



Speech By  
**Hon. Curtis Pitt**


**MEMBER FOR MULGRAVE**

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Record of Proceedings, 13 June 2017

## **APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL**

### **Message from Deputy Governor**

 **Hon. CW PITT** (Mulgrave—ALP) (Treasurer and Minister for Trade and Investment) (2.31 pm): I present a message from the Deputy Governor.

**Mr SPEAKER:** The message from the Deputy Governor recommends the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill. The contents of the message will be incorporated in the *Record of Proceedings*. I table the message for the information of members.

MESSAGE

APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL 2017

*Constitution of Queensland 2001, section 68*

I, CATHERINE ENA HOLMES, Deputy 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 2017 and 1 July 2018.

(sgd)

DEPUTY GOVERNOR

Date: 13 June 2017

*Tabled paper:* Message, dated 13 June 2017, from the Deputy Governor recommending the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2017 [\[915\]](#).

### **Introduction**

**Hon. CW PITT** (Mulgrave—ALP) (Treasurer and Minister for Trade and Investment) (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 2017 and 1 July 2018. I table the bill and explanatory notes.

*Tabled paper:* Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2017 [\[916\]](#).

*Tabled paper:* Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2017, explanatory notes [\[917\]](#).

I introduce the appropriation bill for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service, which provides appropriation for the 2017-18 financial year. The bill combines the appropriation for the 2017-18 budget and interim supply for 2018-19 to allow normal operations of the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service to continue until the 2018-19 Appropriation Bill receives assent.

The government remains committed to the independence of the Legislative Assembly and this extends to the means by which public moneys are appropriated to ensure its continued functioning. We are therefore adhering to the convention that the Legislative Assembly's appropriation be contained in a bill separate from the Appropriation Bill for the other activities of government.

The Appropriation (Parliament) Bill will provide the necessary funds to ensure the continued operations of the Legislative Assembly and the Parliamentary Service. These include advisory and information services to assist the parliament, its committees and members to fulfil their constitutional and parliamentary responsibilities, the services provided by 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.

### **First Reading**

**Hon. CW PITT** (Mulgrave—ALP) (Treasurer and Minister for Trade and Investment) (2.32 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.

**Mr SPEAKER:** In accordance with standing order 177, the bill is now set down for its second reading.