New Parliamentary Wednesday sitting time commences tomorrow

A change to the Parliament’s sitting time on a Wednesday comes into effect tomorrow with seven committee meetings to be held in the morning and Parliament then commencing at 2pm.

The Parliament’s seven new portfolio-based committees will hold meetings in the Parliamentary complex tomorrow morning.

Two of these will be public hearings and another will be a public departmental briefing. Details of these three public meetings are below.

- The Environment, Agriculture, Resources and Energy Committee will hold a public departmental briefing on the Water and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2011 in the Legislative Council Chamber starting at 9am.

- The Finance and Administration Committee will hold a public hearing with the Integrity Commissioner in the Dandiir Room starting at 10.15am.

- The Legal Affairs, Police, Corrective Services and Emergency Services Committee will hold a public hearing as part of that committee’s inquiry into the Property Agents Bill 2010, the Motor Dealers and Chattel Auctioneers Bill 2010, the Commercial Agents Bill 2010 and the Agents Financial Administration Bill 2010. This hearing will be held in the Legislative Assembly Chamber starting at 10.30am.

On Friday 5 August 2011, the Community Affairs Committee will hold a public briefing as part of that committee’s inquiry into the Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Amendment Bill. This hearing will be held in the Dandier Room starting at 10.30am.

Access to the Parliament for members of the public wishing to attend a committee public hearing is through the reception on the ground level of the Parliamentary Annex building in Alice Street, Brisbane.

The Parliament’s new Wednesday sitting time forms part of recently approved changes to the parliamentary committee system.

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