



Speech By Hon. Dr Steven Miles

MEMBER FOR MURRUMBA

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MOTION

Amendment to Business Program

Hon. SJ MILES (Murrumba—ALP) (Minister for Health and Minister for Ambulance Services) (11.24 am): At the start of every sitting week the member for Kawana gets up and says how upset he is that members of his caucus will not get sufficient time to debate bills they are concerned about. Then their members ask us to give them more time to debate a bill they are concerned about. We move a motion that gives them more time to debate the bill they are concerned about, and the member for Kawana is still not happy. He still objects.

The sessional orders allow for the business program to be amended throughout the week to ensure the House's program remains agile and responsive to members, including those opposite. The amendment motion before the House is just that and is in line with the sessional orders. The Leader of the House's amendment is straightforward and gives more time for debate on the important Agriculture and Other Legislation Amendment Bill and, importantly, for substantial consideration and discussion of the amendments the minister intends to move. I support the motion moved by the Leader of the House.