




Speech By
Hon. Yvette D'Ath

MEMBER FOR REDCLIFFE

Record of Proceedings, 24 August 2023

TRANSPORT AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Referral

 **Hon. YM D'ATH** (Redcliffe—ALP) (Leader of the House) (10.18 am), by leave, without notice: I move—

That the Transport and Resources Committee (the committee) inquire into and report to the Legislative Assembly by 24 November 2023 on scrap metal theft in Queensland and in doing so consider:

1. the types of metal at risk of being stolen and resold as scrap, taking into consideration copper, precious and other metals, and vehicle parts;
2. how the scrap metal market operates, including the supply chain and payment methods;
3. the prevalence of scrap metal theft in Queensland;
4. the direct and indirect impacts of scrap metal theft on Queenslanders, such as costs, disruption, and essential service delivery;
5. direct and indirect risks to worker and community safety, as well as other risks such as environmental harm;
6. the effectiveness of the existing Queensland laws and approach in preventing, investigating and prosecuting scrap metal theft in Queensland;
7. a recommended contemporary legislative, regulatory and enforcement framework for deterring, detecting and disrupting scrap metal theft which is informed by national and international approaches and experiences; and
8. other non-regulatory measures, such as information sharing, education and public awareness raising, and technology solutions, which may assist in reducing the prevalence and impact of scrap metal theft in Queensland.

Question put—That the motion be agreed to.

Motion agreed to.