



Speech by

PHIL REEVES

MEMBER FOR MANSFIELD

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MR SPEAKER'S RULING

Motion of Dissent

Mr REEVES (Mansfield—ALP) (3.28 p.m.): In the time I have available I would like to speak, through the Chair, to the One Nation members and the Independents. Those members came into this Parliament talking about being a new breed and improving the decorum of Parliament. If those members support this motion they will be supporting rabble-like behaviour—such as they supported on Tuesday.

As a new member of this House, and a member who fills one of the Deputy Speaker positions, I realise how difficult it is for Mr Speaker. It must be extremely difficult to be in the chair at question time and when ministerial statements are being delivered. I do not know how Mr Speaker handles the situation.

In a speech in this House last night the member for Caboolture said this—

"When one comes from a police background one learns to respect the rules. There is a process that must be followed and the rules must be adhered to."

Here is a perfect example of where the rules must be adhered to. The honourable member should practise what he preaches and vote against this motion.

Time expired.
