



Speech by

# Hon. Judy Spence

**MEMBER FOR SUNNYBANK**

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## **MOTION: REFERRAL TO LAW, JUSTICE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**Hon. JC SPENCE** (Sunnybank—ALP) (10.22 am), by leave, without notice: I move—

That the Law, Justice and Safety Committee conduct an inquiry and report on alcohol related violence in Queensland, with a focus on community safety and preventative measures to reduce levels of alcohol related violence, including its ramifications.

In undertaking this inquiry, the committee should consider—

- best practice harm minimisation measures in other Australian and international jurisdictions, including specific measures such as restrictions on the use of glass;
- the impact of late opening hours on incidences of alcohol related violence;
- the flow-on issues for emergency service workers, police and front-line health workers of alcohol related violence;
- education campaigns and their role in cultivating effective social change in terms of community attitudes to alcohol consumption;
- the role of parents in influencing the attitudes of young Queenslanders towards alcohol consumption; and
- the economic cost of alcohol related violence.

Further, the committee should take public submissions and consult with community leaders, educators, law enforcement, medical professionals and the liquor industry.

The committee report to the Legislative Assembly by 26 November 2009.