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

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

Mr McArdle from 26 petitioners requesting the House to provide shaded car parks for the elderly residents of “May Hooper Lodge”, Caloundra.

Mr McArdle from 3,529 petitioners requesting the House to ensure the safety of police and the general community by increasing the number of police on patrol in the Caboolture region.

Dr Clark from 496 petitioners requesting the House to ensure that the right of safe, legal and permanent access at all times, regardless of tides, is provided from the northern end of Moore Street or the park on Connermara Close, Trinity Beach, directly to the foreshore at Taylors Point Beach.

Mr Lee from 2,325 petitioners requesting the House to amend the Nature Conservation Act 1992 and ban the practice of recreational duck and quail shooting in Queensland.

Ms Lee Long from 71 petitioners requesting the House to improve signage at the corner of Kennedy Highway and Main Street, Tolga.

The following E-petition, sponsored by the Member indicated, was received—

Mr Wellington from 225 petitioners requesting the House to make provision in the proposed new tenure for Forest Reserves to have the existing fire trails and degraded tracks set aside as Conservation Park Corridors.

MINISTERIAL PAPER TABLED BY THE CLERK
The following ministerial paper was tabled by The Clerk—

Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie)—
Letter, dated 21 February 2005, from the Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) to the Clerk of the Parliament enclosing a copy of a letter from the Commonwealth Parliament’s Joint Standing Committee on Treaties listing proposed international treaty actions tabled in the Commonwealth Parliament on 8 February 2005 and the National Interest Analyses for each of the proposed treaty actions listed

MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS (Hansard p. 107, 9.33 am)
(a) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to public safety in Brisbane City.

(b) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Boxing Day Tsunami and a plaque to be placed in Roma Street Parklands.

(c) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to multiculturalism and the Indian community.

(d) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to multiculturalism and the Chinese community.

(e) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Queensland Multiculturalism Awards.

(f) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to an information session on multiculturalism for MPs.

(g) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to indigenous art and Queensland artist, Judy Watson.

(h) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Aboriginal Cricket Team of 1868.
(i) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Queensland economy and unemployment.

(j) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Millennium Arts Project.

(k) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the opening of the National Information and Communication Technology Australia Queensland laboratory.

(l) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the new cruise ship terminal at Hamilton.

(m) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to Wagner Composite Fibre Technologies.

(n) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the expansion of the Yatala Brewery.

(o) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to rail and ports projects and the export coal industry.

(p) Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the 3rd Annual Premier of Queensland Smart Awards.

(q) Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Sport (Mr Mackenroth) made a ministerial statement relating to comments by the Federal Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources, Ian MacFarlane, in *The Courier-Mail* today regarding the Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal.

(r) Minister for Employment, Training and Industrial Relations (Mr Barton) made a ministerial statement relating to new guidelines for working with crocodiles in captivity.

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

Workplace Health and Safety Guidelines for Working with Crocodiles in Captivity, dated February 2005

(s) Minister for State Development and Innovation (Mr McGrady) made a ministerial statement relating to Ms Caroline Russo who is missing following the Boxing Day Tsunami.

(t) Minister for Health (Mr Nuttall) made a ministerial statement relating to preventable deaths.

(u) Minister for Public Works, Housing and Racing (Mr Schwarten) made a ministerial statement relating to the Kelvin Grove Urban Village.

(v) Minister for Police and Corrective Services (Ms Spence) made a ministerial statement relating to freedom of information and comments in *The Courier-Mail* today regarding the process between the Minister’s office and the Queensland Police Service.

(w) Minister for Transport and Main Roads (Mr Lucas) made a ministerial statement relating to the investigation into the derailment of the Cairns tilt train.

(x) Minister for Primary Industries and Fisheries (Mr Palaszczuk) made a ministerial statement relating to a new red plum variety which is rich in antioxidants.

**MOTION WITHOUT NOTICE – ALTERATION OF TIME LIMIT ON DEBATE OF MOTION**

Leader of the House (Ms Bligh), by leave, moved—That for debate on General Business Notice of Motion No. 1, standing in the name of Ms Nelson-Carr, so much of Standing and Sessional Orders be suspended so as to provide that the maximum time limit each Member can speak on the motion is as follows—

Mover – 10 minutes
Other Members – 10 minutes
Mover In Reply – 10 minutes

Question put and agreed to.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

(a) Mr Langbroek gave notice that he will move—

That this House notes—
1. that in excess of 30 per cent of incidents in Brisbane’s CBD reported to police through the City council’s security camera surveillance system are not attended to by police;

2. the pro-active measures being trialed and introduced by the Lord Mayor and the Brisbane City Council to prevent violence in the CBD; and

3. the Government’s belated response to this public safety issue; and

calls upon the Beattie Government to increase police numbers to improve public safety in the Brisbane CBD.

(b) Mrs E Cunningham gave notice that she will move—

That this House supports a review and restructure of the Queensland Competition Authority to ensure its methodologies and recommendations are transparent and reflect its standing obligation to protect the community interest as outlined in its objectives.

NOTICE OF MOTION – DISALLOWANCE OF STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

Miss Simpson gave notice that she will move—


PRIVATE MEMBERS’ STATEMENTS (Hansard p. 122, 10.23 am)

Private Members’ statements were made.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE (Hansard p. 123, 10.30 am)

Questions without notice were asked.

MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE (Hansard p. 127, 10.50 am)

(a) Leader of the Opposition (Mr Springborg) rose on a matter of privilege suddenly arising.

Papers: Mr Springborg, during his speech, tabled the following papers—

- Document titled COMMISSIONER QLD POLICE
- Correspondence, dated 21 February 2005, from the Director, Executive Services, Department of Premier and Cabinet

(b) Minister for Police and Corrective Services (Ms Spence) rose on a matter of privilege.

Paper: Ms Spence, during her speech, tabled the following paper—

- Letter, dated 21 February 2005, from the Commissioner of Police to the Leader of the Opposition relating to freedom of information applications

Questions resumed.

Paper: Mr Quinn tabled the following paper—

- Graph titled Police Response Statistics between December 2004 and January 2005

Questions continued.

MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE (Hansard p. 129, 11 am)

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

(b) Leader of the Opposition (Mr Springborg) rose on a matter of privilege suddenly arising.

Questions resumed.

Questions concluded.
MINISTERIAL STATEMENT (Hansard p. 135, 11.28 am)
Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to approvals for ministerial travel.

Paper: Mr Beattie, during his statement, tabled the following paper—
Copy of email, dated 23 February 2005, between Ministerial Services staff

GAMBLING LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL (Hansard p. 135, 11.30 am)
Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Sport (Mr Mackenroth) presented a Bill for an Act to amend Acts administered by the Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Sport and Explanatory Notes and moved – That the Bill be now read a first time.
Question put and agreed to.
Mr Mackenroth moved – That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Deputy Leader of the Opposition (Mr Seeney) moved – That the debate be now adjourned.
Question put and agreed to.

PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT AGENTS BILL (Hansard p. 137, 11.40 am)
Minister for Employment, Training and Industrial Relations (Mr Barton) presented a Bill for an Act about private employment agents and Explanatory Notes and moved – That the Bill be now read a first time.
Question put and agreed to.
Mr Barton 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.

SUMMARY OFFENCES BILL (Hansard p. 138, 11.50 am)
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Police and Corrective Services (Ms Spence) – That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr Choi.

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT (Hansard p. 156, 3.19 pm)
Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), by leave, made a ministerial statement relating to the Palm Island Council and the Crime and Misconduct Commission.

Papers: Mr Beattie, during his statement, tabled the following papers—
Letter, dated 3 December 2004, from Boe Lawyers to Mr Beattie relating to the Palm Island Council’s response to the Government’s Five Point Plan for Palm Island
Letter, dated 6 December 2004, from Boe Lawyers to Mr Beattie titled Palm Island – Death in Custody
Letter, dated 10 December 2004, from Mr Beattie to Ms Erykah Kyle, Chairperson, Palm Island Aboriginal Council relating to future communications with the Palm Island Council
Letter, dated 10 December 2004, from Mr Beattie to Boe Lawyers relating to future communications with the Palm Island Council
Letter, dated 13 December 2004, from Boe Lawyers to Mr Beattie relating to future communications with the Palm Island Council
Letter, dated 17 December 2004, from Ms Erika Kyle, Chairperson, Palm Island Aboriginal Council to the Premier requesting future communications with the Palm Island Council to be via Boe Lawyers
Letter, dated 4 January 2005, from the Acting Premier (Mr Mackenroth) to Ms Erykah Kyle, Chairperson, Palm Island Aboriginal Council relating to a meeting between the Queensland Government and Boe Lawyers concerning the Palm Island community
Letter, dated 10 January 2005, from Boe Lawyers to Ms Anna Moynihan, A/Executive Director, Social Policy, Department of the Premier and Cabinet relating to the Palm Island Council
Letter, dated 8 February 2005, from Dr Leo Keliher, Director General, Department of the Premier and Cabinet to Boe Lawyers relating to the Palm Island Council
Letter, dated 11 February 2005, from Mr Beattie to Ms Erykah Kyle, Chairperson, Palm Island Aboriginal Council relating to the Palm Island Council
Letter, dated 17 February 2005, from Boe Lawyers to Mr Beattie relating to the Palm Island Community Centre
Letter, dated 18 February 2005, from Ms Erykah Kyle, Chairperson, Palm Island Aboriginal Council to Mr Beattie relating to the action plan for Palm Island

SUMMARY OFFENCES BILL  (Hansard p. 162, 3.35 pm)
Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Police and Corrective Services (Ms Spence) – That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.
Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr Fenlon.

NOTICE OF MOTION – VIOLENCE IN BRISBANE CBD  (Hansard p. 179, 5.29 pm)
Mr Langbroek, pursuant to notice, moved – That this House notes—
1. that in excess of 30 per cent of incidents in Brisbane’s CBD reported to police through the City Council’s security camera surveillance system are not attended to by police;
2. the pro-active measures being trialed and introduced by the Lord Mayor and the Brisbane City Council to prevent violence in the CBD;
3. the Government’s belated response to this public safety issue; and
calls upon the Beattie Government to increase police numbers to improve public safety in the Brisbane CBD.
Debate ensued.
The following amendment was proposed by the Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie)—
That all words after “House” are deleted and the following words inserted—
• Notes that the Premier has called a Summit for Friday 25 February to find solutions to late-night anti-social behaviour and crime in the Brisbane Central Business District;
• Resolves that this summit will be a constructive forum that will show a way forward to improve public safety and feelings of safety, for the benefit of the people of Brisbane, its businesses and visitors; and
• Notes that the Beattie Government has increased the number of officers in the Queensland Police Service from 6,800 in 1998 to 8,900 now – an increase of more than 300 a year compared with an average of only 200 a year under the previous Government.

Paper: Premier and Minister for Trade (Mr Beattie), during his speech, tabled the following paper—
Media release, dated 23 February 2005, by the Crime and Misconduct Commission titled CMC completes Palm Island airfare investigation

Debate ensued.
Question put – That Mr Beattie’s amendment be agreed to.
The House divided.
AYES 53—


NOES 20—

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Question agreed to.

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

Motion, as agreed—

That this House—

• Notes that the Premier has called a Summit for Friday 25 February to find solutions to late-night anti-social behaviour and crime in the Brisbane Central Business District;

• Resolves that this summit will be a constructive forum that will show a way forward to improve public safety and feelings of safety, for the benefit of the people of Brisbane, its businesses and visitors; and

• Notes that the Beattie Government has increased the number of officers in the Queensland Police Service from 6,800 in 1998 to 8,900 now – an increase of more than 300 a year compared with an average of only 200 a year under the previous Government.

FLUORIDATION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES AMENDMENT BILL  (Hansard p. 188, 7.30 pm)

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Member for Surfers Paradise (Mr Langbroek) – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Papers: Mrs E Cunningham, by leave, during her speech, tabled the following papers on behalf of Mr Wellington—

Various letters and documents relating to fluoridation of the water supply

Debate continued.

Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr Knuth.

ADJOURNMENT  (Hansard p. 212, 9.59 pm)

Acting Leader of the House (Mr Nuttall) moved – That this House do now adjourn. Debate ensued.

Question put and agreed to.

The House adjourned at 10.33 pm.
ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present—

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