



Speech By David Janetzki

MEMBER FOR TOOWOOMBA SOUTH

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JUSTICE AND OTHER LEGISLATION (COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE) AMENDMENT BILL

Mr JANETZKI (Toowoomba South—LNP) (11.25 am), continuing: I thank you for your guidance in relation to amendments outside the long title of the bill, Mr Speaker. In that regard, I officially table in the House the amendments outside the long title of the bill that we will seek to move during consideration in detail.

Tabled paper: Justice and Other Legislation (COVID-19 Emergency Response) Amendment Bill 2020, amendments to be moved by Mr David Janetzki MP <u>804</u>.

Tabled paper. Justice and Other Legislation (COVID-19 Emergency Response) Amendment Bill 2020, explanatory notes to Mr David Janetzki's amendments <u>805</u>.

Tabled paper. Justice and Other Legislation (COVID-19 Emergency Response) Amendment Bill 2020, statement of compatibility with human rights contained in Mr David Janetzki's amendments <u>806</u>.

Those amendments are necessary because the problems that are addressed in those amendments have not yet been fixed by the government. I will be urging the government this evening to permit leave to move those amendments in the House because the problems that are there continue to be there. The minister rose in an MPI on 17 March and said that amendments would be introduced into the House and the laws would be strengthened. Those amendments have not been presented to the House. We saw the minister on her feet again this morning.

Mr HINCHLIFFE: Mr Speaker, I rise to a point of order. You have just given a ruling in relation to what is permitted as relevant to this debate. You were quite specific in outlining those principles and explained them very well, I should say. I would urge you to give some guidance to the shadow Attorney-General given that pretty much straightaway after rising to his feet he strayed from the ruling you delivered. I would ask for him to be brought back to the bill as it exists before the House.

Mr SPEAKER: Thank you, Acting Leader of the House. Member for Toowoomba South, it is fine to refer to the fact that you will be introducing amendments, but not to refer to the content of those amendments or debate the point around why those amendments may be necessary. Under standing order 139, I ask you to come back to the bill.

Mr JANETZKI: Thank you, Mr Speaker. On that note, because it is well beyond time that the law is strengthened, this evening when leave is sought to move these amendments in the House, I will be expecting the government to show a backbone for the first time in a very long time and put community safety above criminals.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Kelly): Member, the term 'to show a backbone' is unparliamentary. I ask that you withdraw.

Mr JANETZKI: I withdraw.