




Speech By
Hon. Tim Nicholls

MEMBER FOR CLAYFIELD

APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL

Message from Governor

 **Hon. TJ NICHOLLS** (Clayfield—LNP) (Treasurer and Minister for Trade) (2.30 pm): I present a message from Her Excellency the Governor.

The Speaker read the following message—

MESSAGE

APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL 2013

Constitution of Queensland 2001, section 68

I, PENELOPE ANNE WENSLEY AC, Governor, recommend to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intituled—

A Bill for an Act authorising the Treasurer to pay amounts from the consolidated fund for the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service for the financial years starting 1 July 2013 and 1 July 2014


(sgd)

GOVERNOR

Date: 4 JUN 2013

Tabled paper. Message, dated 4 June 2013, from her Excellency the Governor, recommending the Appropriation (Parliament Bill 2013 [[2771](#)].

Introduction

 **Hon. TJ NICHOLLS** (Clayfield—LNP) (Treasurer and Minister for Trade) (2.31 pm): I present a bill for an act authorising the Treasurer to pay amounts from the Consolidated Fund for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service for the financial years starting 1 July 2013 and 1 July 2014. I table the bill and the explanatory notes.

Tabled paper. Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2013 [[2772](#)].

Tabled paper. Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2013, explanatory notes [[2773](#)].

This bill provides appropriation for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service for the 2013-14 budget and interim supply for 2014-15. Interim supply for the 2014-15 year will allow normal operations of the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service to continue until the 2014-15 Appropriation Bill receives assent.

The Appropriation (Parliament) Bill will provide the funding to ensure the continued operations of the Legislative Assembly and the Parliamentary Service. It also adheres to the recent convention that the Legislative Assembly's appropriation be contained in a bill separate from the Appropriation Bill for the other activities of government reflecting the government's commitment to the continued independence of the Legislative Assembly. Funding will cover the range of advisory and information services to assist the parliament, its committees and members to fulfil their constitutional and parliamentary responsibilities, including the Parliamentary Library, Committee Office, Parliamentary Reporting Service, Chamber and Procedural Services, and Security and Attendant Services as well

as the provision of accommodation, hospitality and members' entitlements. I commend the bill to the House.

First Reading

Hon. TJ NICHOLLS (Clayfield—LNP) (Treasurer and Minister for Trade) (2.33 pm): I move—

That the bill be now read a first time.

Question put—That the bill be now read a first time.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a first time.