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## STATE DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS ORGANISATION AMENDMENT BILL

Mr WELLINGTON (Nicklin—IND) (9.50 p.m.): I rise to participate in this debate. I recognise the need and desirability of a State Government working in partnership with private developers in the construction of some infrastructure facilities where the State Government is unable to do it alone. However, I am concerned that the Bill does not enable any real scrutiny by Parliament. I understand that the details of the taking of the land are tabled in Parliament only when the process set out in the Bill has been concluded.

Another concern that I have with the Bill is the possible wide ambit of what may be included in the definition of "infrastructure facility". I believe that the current catch-all legislation is too wide and unnecessary. I believe the use of project specific legislation is a viable and realistic alternative to the proposal contained in the Bill. I will not be supporting it.