



## Speech By Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe

## MEMBER FOR SANDGATE

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## LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DISSOLUTION OF IPSWICH CITY COUNCIL) BILL

## **Declared Urgent; Allocation of Time Limit Order**

**Hon. SJ HINCHLIFFE** (Sandgate—ALP) (Minister for Local Government, Minister for Racing and Minister for Multicultural Affairs) (11.37 am), by leave, without notice, I move—

That, under the provisions of standing order 137, the Local Government (Dissolution of Ipswich City Council) Bill be declared an urgent bill, be considered immediately and the following time limits apply to allow all remaining stages of the bill to be completed by 5.55 pm at this day's sitting including:

- (a) second reading by 5.49 pm;
- (b) consideration in detail to be completed by 5.51 pm;
- (c) question on third reading to be put by 5.53 pm; and
- (d) question on long title to be put by 5.55 pm.

At the time so specified, Mr Speaker shall put all remaining questions necessary to complete consideration of the bill, including clauses en bloc and any amendments to be moved by the minister in charge of the bill en bloc, without further amendment or debate.

I ask the House to support the motion not only to deliver on the commitment that has been made around urgency but also to ensure the timeliness of this bill being passed in order to facilitate the important measures to put the administrator in place.

As has been the subject of discussion with representatives of the opposition, this matter needs to be dealt with quickly. We need to have the administrator put in place in an efficient way. Arrangements have been made with Government House in order to have the assent, proclamation and further actions, including the Governor in Council meeting to appoint the interim administrator, take place tomorrow morning.

The times outlined in my motion are aimed at ensuring the delivery of the essence of this motion. They are aimed at ensuring that this matter is dealt with in a timely way that delivers the certainty that the people of Ipswich deserve and that I believe the vast majority of this House wants to see put in place. Considering public statements made on many occasions by the Leader of the Opposition that this matter should have been dealt with months ago, I suspect that everyone in the House will be behind making sure this matter is dealt with as quickly as possible. The provisions in the motion I have moved not only provide for the urgent nature of this matter but also provide for this to be done in a timely way.