



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) (11.16 am): I move—

1. That, in accordance with standing order 172, the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 3), the Appropriation Bill (No. 3), and the Betting Tax and Other Legislation Amendment Bill be considered as cognate bills for their remaining stages, with:
  - (a) separate questions being put in regard to the second readings;
  - (b) the consideration of the bills in detail together; and
  - (c) separate questions being put for the third readings and long titles.
2. That the following business will be considered this sitting week, with the nominated maximum periods of time as specified:
  - (a) the Building Units and Group Titles and Other Legislation Amendment Bill, a maximum of three hours to complete all stages;
  - (b) the Coal Mining Safety and Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill, a maximum of four hours to complete all stages; and
  - (c) the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 3), the Appropriation Bill (No. 3) and the Betting Tax and Other Legislation Amendment Bill, to complete all stages by 5.55 pm on Thursday, 10 November 2022.
3. The following time limits for the bills listed in 2. apply:
  - (a) the minister to be called on in reply:
    - (i) for the Building Units and Group Titles and Other Legislation Amendment Bill and the Coal Mining Safety and Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 45 minutes before the expiry of the maximum hours for those bills;
    - (ii) for the Appropriation (Parliament) Bill (No. 3), the Appropriation Bill (No. 3) , and the Betting Tax and Other Legislation Amendment Bill by 5.10 pm on Thursday, 10 November 2022.
4. If the nominated stage of each bill has not been completed by the allocated time specified in 3., or by 5.55 pm on Thursday, 10 November 2022, 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 either pass that stage or 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.

There are a number of important bills to be debated this sitting week. There will be no lost hours as a result of suspending the sitting of parliament, as much as those on the opposite side might want to carry on about the hours. This week we will be debating the appropriation bills, the Betting Tax and Other Legislation Amendment Bill, the Building Units and Group Titles and Other Legislation Amendment Bill and the Coal Mining Safety and Health and Other Legislation Amendment Bill. If we get through all of those that we have set in the business motion there are other bills on the *Notice Paper* equally important to be debating. We have a lot to do in our last two sitting weeks of the year. I look forward to listening to the debate of members of parliament on those important bills.

Hopefully we will get to a point with the business motion and program where we can mature, like the Victorian model, which will see us simply say these are all the bills we are going to debate this week and if they are not completed by the end of the week the questions will be put. We are not quite there yet. We still have to prescribe set times for each bill because I do not think those on the other side can manage their business to ensure that they do not just stack out the first bill and then realise that they will not get to speak on the other bills on the *Notice Paper*. I am more than happy to move this motion in my name and ask that all members support it.