

Please quote: MN94014/RW23/State Affairs

Mr Neil Laurie
Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
George Street
BRISBANE Q 4000

Dear Neil

I refer to your letter of 2 December 2005 to the Premier regarding petition (Number 598-05) tabled in the House requesting the introduction of daylight saving in Queensland. Please find attached a copy of my response to Mr John Hewlett.

I would be grateful if you could arrange for my response to be tabled in Parliament on my behalf. As requested, an electronic copy of the letter will be forwarded to the Table Office.

Yours sincerely

ANNA BLIGH MP
ACTING PREMIER AND TREASURER

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Mr J Hewlett
5 Barrique Court
THORNLANDS Q 4164

Dear John

Thank you for your petition requesting the introduction of daylight saving in Queensland to coincide with the daylight saving policy of New South Wales.

A majority of Queenslanders rejected the introduction of daylight saving in a 1992 referendum. The State Government has no intention currently to hold another referendum or introduce any official changes related to daylight saving. However, daylight saving remains an issue which generates many strongly held opinions that will continue to be monitored.

I am unaware of any current workable model for state-wide daylight saving that would be supported by a majority of Queenslanders. In particular, I note the views held by many Queenslanders in rural and regional areas who consider that the reintroduction of daylight savings would not be of benefit to them.

Yours sincerely

ANNA BLIGH MP
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