



Speech By
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NOTICE OF MOTION

Vegetation Management Framework



Mr KNUTH (Dalrymple—KAP) (2.46 pm): I give notice that I shall move—

That any changes to the Vegetation Management Framework must consider:

- (a) rejecting a 'one-size-fits-all' approach to vegetation management on a statewide basis that denies opportunity to parts of North and Western Queensland, these regions being Einasleigh Uplands, Gulf Plains, Cape York, Desert Uplands, North-west Highlands, Mulga Lands, Mitchell Grass Downs and Channel Country;
- (b) properties with the total cleared area of less than 10 per cent be permitted to be cleared up to a maximum of 10 per cent, capped at 5,000 hectares;
- (c) maintaining current self-assessable codes on these properties to ensure opportunity and maintenance of current productivity levels in balance with landscape vegetation retention and connectivity;
- (d) clearing provisions for high-value and irrigated high-value agriculture be extended to include 'high-value land for grazing purposes' such as baled fodder and forage, ensiling and strip grazing;
- (e) that any proposed changes do not impact on previously approved development under the present Vegetation Management Framework.