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The Assembly met at 9.30 am, pursuant to adjournment. The Speaker (Honourable A McGrady) read prayers.

STATEMENT BY SPEAKER – CENTRAL QUEENSLAND SITTING SURVEY
Mr Speaker made the following statement—

‘Honourable Members—
I advise that this morning a survey will be distributed to members in the Chamber seeking comment on the administrative arrangements for the Central Queensland sitting of Parliament in Rockhampton.

This is an important evaluation and feedback document for the Parliamentary Service and members are encouraged to complete and return, either to the Clerk in the supplied envelope or by placing the survey in the questions on notice tray on the Table of the House.

I feel I speak for every member when I offer our congratulations and appreciation to all staff of the Parliament who were involved in the arranging and delivery of the parliamentary sittings in Rockhampton.’

STATEMENT BY SPEAKER – PHOTOGRAPHER IN CHAMBER
Mr Speaker made the following statement—

‘Honourable Members—
I advise that I have approved that from 9.30 am to 11.30 am every sitting day, a Courier-Mail newspaper photographer may take photos in the Chamber.

The photographer will adhere to the general guidelines set for filming and photography in the chamber—namely, that they will only take the photograph of a member who has the call.’

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

Ms Bligh from 23 petitioners requesting the House to introduce a bill of rights and other legislation that enshrines people’s rights to live without unjust interference from local and the State governments; to actively oppose with legal and political action the Federal Government’s present and future legislative plans with regard to terrorism and to actively support good governance in Queensland that bolsters in the long-term social equality, social cohesion and a strong civil society.

Mr Messenger from 2,404 petitioners requesting the House to change the law to stop the discrimination against aged pensioners who reside in leasehold retirement villages in Queensland paying Local Government Rates via the owner of their village but who are not provided benefit under the Queensland State Government Pensioner Rate Rebate Scheme similar to benefits available to aged pensioners residing outside leasehold retirement villages in Queensland.

MINISTERIAL PAPERS TABLED BY THE CLERK
The following ministerial papers were tabled by The Clerk—

Minister for Employment, Training and Industrial Relations (Mr Barton)—
Department of Employment and Training – Annual Report 2004-05
Emerald Agricultural College – Annual Report 2004-05
Dalby Agricultural College – Annual Report 2004-05
Longreach Pastoral College – Annual Report 2004-05
Australian College of Tropical Agriculture – Annual Report 2004-05
Training and Employment Recognition Council – Annual Report 2004-05
Training Ombudsman – Annual Report 2004-05

Minister for Justice and Attorney-General (Mrs Lavarch)—
Legal Services Commission – Annual Report 2004-05
MINISTERIAL PAPERS

The following ministerial papers were tabled—

Minister for Natural Resources and Mines (Mr Palaszczuk)—
- Department of Natural Resources and Mines – Annual Report 2004–05 and Financial Statements for 2004–05
- SunWater – Annual Report 2004–05

Minister for Education and Minister for the Arts (Mr Welford)—
- Department of Education and the Arts – Annual Report 2004–05
- Queensland Studies Authority – Annual Report 2004–05
- Queensland Tertiary Education Foundation – Annual Report 2004–05
- Queensland Museum – Annual Report 2004–05
- Queensland Art Gallery – Annual Report 2004–05
- Library Board of Queensland – Annual Report 2004–05
- Queensland Performing Arts Centre – Annual Report 2004–05
- Non–State Schools Accreditation Board – Annual Report 2004–05

Minister for Police and Corrective Services (Ms Spence)—
- Prostitution Licensing Authority – Annual Report 2004–05
- Public Interest Monitor – Annual Report 2004–05

Minister for Environment, Local Government, Planning and Women (Ms Boyle)—
- Report on an overseas parliamentary trade delegation to Japan and Korea from 18 to 25 September 2005

MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS (Hansard p. 3918, 9.36 am)

(a) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the export of education and training.

(b) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Ports Corporation and the Abbot Point coal export terminal.

(c) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the redevelopment of the South Bank TAFE public–private partnership.

(d) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Queensland economy and the September figures from the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Paper: Mr Beattie, during his statement, tabled the following paper—
Copy of an article by David Uren, Economics Editor of The Australian, dated 10 November 2005, titled Once the Powerhouses: big states lose their steam

(e) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to his attendance at an ICT lunch with the Minister for Small Business, Information Technology Policy and Multicultural Affairs (Mr Cummins).

Paper: Mr Beattie, during his statement, tabled the following paper—
Pamphlet, dated November 2005, titled Queensland ICT Industry Profile

(f) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the Federal Government’s industrial relations reforms.

(g) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to the 2006 Ideas Festival.

(h) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to Queensland Health and disaster management planning.

(i) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to Remembrance Day.

(j) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to Palm Island and the Palm Island Select Committee.

Paper: Mr Beattie, during his statement, tabled the following paper—
Document titled Queensland Government response to the Palm Island Select Committee – November 2005
(k) Premier and Treasurer (Mr Beattie) made a ministerial statement relating to crime rates.

(l) Minister for Health (Mr Robertson) made a ministerial statement relating to the recruitment drive for doctors and other medical professionals in the United Kingdom.

(m) Minister for Employment, Training and Industrial Relations (Mr Barton) made a ministerial statement relating to the Federal Government’s industrial relations reforms.

(n) Minister for Environment, Local Government, Planning and Women (Ms Boyle) made a ministerial statement relating to climate change and coastal management plans.

(o) Minister for Natural Resources and Mines (Mr Palaszczuk) made a ministerial statement relating to climate change.

(p) Minister for Transport and Main Roads (Mr Lucas) made a ministerial statement relating to Queensland Rail.

(q) Minister for Police and Corrective Services (Ms Spence) made a ministerial statement relating to the Arson Reward Scheme.

(r) Minister for Education and Minister for the Arts (Mr Welford) made a ministerial statement relating to the annual Queensland School Sport Presentations.

(s) Minister for Public Works, Housing and Racing (Mr Schwarten) made a ministerial statement relating to the Community Memorials Restoration Program.

(t) Minister for Small Business, Information Technology Policy and Multicultural Affairs (Mr Cummins) made a ministerial statement relating to International Trade Show Assistance grants.

(u) Minister for Tourism, Fair Trading and Wine Industry Development (Mrs Keech) made a ministerial statement relating to the tourism industry.

Paper: Mrs Keech, during her statement, tabled the following paper—

Tourism Queensland – Annual Report 2004–05

(v) Minister for Communities, Disability Services and Seniors (Mr Pitt) made a ministerial statement relating to the draft Blueprint for the Bush symposium to be held in Toowoomba on 12 and 13 November 2005.

(w) Minister for Emergency Services (Mr Purcell) made a ministerial statement relating to the Queensland Ambulance Service.

STATEMENT BY LEADER OF THE HOUSE – HOURS AND ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR TODAY

Leader of the House (Mr Schwarten) made the following statement—

‘Mr Speaker—

I advise Honourable Members that the House can continue to meet past 6.30 pm this day.

The House can break for dinner at 6.30 pm and resume its sitting at 7.30 pm.

The Order of Business shall then be Government Business, followed by a 30 minute adjournment debate.’

SELECT COMMITTEE ON TRAVELSAFE – PAPER

Chair of the Select Committee on Travelsafe (Mr Pearce) tabled the following paper—

Select Committee on Travelsafe—

Issues Paper No. 10 – Inquiry into Vehicle Impoundment for Drink Drivers

PRIVATE MEMBERS’ STATEMENTS

Private Members’ statements were made.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Questions without notice were asked.
Mr McArdle tabled the following paper—

Series of media articles, dated between 27 March 2003 and 12 October 2005, relating to the management of the John Tonge Centre

Questions continued.

Mrs E Cunningham tabled the following papers—

Copy of a news release and an email alert, dated 8 November 2005, from the Local Government Association of Queensland titled QC Advice Prompts Councils' Demand for State-wide Fluoridation Referendum

Questions concluded.

Mr Speaker ruled that the Minister is entitled to answer the question in the way he sees fit.

NOTICE OF MOTION – DISSENT FROM SPEAKER’S RULING

Mr Hobbs gave notice that he will move – That Mr Speaker’s ruling on 10 November 2005, that the Minister is entitled to answer the question in the way he sees fit, be dissented from.

Questions resumed.

Questions concluded.

STATEMENT BY SPEAKER – TIME CLOCKS

Mr Speaker made the following statement—

‘Honourable Members—

I inform you that the Speaker has a clock in front of him. I work from this clock. Earlier this morning the Leader of the Opposition objected to me allowing a crossbench member to make a two-minute speech. I pointed out to him that I use my clock. In fairness to the Leader of the Opposition, he accepted the fact that we work on the clock in front of me. Regardless of what the two clocks in the Chamber say, this is the one that the Speaker and the temporary chairs work from. It is now 11.30 am.

I did allow the Minister for Health to continue his answer to the question because there was some delay due to the motion being moved by the Member for Warrego. Please, allow the chair to conduct the affairs of this Chamber.’

POSTPONED ORDERS – GOVERNMENT BUSINESS

Leader of the House (Mr Schwarten) moved – That Government Business Orders of the Day Nos. 1 to 22 be postponed.

Question put and agreed to.

NOTICE OF MOTION – REVOCATION OF PROTECTED AREAS AND FOREST RESERVES

Minister for Environment, Local Government, Planning and Women (Ms Boyle), pursuant to notice, moved—

(1) That this House requests the Governor in Council to make a revocation by regulation of the dedication of protected areas and forest reserves under the Nature Conservation Act 1992 of those areas as set out in the Proposal tabled by me in the House today on 29 September 2005, viz—

(A) A Proposal, under Sections 32 and 70E of the Nature Conservation Act 1992, requesting the Governor in Council to make a revocation by regulation of the dedication of protected areas and forest reserves of:

(a) Those parts of Crater Lakes National Park described as being the area illustrated red on drawing CNS05/048 (A) prepared by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines and containing an area of about 0.31 hectares as illustrated on the attached sketch marked ‘A’;

(b) All those parts of Expedition National Park, described as being an area below a depth of 250 metres from the surface of the whole of the National Park as illustrated on the attached sketch marked ‘B’;
(c) That part of Grey Peaks National Park described as being Lot 1 on plan SP178692 and being within stations 3-7-8-4-3 and containing an area of 1.549 hectares as illustrated on the attached sketch marked ‘C’;

(d) That part of Noosa National Park described as Lot 11 on plan SP161940 and being within stations 2-3-10-13-2 and containing an area of 1.422 hectares as illustrated on the attached sketch marked ‘D’;

(e) That part of Caloundra Conservation Park described as being within stations 1-2-4-5-6-7-1 on plan SP181240 and containing an area of 0.5822 hectares as illustrated on the attached sketch marked ‘E’; and

(f) All those parts of Nour Nour Forest Reserve described as being within stations 4-5-6-7-8-4, 9-12-11-10-9 and 13-16-15-14-13 on plan SP160530 and containing an area of about 2.6306 hectares as illustrated on the attached sketch marked ‘F’.

(B) A brief explanation of the Proposal.

(2) That Mr Speaker and the Clerk of the Parliament convey a copy of this Resolution to the Minister for Environment, Local Government Planning and Women for submission to the Governor in Council.

Debate ensued.

Question put and agreed to.

NOTICE OF MOTION – CENTENARY OF WOMEN’S RIGHT TO VOTE  (Hansard p. 3949, 12.08 pm)

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of Ms Nelson–Carr—

That this House—

• Recognises the exceptional contribution and achievements of women in public life since Queensland women were afforded the right to vote in State elections in 1905;

• Notes the Government's intention to celebrate the centenary of this milestone in 2005 with a range of activities throughout Queensland under the theme Celebrate the Past – Claim the Future: 100 years of the vote for Queensland women.

Further, that in celebrating the centenary, the House acknowledges that the right to vote was not afforded to all women, with indigenous women in Queensland only gaining the right to vote in State elections in 1965.

Debate ensued.

Question put and agreed to.

WATER AMENDMENT BILL  (Hansard p. 3955, 12.45 pm)

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Natural Resources and Mines (Mr Palaszczuk) – That the Bill be now read a second time.

Debate ensued.

Paper: Mrs Reilly, during her speech, tabled the following paper—

Non-conforming petition relating to the Nerang River shallows

Debate continued.

Paper: Mr Rickuss, during his speech, tabled the following paper—

E-mail, dated 7 November 2005, containing a copy of a letter to the Minister for Natural Resources and Mines (Mr Palaszczuk) from David Keller, Mid Brisbane River Irrigators Steering Committee

Debate continued.

Question put and agreed to.

Bill read a second time.

Consideration in detail—

Clauses 1 to 15, as read, agreed to.

Clause 16—

Debate ensued.

Question put – That Clause 16, as read, stand part of the Bill.

The House divided.
AYES 42—

Attwood  Cummins  Keech  Mickel  Purcell  Stone
Barton  Fenlon  Lawlor  Miller  Reeves *  Struthers
Boyle  Fournas  Lee  Molloy  Roberts, N  Sullivan, C
Briskey  Fraser  Livingstone  Nolan  Robertson  Sullivan, T *
Choi  Hayward  Lucas  Nuttall  Schwarten  Wallace
Clark, E  Hoolihan  Male  Palaszczuk  Smith  Wells
Croft  Jarratt  McNamara  Pearce  Spence  Wilson

NOES 16—

Caltabiano  Hopper *  Lingard  Messenger  Seeney  Stuckey
Cunningham, E  Johnson  Mc Ardle  Quinn  Simpson  Springborg
Flegg  Langbroek  Menkens  Rogers *  

Tellers *

Question agreed to.
Clause 17, as read, agreed to.
Consideration in detail completed—

Mr Palaszczuk moved – That the Bill be now read a third time.
Question put and agreed to.
Mr Palaszczuk moved – That the long title of the Bill be agreed to.
Question put and agreed to.

HEALTH SERVICES AMENDMENT BILL AND HEALTH PRACTITIONERS LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL

Order of the day read for the adjourned debate on the motion of the Minister for Natural Resources and Mines (Mr Palaszczuk) – That the Bill be now read a second time.
Debate ensued.

Paper: Dr Flegg, during his speech, tabled the following paper—
Copy of letter, dated 1 July 2005, from nursing staff of the Assessment and Rehabilitation Unit, Acute Geriatric and Rehabilitation Program, The Prince Charles Hospital to Mr Anthony Morris QC relating to concerns in the unit

Debate continued.
Debate adjourned on the motion of Mr Langbroek.

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

Minister for Natural Resources and Mines (Mr Palaszczuk)—
SunWater – Statement of Corporate Intent 2004–05

SPECIAL ADJOURNMENT

Leader of the House (Mr Schwarten) moved – That the House at its rising do adjourn until 9.30am on Tuesday, 22 November 2005.
Question put and agreed to.

ADJOURNMENT

Leader of the House (Mr Schwarten) moved – That this House do now adjourn.
Debate ensued.
Question put and agreed to.
The House adjourned at 10.29 pm.
ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present—

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