



Speech by

Hon. Robert Schwarten

MEMBER FOR ROCKHAMPTON

Hansard Wednesday, 22 August 2007

MOTION: SESSIONAL ORDERS

Hon. RE SCHWARTEN (Rockhampton—ALP) (Leader of the House) (11.33 am): I seek leave of the House to alter the terms of the notice of motion standing in my name in accordance with alteration No. 2 circulated in my name, viz—

Omit 5. and insert:

"5. Insert new Sessional Order 3.(1):

3.(1) A member who is not a Minister may introduce a Bill during time set aside in the Order of Business for Private Members' Statements. In such a case the Member introducing the Bill may either:

- (a) speak on the Bill for the time allotted each member (two minutes) and then incorporate the remainder of their second reading speech, so long as the speech has been shown to the Speaker in accordance with Standing Order 25(2); or
- (b) speak for a maximum of 15 minutes, in which case any time spoken in excess of the time normally allotted (two minutes) shall:
 - in the case of a non-government Member, be deducted from the time normally allocated to non-Government Members in the total time allocated for Private Members' Statements; or
 - in the case of a government Member, be deducted from the time normally allocated to government Members in the total time allocated for Private Members' Statements;
- (c) speak for any time remaining for:
 - in the case of a non-government Member, the time normally allocated to non-Government Members in the total time allocated for Private Members' Statements; or
 - in the case of a government Member, the time normally allocated to government Members in the total time allocated for Private Members' Statements"

Leave granted.

Mr Seeney: Where is it?

Mr ACTING SPEAKER: Order! I call the Leader of the House.

Mr Seeney: You couldn't run a chook raffle.

Mr ACTING SPEAKER: Order! Leader of the Opposition.

Mr Hobbs interjected.

Mr ACTING SPEAKER: Order! Member for Warrego, I warn you under standing order 253. I remind the Leader of the Opposition that he has already been warned and that he is skating on thin ice.

Hon. RE SCHWARTEN (Rockhampton—ALP) (Leader of the House) (11.33 am): I move—

That the Sessional Orders of the 52nd Parliament be amended in accordance with the motion, as altered, circulated in my name.

1. In Sessional Order 1.(b) under "9.30am—10.30am (each day)—" omit:
"Private Members' Bills (Introductions)
Private Members' Statements"
2. In Sessional Order 1.(b) omit:

"11.30am—1.00pm (Wednesday and Thursday)—

Government Business"

and insert:

"11.30am—12.00pm (Wednesday)—

Private Members' Statements (Leader of the Opposition or nominee having first call)"

"12.00pm—1.00pm (Wednesday)—

Government Business"

"11.30am—1.00pm (Thursday)—

Government Business"

3. In the Heading to Sessional Order 3, omit:

"Debate of"

4. Renumber Sessional Order 3.(1) as 3.(2) and renumber Sessional Order 3.(2) as 3.(3)

5. Insert new Sessional Order 3.(1):

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