




Speech By
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MOTION

Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee

 **Mr HINCHLIFFE** (Sandgate—ALP) (Leader of the House) (4.32 pm), by leave, without notice: I move—

1. That the Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources Committee inquire into and report on fly-in fly-out (FIFO) and other long-distance commuting work practices in regional Queensland.
2. That, in undertaking the inquiry, the committee should consider:
 - the health impacts on workers and their families from long-distance commuting, particularly mental health impacts, and the provision of health services in mining communities;
 - the effects on families of rostering practices in mines using FIFO workforces;
 - the extent and projected growth in FIFO work practices by region and industry;
 - the costs and/or benefits and structural incentives and disincentives, including tax settings, for companies choosing a FIFO workforce;
 - the effect of a 100 per cent non-resident FIFO workforce on established communities including community wellbeing, the price of housing and availability, and access to services and infrastructure;
 - the quality of housing provided in accommodation villages for FIFO workforces;
 - strategies to optimise the FIFO experience for employees and their families, communities and industry;
 - the commuting practices for FIFO workforces, including the amount of time spent travelling, the methods of transportation, and adequacy of compensation paid for commuting travel times;
 - the effectiveness of current responses to impacts of FIFO workforces of the Commonwealth, state and local governments; and
 - any other related matter.
3. Further, that the committee seek public submissions and consult with key stakeholders including local communities, resource companies, unions and local government.
4. Further, that the committee report to the Legislative Assembly by 30 September 2015.