




Speech By
Hon. Cameron Dick

MEMBER FOR WOODRIDGE

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APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL (NO. 2)

Message from Governor

 **Hon. CR DICK** (Woodridge—ALP) (Treasurer and Minister for Investment) (11.15 am): I present a message from His Excellency the Governor.

Mr SPEAKER: Honourable members, the message from His Excellency the Governor recommends the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2). The contents of the message will be incorporated in the *Record of Proceedings*. I table the message for the information of members.

MESSAGE

APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL (No. 2) 2021

Constitution of Queensland 2001, section 68

I, PAUL de JERSEY AC CVO, Governor, recommend to the Legislative Assembly a Bill intitled—


A Bill for an Act authorising the Treasurer to pay an amount from the consolidated fund for the Legislative Assembly and parliamentary service for the financial year starting 1 July 2020

GOVERNOR

Date: 14 September 2021

Tabled paper: Message, dated 14 September 2021, from His Excellency the Governor, recommending the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2021 [1387](#).

Introduction

 **Hon. CR DICK** (Woodridge—ALP) (Treasurer and Minister for Investment) (11.15 am): I present a bill for an act authorising the Treasurer to pay an amount from the consolidated fund for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service for the financial year starting 1 July 2020. I table the bill, the explanatory notes and a statement of compatibility with human rights. I nominate the Economics and Governance Committee to consider the bill.

Tabled paper: Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2021 [1388](#).

Tabled paper: Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2021, explanatory notes [1389](#).

Tabled paper: Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2021, statement of compatibility with human rights [1390](#).

I am pleased to introduce the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 2) 2021. The objective of the bill is to seek supplementary appropriation for the 2020-21 financial year for unforeseen expenditure for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service. Unforeseen expenditure is the portion of expenditure from the Consolidated Fund made by individual departments that exceeds the amount approved in previous appropriation acts. For the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service—unforeseen expenditure of \$1.795 million in the 2020-21 financial year. That is related in part to the costs of running the 2020 state election during the pandemic.

Pursuant to section 35 of the Financial Accountability Act 2009, unforeseen expenditure is to be approved by the Governor in Council within four weeks of the end of the financial year. On 15 July 2021, the Governor in Council authorised unforeseen expenditure incurred during the 2020-21 financial year of \$449.251 million, including \$1.795 million for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service.

This bill fulfils a formal statutory requirement that all payments from the Consolidated Fund be authorised by parliament and does so in a timely manner. I commend the bill to the House.

First Reading

Hon. CR DICK (Woodridge—ALP) (Treasurer and Minister for Investment) (11.17 am): I move—

That the bill be now read a first time.

Question put—That the bill be now read a first time.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

Referral to Economics and Governance Committee

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Krause): In accordance with standing order 131, the bill is now referred to the Economics and Governance Committee.