



Speech By  
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## **FIGHTING ANTISEMITISM AND KEEPING GUNS OUT OF THE HANDS OF TERRORISTS AND CRIMINALS AMENDMENT BILL 2026**

Resumed from 4 March (see p. 493), on motion of Mr Purdie—

That the bill be now read a second time.

 **Miss DOOLAN** (Pumicestone—LNP) (11.44 am), continuing: One of the most significant reforms in this bill is the introduction of a new offence for acts done in preparation for or planning an attack likely to cause death or grievous bodily harm. This is proactive lawmaking. This means terrorists can be stopped before they strike. It means law enforcement has the tools to intervene early. It means we are not waiting for the next headline; we are acting now. Queensland will not be reactive; we will be preventive.

Let us also address the broader national security context. Across Western democracies we are witnessing rising extremism, online radicalisation, conspiracy-fuelled hatred and the weaponisation of identity politics. We cannot pretend Queensland is immune. The events of 14 December shattered that illusion. This government took the time to calmly and methodically develop legislation that is specific and targeted to address those shocking events. This is not a kneejerk reaction; this is responsible leadership.

There will always be those people who say this goes too far but I ask the House: how far is too far when it comes to protecting a 10-year-old child? How far is too far when it comes to preventing terrorism? The community expect us to act and they expect us to draw a line. Labor had years to strengthen these frameworks and they chose not to. We chose to act because community safety is not negotiable, because hate cannot be normalised and because prevention is stronger than regret.

To the Jewish community here in Queensland and across Australia I say: we see what you have endured, we recognise your fear and we will not allow you to stand alone. Queensland stands with you.

This bill is about restoring confidence. It is about protecting communities. It is about ensuring that what happened on 14 December can never happen again. In Queensland we do not tolerate hate, we do not ignore the warning signs and we do not wait for a tragedy to strike. This is a government that is serious about community safety, serious about national security and serious about standing up for every Queenslanders. I commend the bill to the House.