




Speech By
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POLICE SERVICE ADMINISTRATION AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL

 **Ms PEASE** (Lytton—ALP) (6.56 pm): I rise in support of the Police Service Administration and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2021. I particularly want to acknowledge the very comprehensive speech that the member for Bancroft gave and I thank him for that. It was very interesting.

On 16 November 2021 the Police Service Administration and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2021 was introduced into the Legislative Assembly by Mark Ryan MP, Minister for Police and Corrective Services and Minister for Fire and Emergency Services. Then on 18 November 2021 the bill was referred to the Economics and Governance Committee for examination. During its examination of the bill, the committee invited written submissions on the bill from the public, identified stakeholders and emailed subscribers. It received two submissions. The committee also received a written briefing on the bill from the Queensland Police Service and also from officials from the QPS and the Department of Environment and Science. The committee also requested and received written advice from the QPS on issues raised by the submissions.

I take a moment to acknowledge the work of the committee under the leadership of the member for Logan, Linus Power, and the other members of the committee and thank them for their great consideration of the bill and the report that they have produced. I again acknowledge the work of the secretariat. We could not do our work without the great support of the secretariat. I acknowledge the hard work that they undertake from the beginning to the end of the reporting process, so I thank them for that. I also acknowledge the minister, the member for Morayfield, and thank him and his staff and the department for their great work and also the officers who contributed to the report.

As I have already done, I want to acknowledge the QPS, QFES and SES workers but in a different capacity. They provide so much support and safety to our community. I think we should all be very mindful, particularly in such terrible weather, of the great work that they do and the service that they provide to our communities. During COVID they were called upon to undertake border management and other COVID related activities which impacted their workforce and their day-to-day operations. I thank them for their consideration and for taking care of our community during a global pandemic.

The member for Bancroft talked about Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service officers and their engagement in this particular bill. I also acknowledge the great work of QPWS officers. I am very fortunate to have a wonderful QPWS office in the harbour at Manly. They do a great job. The Wynnum police have recently taken over the management and policing of Moreton Island. Moreton Island, or Mulgumpin as we like to call it, is a beautiful national park. It was lovely when the police officers who are based on the island conducted an Anzac Day ceremony on the beach. I thank them for their contribution to the community.