



Speech By Glenn Butcher

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AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Report

Mr BUTCHER (Gladstone—ALP) (7.30 pm): I lay upon the table of the House the Agriculture and Environment Committee's report No. 15 on the Racing Integrity Bill 2015.

Tabled paper. Agriculture and Environment Committee: Report No. 15—Racing Integrity Bill 2015 [335].

As I have explained to my committee members, I am a part owner of a thoroughbred and member of a racing syndicate, and I believe that this experience has given me as a member of this House an acute understanding of the racing industry's importance to the state and the need to protect its integrity and long-term sustainability. The Racing Integrity Bill is clearly an important piece of legislation for ensuring the industry's future, which I personally support. While the committee could not agree whether the bill should be passed, our report on the bill is a unanimous report and our recommendations to strengthen the bill are also unanimous. I thank my fellow committee members for their diligence and I commend the report to the House.