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Report

Mr NICHOLLS (Clayfield—LNP) (10.17 am): I also extend my sorrow in respect of the passing of Tim Mulherin, the late member for Mackay. He was one of the real gentlemen of this House. I know that those who knew him will extend their sympathies to his wife, Erin, and to their family. I am sure much more will be said about that.

I lay upon the table of the House report No. 105 of the Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Committee, excitingly titled *Annual report 2019-20*.

Tabled paper. Parliamentary Crime and Corruption Committee, Report No. 105, 56th Parliament—Annual Report 2019-20 1554.

The report details the activities of the committee for the period 2019-20. Over 50 complaints were received in the year. Public complaints received were 24. In a miracle of public accountability, we actually finalised 28. We received 29 section 329 complaints and finalised 31. I note that the people of Queensland are getting great value out of the PCCC!

I want to indicate that 25 meetings were held throughout the year, including public meetings, providing the necessary transparency, as well as entertainment and content for our friends in the media. I thank the deputy chair and all members of the committee for their diligence during the course of the year. I particularly thank the secretariat, who have to plough through hundreds and hundreds of pages of complaints and material. I must say that it is always a pleasure on a Friday afternoon to receive 300 pages of material for the next week's committee meeting to plough through. In particular, I thank Karl Holden, the committee secretary—

Ms Jones: It's nothing compared to what we have to do!

Mr NICHOLLS: It certainly beats the cabinet bag—certainly the cabinet bags that they will be receiving on that side of the House anyway. I thank Greg Thomson, the assistant secretary; Nicola Ryan and Carolyn Heffernan from administration; and of course Erin Pasley, who was previously the committee secretary.