

# **CROWN LAND (PARLIAMENTARY PRECINCT REDEVELOPMENT) AMENDMENT BILL 2009**

## **SECOND READING SPEECH**

Mr Speaker,

The *parliament square* site comprises eight buildings and part of the Parliamentary Annex. The site is bordered by Murray Street, Davey Street, Salamanca Place and Parliament House. The third and final stage of the *parliament square* Project tender process closed on 6 April 2009. The Citta Property Group Pty Ltd was announced as the Preferred Developer on 28 August 2009.

Mr Speaker, to ensure an unambiguous sale process and provide for the creation of clear title for the site, the Government previously introduced the *Crown Lands (Parliamentary Precinct Redevelopment) Act 2009*, which received Royal Assent on 21 July 2009.

Mr Speaker, during debate in the Legislative Council and prior to the passing of the Act, the Treasurer undertook to ensure that particular amendments were made to the Bill. I now introduce these amendments Mr Speaker, being that:

- Section 10 has been amended to extend the number of days (from six to nine days), for a Notice to be tabled should a proposal be introduced into Parliament to sell the laneway; and
- Section 13 has been revised by the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel to allow a clearer understanding of the intention of the Clause.

Mr Speaker, I am confident that these amendments appropriately deliver on the Treasurers undertakings to honourable members.

I commend the Bill to the House.