




Speech By
Hon. Yvette D'Ath

MEMBER FOR REDCLIFFE

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MOTION

Business Program

 **Hon. YM D'ATH** (Redcliffe—ALP) (Leader of the House) (11.15 am), by leave, without notice: In accordance with sessional order 2B, I move—

1. That the following government business will be considered this sitting week, with the nominated maximum periods of time for each bill specified:
 - (a) the Revenue and Other Legislation Amendment Bill, the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) and Appropriation Bill (No. 2)—cognate debate, a maximum of 5 hours to complete all stages;
 - (b) the Crime and Corruption and Other Legislation Amendment Bill, a maximum of 4 hours and 30 minutes to complete all stages; and
 - (c) the Mines Legislation (Resources Safety) Amendment Bill, a maximum of 3 hours to complete all stages.
2. If the nominated stage of each bill has not been completed by the allocated time specified or by 5.55 pm on Thursday, 1 November 2018, Mr Speaker:
 - (a) shall put all remaining questions necessary to either pass that stage or pass the bill or motion without further debate;
 - (b) may interrupt non-specified business or debate on a bill or motion to complete the requirements of the motion; and
 - (c) will complete all stages required by this motion notwithstanding anything contained in standing and sessional orders.

I would like to thank the members for Kawana and Maiwar and the Minister for Health for attending the Business Committee meeting last night and participating in a constructive manner. I will say that I am in no way inferring that the Manager of Opposition Business is in support of this motion or the model that is in place, but I still hold out hope that the opposition will start participating fully in the Business Committee model such that all members will get the most out of this process for their electorates and also for the people of Queensland.

I take this opportunity to thank all members for the way they conducted themselves during the debate last sittings. While it is the case that we will not always agree on things in this chamber, I believe that this parliament's debate on such an important issue was conducted on the whole with respect. I thank the House.

In proposing the times in the motion today I have taken into consideration a number of factors, including the opposition's request for more time to make a contribution on the appropriation and revenue bills. That is why five hours has been proposed. This has been achieved by cognating these like bills. It is also worth noting that in the past the debate on the appropriation bills has ranged from anywhere between 24 minutes, back in 2015, and just over two hours. All bills have at least one recommendation—that the bills be passed—and I have been advised that there are no extensive amendments to be moved during consideration in detail for the respective bills.

The time allotted for these bills will enable other business to occur during this week's sitting including address-in-reply contributions, which I know that all members, in particular those opposite, are wanting to complete. I commend the motion to the House.