




Speech By
Hon. Dr Steven Miles

MEMBER FOR MURRUMBA

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MOTION

Business Program

 **Hon. SJ MILES** (Murrumba—ALP) (Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services) (11.24 am): If the member for Kawana were so concerned about wasting time, perhaps he could reflect on his regular contribution to this debate as an opportunity for him to waste a bit less time of a few more people. It is beginning to look a lot like Christmas, isn't it? I understand that the lights on the Christmas tree were turned on last night. Afterwards, I understand that at the Alliance Hotel a number of members opposite celebrated another great year in opposition. It was wall-to-wall checked shirts at the Alliance last night! On Thursday there will be valedictory speeches and the Speaker's drinks. Before then there is much important work for us to do. This business program motion allows us to do that.

I will address the issues raised by the member for Kawana. The motion moved by the Leader of the House does indeed reflect the discussion that we had at the meeting. As the member for Sandgate accurately interjected, the motion reflects the fact that the opposition's views were taken into account. In fact, all of the views raised in that meeting were taken into account. I can confirm for the benefit of the House that at no stage did the member for Kawana ask for any other bills to be considered. The substance of his complaint is not borne out by the discussion we had at the meeting. Merry Christmas, Mr Deputy Speaker. We will get through the work of the House and then we will all have a chance to celebrate with the staff on Thursday afternoon.