

**GOVERNMENT RESPONSE TO FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT No. 37  
TRADING (ALLOWABLE HOURS) AMENDMENT BILL 2017**

In respect of Report No. 37, 55th Parliament by the Finance and Administration Committee in relation to the Trading (Allowable Hours) Amendment Bill 2017, the Queensland Government makes the following response –

**Recommendation 1**

That the Trading (Allowable Hours) Amendment Bill 2017 be amended to include the Cairns CBD in the defined tourist area

**Queensland Government Response:** Accepted. The trading hours in the Cairns CBD currently allow for late night trading on Saturday and Sunday. It is appropriate that the Cairns CBD be included as part of the defined tourist area for the purposes of the core trading hours for non-exempt shops, other than a hardware shop, as prescribed in the Bill.

**Recommendation 2**


The committee recommends that the Bill be amended, as per the Queensland Treasury's advice, to refer to an appropriate address for the Westfield Chermside and Westfield Garden City shopping centres.

**Queensland Government Response:** Accepted. Defining the shopping complexes based on their commonly understood street addresses will remove any doubt that the whole of the shopping complex is covered in the event of any expansion at the centre.

**Recommendation 3**

The committee recommends that the Bill be amended to exclude the application of the changes to motor vehicle or caravan retailers.

**Queensland Government Response:** Accepted. The Committee advised that it heard no support from the motor vehicle dealer and caravan retail Industries during its inquiry for the extension of their core trading hours, preferring that the current trading hours' arrangements for that industry be retained.

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