



Speech By  
**Hon. Tim Mander**


**MEMBER FOR EVERTON**

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**MINISTERIAL STATEMENT**

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 **Hon. TL MANDER** (Everton—LNP) (Minister for Sport and Racing and Minister for the Olympic and Paralympic Games) (10.47 am): The Crisafulli government is determined to deliver an Olympic and Paralympic Games that our state can be proud of. After 1,200 days of Labor inaction, the 100-day review and the 2032 Delivery Plan have put us back on track to do that. They spent 1,200 days going to red carpet events, press conferences and hobnobbing with the rich and famous instead of delivering a single thing for the games. While the announcement of new venues and locations for the games infrastructure captured headlines when the 2032 Delivery Plan was announced, it also included important changes to the governance of the games.

We have heard very clearly through the 100-day review that Labor's existing governance arrangements have been tying games delivery and coordination up in red tape with overly complex, bloated governance arrangements. Today the Deputy Premier will introduce a bill to create a leaner, more efficient and effective governance structure to support games delivery only 37 days since the release of the 100-day review. This is in stark contrast to the inaction of those opposite.

Among other things, the bill will amend the Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Act. There will be a Games Leadership Group to provide overall strategic direction, coordination and risk management for the delivery of the games. Modelled on the successful Olympic board deployed for London 2012, membership will be comprised of the three levels of government, the infrastructure authority and the organising committee.

This bill will also reduce the organising committee's board from the excessive number of 24 down to 15 to streamline the board and make it fit for purpose. Twelve of those positions are prescribed and will come from representatives of the three levels of government, representatives from the Olympic and Paralympic organisations and representatives from the athletes, both able-bodied and para. There will also be three independent directors; one of them will be the chair and that will remain as Andrew Liveris. This reduction will allow for more efficient decision-making in the lead-up to the games. We are all looking forward to getting on with the delivery of a games that we can all be proud of.