



Speech by

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#### **DAYLIGHT SAVING**

**Mrs ATTWOOD** (Mount Ommaney—ALP) (10.29 a.m.): I rise to speak on the important and age-old issue of daylight saving in Queensland. A resident of my electorate, Eddie Pullan, has become very passionate about this issue and has spoken to many others with like minds. He says that almost all the people he speaks to bemoan the fact that we do not have daylight saving in line with New South Wales and Victoria.

In the 1992 referendum, in south-east Queensland, 602,590, that is 60.4%, voted for daylight saving and 395,061, that is 39.6%, voted against it. Some of the disadvantages we suffer by not being in line with our southern counterparts affect our daily lives. Eddie argues that commercially and business wise, it ruins our credibility as a major trading centre and millions of dollars are lost due to communication breakdowns between our major cities. Tourism is also badly affected, as many of our outstanding attractions must cease operation as night falls. We are unable to take advantage of our warm and sunny climate to benefit from its many pleasures. It is our lifestyle to work longer hours—

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