



MEMBER FOR COOMERA

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QUEENSLAND ART GALLERY AMENDMENT BILL

Mr CRANDON (Coomera—LNP) (10.01 pm): At the risk of being accused of plagiarism by the member for South Brisbane, I will make a contribution to the debate on the Queensland Art Gallery Amendment Bill 2012. The Queensland Art Gallery Amendment Bill 2012 amends the Queensland Art Gallery Act 1987 to establish the Queensland Art Gallery Foundation committee as a committee of the Queensland Art Gallery Board of Trustees. The 2007-08 Queensland Audit Office management report highlighted deficiencies in the establishment of the Queensland Art Gallery Foundation not being a legal entity in its own right. Indeed I, together with the minister, was on the Finance and Administration Committee in the 53rd Parliament that started to do some work on this particular bill.

The bill proposes to amend the act in accordance with the recommendations of the Queensland Audit Office management report. The amendments to the Queensland Art Gallery Act 1987 will enable the board to: establish a committee to carry out the activities of the foundation; determine the membership and conditions of membership for the committee; determine the name, constitution and procedures for the committee; and delegate its powers to the committee. They also extend the protection from civil liability afforded to board members to committee members; extend provisions regarding board members who have an interest in matters being considered by the board to committee members who have an interest in matters being considered by the committee; include within the board's function the development of the gallery's collection; provide that the board is a charitable institution; deem gifts to the foundation to be gifts to the board; and deem the current council of the foundation validly appointed to facilitate its winding up. I commend the bill to the House.

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