




Speech By
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MOTION: AMENDMENTS TO STANDING ORDERS

 **Ms PALASZCZUK** (Inala—ALP) (Leader of the Opposition) (10.00 am): The Opposition supports this motion wholeheartedly. Madam Speaker, you may recall that on 3 June I wrote to you about this matter. I think we have the situation now that the public recognises that members of parliament should be turning up to parliament. They should be doing the right thing and representing their constituents.

This matter then went to the CLA, where there was wholehearted bipartisan support for this very important issue. We can no longer have the situation in this place where members just come and go or come in for half an hour. We need to make sure that we perform our duties in line with public expectations. That means that we turn up to do our job, we turn up in this House, we perform our duties and we represent the electors we were elected to represent. That is the cornerstone of our democracy and that is the right thing to do. We will be supporting this amendment in a bipartisan way, as it should be.