  
Spence  
Strong  
Struthers  

NOES 19—

Bell  
Copeland  
Cunningham, E  
Flynn  

Hobbs  
Hopper *  
Horan  
Johnson  

Lee Long  
LINGARD  
Malone  
Pratt  

Quinn  
Roberts, E  
Rowell  
Seeney  

Simpson  
Springborg  
Wells  

* Tellers

Question agreed to.

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

The House divided.

AYES 60—

Attwood  
Barry  
Barton  
Beattie  
Bligh  
Boyle  
Bredhauer  
Briskey  
Choi  
Clark, E  

Keech  
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Foley, M  
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Nuttall  
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Pearce  
Phillips  
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Smith  
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Strong  
Struthers  

NOES 19—

Bell  
Copeland  
Cunningham, E  
Flynn  

Hobbs  
Hopper *  
Horan  
Johnson  

Lee Long  
LINGARD  
Malone  
Pratt  

Quinn  
Roberts, E  
Rowell  
Seeney  

Simpson  
Springborg  
Wells  

* Tellers

Question agreed to.

13 MINISTERIAL STATEMENT (Hansard p.3834, 7.08pm)

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the proposed Redcliffe Rail link and an upgrade of the Houghton Highway.

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

Various items of correspondence to Mr Beattie relating to the proposed Redcliffe Rail link and an upgrade of the Houghton Highway

14 FARM DEBT MEDIATION BILL (Hansard p.3834, 8.30pm)

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Member for Gladstone (Mrs E Cunningham) – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate resumed.

Papers: Mrs E Cunningham, by leave, during her speech, tabled the following papers—

Various letters and documents concerning Lynton Freeman

Debate continued.

Question put.

The House divided.
AYES 8—
Bell * Cunningham, E
Flynn Foley, C
Lee Long * Flynn
Pratt Wellington

NOES 69—
Attwood Cummins
Barry Cunningham, J
Barton Edmond
Bligh English
Boyle Fenlon
Bredhauer Foley, M
Briskey Fours
Choi Hayward
Clark, E Hobbs
Clark, L Hopper *
Copeland Horan
Croft Jarratt

* Tellers

Question negatived.

15 VAGRANTS, GAMING AND OTHER OFFENCES (FLAG PROTECTION) AMENDMENT BILL
(Hansard p.3844, 9.33pm)
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Member for Gladstone (Mrs E Cunningham) – That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate resumed.
Question put.
And the House having continued to sit till 12 midnight—

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Debate continued.
Question put – That the Bill be now read a second time.
The House divided.

AYES 19—
Bell * Cunningham, E
Copeland Hobbs
Flynn Hopper

NOES 54—
Atwood Croft
Barry Cummins
Bligh Cunningham, J
Boyle Edmond
Bredhauer English
Briskey Fenlon
Choi Foley, M
Clark, E Fouras
Clark, L Hayward

* Tellers

Question negatived.

16 ADJOURNMENT (Hansard p.3867, 12.05am)
Leader of the House (Ms Bligh) moved – That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and agreed to.
The House adjourned at 12.37am.
### ATTENDANCE

The following members were present—

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

**N J LAURIE**  
**CLERK OF THE PARLIAMENT**

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