



Speech By  
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**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

**Alcohol Fuelled Violence**

 **Hon. YM D'ATH** (Redcliffe—ALP) (Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for Training and Skills) (9.47 am): I again thank the House for its support for the important reforms in tackling alcohol fuelled violence in Queensland. I also thank the many stakeholders who worked through this issue, from industry to academics, health professionals, other community organisations and our front-line emergency services workers.

Let me be clear: the passage of the legislation was not the end of the important work. I will continue to work with stakeholders as we implement the various elements of these reforms. Because we are committed to reducing violence, we are committed to growing our night-life and working with industries to adjust to these reforms. Specific consultation is already planned on particular elements of the reform.

Relevant stakeholders are being invited to meet about how to define our efforts to stop shots after midnight. Similarly, stakeholders will again be involved in discussing the ID scanners and what options may be available and invited to analyse the possible consequences for them and members of the public. That consultation will also include the court banning orders and their future application to drug offences. We will work with the safe night out precincts to discuss how the reform might best suit their particular region in the lead-up to the 1 February lockout introduction. I will also be working with other stakeholders—from service providers to police and emergency services, live music representatives and the tourism industry—as we phase in these important reforms.

The debate on taking action has concluded. We have delivered an election commitment and the House has settled the legislation. Although the debate is over, the consultation will continue. We need to be promoting our great state, our tourism, our night-life going forward. I am determined to continue to work with interested parties as we move forward into the rollout phase of this reform.