



Speech by

**Hon. PETER BEATTIE**

**MEMBER FOR BRISBANE CENTRAL**

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## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

### **Council of Australian Governments Meeting**

**Hon. PD BEATTIE** (Brisbane Central—ALP) (Premier) (10.20 am): I give notice that I shall move—

This House notes the significant reforms arising from the meeting of the Council of Australian Governments on Friday, 10 February. Further, this House notes the cooperative approach taken by the states and Commonwealth in achieving outcomes which will benefit all Queensland. In particular, this House notes:

1. The commitment to formulating a new national competition policy reform agenda to encourage productive investment in, and the efficient use of, infrastructure, as well as the broader national reform initiative agenda on human capital. This House calls on the Commonwealth to honour the Prime Minister's commitment to equitably share the net financial gains arising from such reforms with the states in recognition of their responsibilities for service delivery and infrastructure provision, and the tax benefits that will flow to the Commonwealth;
2. The important reforms relating to health care, including the commitment by the Commonwealth to fund additional medical training places, and calls on the Commonwealth to ensure that Queensland is allocated a fair share of these places;
3. The significant decisions relating to transport pricing and the resolution to ensure that the needs of rural and regional Australia are taken into account in the implementation of these decisions and calls on the Commonwealth to recognise the particular needs of Queensland in this regard; and
4. The agreement between the states and the Commonwealth to continue to work together in the global war on terrorism including the staffing of police at all major Australian airports and calls on the Commonwealth to ensure that Queensland is adequately funded to support all initiatives in the ongoing fight against terror.