



Speech By
Hon. Yvette D'Ath

MEMBER FOR REDCLIFFE

Record of Proceedings, 21 February 2023

MOTION

Business Program



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

1. That the following business will be considered this sitting week with the bills listed below to complete all stages by 5.55 pm on Thursday, 23 February 2023:
 - (a) the Domestic and Family Violence Protection (Combating Coercive Control) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill; and
 - (b) the Land and Other Legislation Amendment Bill.
2. If the nominated stage of each bill has not been completed by 5.55 pm on Thursday, 23 February 2023, 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.

I take this opportunity to welcome all members, particularly government members, back to the legislative chamber for 2023. I also welcome the Clerk and his team of parliamentary staff back to the precinct for 2023. I wish everyone a safe and healthy 2023. I hope that the tenor of debate is lifted to that of policy and ideas rather than the personal, which we have seen in recent times.

Turning to the motion before the House, this week the House will consider the Domestic and Family Violence Protection (Combating Coercive Control) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill and the Land and Other Legislation Amendment Bill. Both bills will be considered by the House and questions put no later than 5.55 pm on Thursday evening. These bills have gone through the committee process and are another example of how the Palaszczuk government is getting on with the job of delivering for all Queenslanders regardless of where they live.

In addition to the legislation which will be debated, the House will introduce important legislation such as the Strengthening Community Safety Bill. We will also recognise a significant milestone in our state's history this week with the introduction of the Path to Treaty legislation—legislation which I know this side of the chamber supports—and I will watch with interest the views of those opposite.

Last year Queenslanders witnessed a terrible and tragic situation where hardworking, dedicated Police Service officers were harmed and murdered in the line of duty. An innocent Queensland citizen was also murdered. While this may have occurred in 2022, we all still remember this terrible event. This week this chamber will remember and honour the Queensland Police Service officers who lost their lives doing their job to protect the community. We will also remember the innocent community member who came to the scene and lost his life during that incident. With those few words, I commend the motion to the House.