Disability. Wendy Lovelace is a resident at Youngcare and has come to see me many times. She is a very outspoken advocate for disability services and is often featured in the media. I also have people who come to see me quietly as their local member, such as Sally and Jo. I will not mention their last names. I thank them for coming to see me. It is very timely that the member for Southern Downs referred to the Taxi Subsidy Scheme because it was that scheme that they came to see me about.

The Taxi Subsidy Scheme was due to finish because it was meant to fold in with the NDIS. There was meant to be an overarching program that covered the needs of everybody with a disability and we were meant to see that covered off. Unfortunately that simply has not been the case. Many members of parliament had constituents come to see them. The Minister for Main Roads did listen to our representations. I thank my constituents, particularly Sally and Jo, who did come to see me about this issue. Sally in particular explained that right now she is working three days a week and uses a taxi to get to and from work. Once the NDIS kicked in in its current form it would not be possible for her to continue to access all of the subsidies she currently does. She said how can she be put in a situation where she is no longer able to work the hours she currently works. She is going to have to cut back. Here is a person who has a disability who has a job she loves and was looking to have to cut-back because she could not afford transport to and from work because her work was out of public transport routes:

It is great to see that under the Palaszczuk government this subsidy will continue to be applied. A further $6 million has been committed in the 2019-20 budget to continue that subsidy payment for people like Sally and Jo. It will continue to provide affordable transport for people with disability who have been medically assessed as unable to use other forms of subsidised public passenger transport. I am incredibly excited to see that the Palaszczuk government has taken this up.

Debate, on motion of Ms Pugh, adjourned.

Sitting suspended from 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm.

APPROPRIATION (PARLIAMENT) BILL

Message from Governor

Hon. JA TRAD (South Brisbane—ALP) (Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships) (2.01 pm): I present a bill for an act authorising the Treasurer to pay amounts from the Consolidated Fund for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service for the financial years starting 1 July 2019 and 1 July 2020.


Tabled paper: Appropriation (Parliament) Bill 2019, explanatory notes.
I introduce the appropriation bill for the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service, which provides appropriation for the 2019-20 financial year. The bill combines the appropriation for the 2019-20 budget and interim supply for 2020-21 to allow normal operations of the Legislative Assembly and Parliamentary Service to continue until the 2020-21 appropriation bill receives assent.

The government remains committed to the independence of the Legislative Assembly, and this extends to the means by which public moneys are appropriated to ensure its continued functioning. We are therefore adhering to the current convention that the Legislative Assembly's appropriation be contained in a bill separate from the Appropriation Bill for the other activities of government.

The Appropriation (Parliament) Bill will provide the necessary funds to ensure the continued operations of the Legislative Assembly and the Parliamentary Service. These include advisory and information services to assist the parliament, its committees and members to fulfil their constitutional and parliamentary responsibilities, the services provided by the Parliamentary Library, Committee Office, Parliamentary Reporting Service, Chamber and Procedural Services, and Security and Attendant Services as well as the provision of accommodation, hospitality and members' entitlements.

**First Reading**

**Hon. JA TRAD** (South Brisbane—ALP) (Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships) (2.03 pm): I move—

That the bill be now read a first time.

Question put—That the bill be now read a first time.

Motion agreed to.

Bill read a first time.

**Mr SPEAKER:** In accordance with standing order 177, the bill is now set down for its second reading.

**BUDGET PAPERS**

**Hon. JA TRAD** (South Brisbane—ALP) (Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships) (2.03 pm): I table the budget papers for 2019-20.

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Appropriation Bills

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Budget Speech—Budget Paper No.1

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Budget Strategy and Outlook—Budget Paper No.2


Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Budget Measures—Budget Paper No.4

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Budget Highlights—Backing Queensland Jobs

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Backing jobs for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Backing jobs for small business

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Backing jobs for women

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Disaster recovery


Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Regional Action Plan—Backing jobs for the Gold Coast

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Regional Action Plan—Backing jobs for Ipswich


Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Regional Action Plan—Backing jobs for Outback Queensland

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Regional Action Plan—Backing jobs for Sunshine Coast and Moreton Bay


Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Regional Action Plan—Backing jobs for Wide Bay

Tabled paper: Queensland Budget 2019-20: Service Delivery Statements—Department of the Premier and Cabinet, Office of the Governor, Public Service Commission, Queensland Audit Office