



Speech by

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HEALTH QUALITY AND COMPLAINTS COMMISSION SELECT COMMITTEE

Order of Appointment

Mr WELLINGTON (Nicklin—Ind) (10.20 am): I wish to speak in support of this motion. What a wonderful motion it is. It is a great motion to form a select all-party health committee with representatives from the government, the opposition and the Independents. It is great to see that we, the Independents, and One Nation members are represented by our parliamentary colleague and the parliamentary colleague of those opposite, the member for Maryborough, Chris Foley.

I take members back to 18 August 2004 when the Independents and One Nation moved a similar motion. I refer members to page 1938 of the *Hansard* record where we moved—

- (1) That this House resolves to establish a new committee to be known as the Health Committee.
- (2) That the committee initially be a select committee with terms of reference to be responsible for monitoring, reviewing and reporting to the House on the operation of the state's health system including:
 - (a) the operation of the state's hospitals, medical facilities and health programs;
 - (b) the operation of departments and agencies, both state and local government, responsible for implementing health policies and funding health initiatives;

It refers to it being a select committee. Then it continues—

Tonight the Independents and One Nation are offering to work in partnership with the government to improve the delivery of health services in Queensland.

We commend the minister on introducing this motion and we support him 120 per cent.