



Speech by

Hon. T. M. MACKENROTH

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Hon. T. M. MACKENROTH (Chatsworth— ALP) (Leader of the House) (3.40 p.m.), in reply: The reason for increasing the membership is simply to give a status to the Director-General of the Premier's Department and to the Under Treasurer, that is, a seat on the board. They already have observer status at the board meetings and attend board meetings. Simply, all we are doing is making the Director-General of the Premier's Department and the Under Treasurer members of the board.

In relation to whether or not that is controversial, we take our advice from the Parliamentary Counsel. The Parliamentary Counsel would give us advice as to whether or not it is regarded as being controversial. We do not see it as being controversial. That is the reason. Now the Opposition knows the reason and who the individuals are. I think I have answered its questions.

Mr Borbidge: Those two departments tried it on me and I rejected it.

Mr MACKENROTH: That was the decision of the Leader of the Opposition as the then Premier. We have taken that advice and have included those two people on the board as full members.
