




Speech By
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**BUILDING UNITS AND GROUP TITLES AND OTHER LEGISLATION
AMENDMENT BILL**

 **Mr O'ROURKE** (Rockhampton—ALP) (3.49 pm): I rise to speak in support of the Building Units and Group Titles and Other Legislation Amendment Bill. I will only talk to the dispute resolution recommendations contained in this bill. This is an area that has blown out to extended times and can lead to a lot of stress and mental health issues. Having worked in the housing industry for over 30 years, I have come across many occasions where disputes are taking place, whether it is between occupants in the dwellings or between occupants and the body corporate, for example for upgrades or maintenance or the external areas—the list goes on with some of these disputes. We need to pass this bill. It is essential for the wellbeing of all people who reside in these dwellings. I commend the bill to the House.

Madam DEPUTY SPEAKER: Thank you, member. Well done. Under the provisions of the business program agreed to by the House and the time limit for this stage of the bill having expired, I call the Attorney-General to reply to the second reading debate.