



Speech By
Hon. Yvette D'Ath

MEMBER FOR REDCLIFFE

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MOTION

Business Program



Hon. YM D'ATH (Redcliffe—ALP) (Leader of the House) (11.17 am): I move—

1. That the following bills will be considered during this week's sitting:
 - (a) the Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Bill, and
 - (b) the Police Powers and Responsibilities and Other Legislation Amendment Bill.
2. If any bill listed in 1. has not completed all stages by 5.15 pm on Thursday, 2 December 2021, Mr Speaker:
 - (a) shall call on a minister to table any explanatory notes to their circulated amendments, any statement of compatibility with human rights or any statement relating to an override declaration
 - (b) shall put all remaining questions necessary to pass the bill without further debate
 - (c) may interrupt non-specified business or debate on a bill or motion to complete the requirements of the motion
 - (d) will complete all stages required by this motion notwithstanding anything contained in standing and sessional orders.

The motion before the House is straightforward. It contains two bills to be completed by 5.15 pm on Thursday this week. These bills are the Police Powers and Responsibilities and Other Legislation Amendment Bill and the Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Bill, both important pieces of legislation for Queensland. I note there will most likely be very keen interest in the Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Bill and I look forward to hearing the contributions of members in relation to this foundation legislation for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Members will note that the time frame for completing these bills is 5.15 on Thursday. This is to allow for the valedictory debate to commence and be concluded in a reasonable timeframe to allow the important lighting of the Christmas tree and thanks to the staff at that event. This is also the final business program motion for 2021. I take the opportunity to thank the Clerk, the Deputy Clerk and their team, in particular the parliamentary attendants, who have worked in and around this chamber during each sitting day ensuring the parliament is ready and available for members to conduct the work we were elected to do. It is a noteworthy achievement.

It has again been a difficult year managing COVID and the parliament. I thank all members for their willingness to accommodate the ongoing changes that we have had to make this year. Of course I want to thank the Business Committee. Monday evening is always an enlightening experience. I thank the member for Noosa and my ministerial colleague, Minister Bailey, and, of course, the Manager of Opposition Business, the Clerk and the attendants for their support throughout the year.