



Speech By  
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**ADJOURNMENT**

**Bundamba Electorate, Bus Services**

 **Mr McCALLUM** (Bundamba—ALP) (9.17 pm): Monday this week marked the beginning of the stage 1 rollout of the Ipswich bus improvement package, which will make a big difference in our area. This bus improvement package was funded under the previous Labor government in last year's budget.

We got four new bus routes: the 501, which will go from Springfield into the Ipswich CBD, into Bell Street, through Redbank Plains, Blackstone and Silkstone; the 520, which will go from Goodna station up to Eden's Crossing in Redbank Plains through Bellbird Park; route 522, which will go from Springfield to Augustine Heights to Redbank station; and the 523, which will go from Springfield through Augustine Heights to Redbank Plains. That will go up and around Keidges Road and end up at Mountview Shopping Centre. These routes are going through massive growth areas in our local community and they will better connect our local residents through different public transport modes, seeing as most of the bus routes will connect with local train stations.

It will be great to see more locals jumping on a bus with 50-cent fares, provided and funded by the previous Labor government. This is only stage 1 of three stages. Unfortunately, the government had to be dragged kicking and screaming to roll out this first stage. It did not go out to tender until earlier this year after there was advocacy from local Labor MPs. I acknowledge the members for Jordan, Ipswich and Ipswich West. There should be 15-minute intervals in peak times. That is not happening at the moment. We will keep advocating for that. We are calling on the government to be very clear and up-front with our community about when the rollout of stage 2 will happen, because there are other suburbs that are growing rapidly—White Rock, Ripley, South Ripley. We need to get those services up and running there as soon as possible.

Finally, I hope all members will join with me in wishing year 5 Riverview State School student Darius Smith all the best when he heads to Canberra to represent Queensland in the national championships at the end of this month in shot-put—a great achievement!