



Speech By Curtis Pitt

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WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND REHABILITATION AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL: ALLOCATION OF TIME LIMIT ORDER

Mr PITT (Mulgrave—ALP) (11.24 pm): I rise to oppose the motion moved by the Leader of the House in terms of truncating this debate and putting time frames in place.

Government members interjected.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Dr Robinson): Order, members! The Manager of Opposition Business has the call.

Mr PITT: Mr Deputy Speaker, thank you. I am going to be short and sweet on this one to say that there has already been a rushing of this legislation through the House. That is well-worn territory. We know that this government has introduced this particular bill this week and rushed it through under the cloak of bikie legislation, under the cloak of MP pay rises and plenty of other distractions—

Mr Bleijie: What pay rise?

Mr PITT:—including the so-called casino licensing policy. While we are speaking on the issue of MP pay rises, I think the comment was made this week that Queensland has the hardest working MPs in the country. It is just a shame that they are all sitting on this side of the House.