



## Speech By Dr Christian Rowan

## MEMBER FOR MOGGILL

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## BRISBANE OLYMPIC AND PARALYMPIC GAMES ARRANGEMENTS AND OTHER LEGISLATION BILL

## **Declared Urgent; Allocation of Time Limit Order**

**Dr ROWAN** (Moggill—LNP) (12.29 pm): I rise to speak to the urgency motion as moved by the Deputy Premier. In speaking to the urgency motion, I say the Liberal National Party state government has been given a clear mandate to get on with the job of delivering the required infrastructure.

Opposition members interjected.

**Dr ROWAN:** We hear those members opposite interjecting, but when it comes to infrastructure— **Honourable members** interjected.

Mr DEPUTY SPEAKER (Mr Krause): Members on all sides of the House will come to order.

**Dr ROWAN:** When it comes to the infrastructure and planning needed for the 2032 Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games it was the former Labor government that failed to plan for the infrastructure that is needed in Queensland. Queenslanders said definitively at the election on 26 October that they want a great Olympics for this state and they actually want legacy infrastructure delivered as a part of that.

Importantly, time is of the essence. We gave a clear commitment as an incoming government that we would deliver that infrastructure for all of Queensland, a clear commitment to the people of Queensland, and that we would do that as one of the first orders of business when it comes to the 100-day review that the Liberal National Party state government is implementing. The legislation gives effect to that commitment and it is important that it is debated and passed today because time is of the essence, particularly when it comes to the failure, the chaos and the crisis of the former Labor government that failed to plan for the Olympics, failed to have a plan and failed to look at the infrastructure that was going to be needed here in Queensland.

The Liberal National Party is determined to deliver a successful Olympic and Paralympic Games in Queensland. It is important to showcase our great state, and I mentioned earlier the generational infrastructure, the tourism opportunities and the economic development we can have in Queensland. Today should come as no surprise to the Labor Party because, as I said, the approach of the former state government was one of delay and mismanagement when it came to planning for the successful games. It is now time to get on with the job. I move—

That the question be now put.