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NATURAL RESOURCES AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL

 **Mr CRISAFULLI** (Broadwater—LNP) (12.45 pm): I would like to make a contribution to the debate on the Natural Resources and Other Legislation Amendment Bill. Like those before me, I would like to start by firstly saying how large, how complex and how rushed this entire process has been. I listened intently to the contribution of the member for Greenslopes yesterday in which he was trying to justify the fact that this piece of legislation amends 32 separate acts. He was trying to justify that that was reasonable because a previous government had put forward an omnibus bill that amended 20. His justification for saying that 32 was somehow okay was that someone else had done 20. This bill is so complex in nature, and to hear the member for Greenslopes criticise the Queensland Law Society for daring to say that it was too much and criticise a policy officer and say that somehow that makes them incapable of doing their job I found offensive. We can disagree on policy, we can disagree on legislation—we can disagree on all of those things—but to criticise someone who dares to ask for more time to have a look at something that is so complex and amends so many different pieces of legislation I found offensive. Likewise, I also found offensive the fact that he took the member for Coomera to task for pronouncing ‘omnibus’ wrong and that somehow that was the extent of his contribution.

There are elements of this bill that we would like to support, and I make that very, very clear. However, there are other elements in this bill that are offensive.

Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER (Ms Pugh): Member, in accordance with the business program agreed to by the House, the time for debate has expired.

Mr Crisafulli: Here we go again, 32 acts and I get 32 seconds.

Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER: You had a minute and a half. Nevertheless, the time for the debate has expired.