




Speech By
Hon. Yvette D'Ath

MEMBER FOR REDCLIFFE

Record of Proceedings, 14 November 2023

MOTION

Member for South Brisbane, Finding of Contempt

 **Hon. YM D'ATH** (Redcliffe—ALP) (Leader of the House) (6.30 pm), by leave, without notice: I move—

That this House—

1. notes the Ethics Committee report No. 216, tabled in the House on the morning of 26 October 2023;
2. notes that the Ethics Committee recommended a finding of contempt be made against the member for South Brisbane for wilfully disobeying an order of the House and disrupting the orderly conduct of the business of the House;
3. notes that the Ethics Committee recommended that the member for South Brisbane should take it upon herself as soon as practicable to apologise unequivocally to the House and the Speaker, on the floor of the House, for her conduct;
4. notes that the member for South Brisbane has not apologised, on the floor of the House, for her conduct despite:
 - (a) nearly two sitting days having elapsed since the report was tabled; and
 - (b) the member for South Brisbane making contributions on other matters in the House between that period of time; and
5. finds the member in contempt as particularised by the Ethics Committee and, in accordance with the Ethics Committee recommendation, suspends the member for South Brisbane from the services of the House and the precinct until 9.30 am on 16 November 2023.