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BETTING TAX AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL

 **Mr BOOTHMAN** (Theodore—LNP) (8.29 pm): I rise to contribute to the cognate debate on the appropriation bills and the Betting Tax and Other Legislation Amendment Bill. I will start with the Betting Tax and Other Legislation Amendment Bill. As a member of the committee, I thank my fellow members of the committee for the work we have done on the bill. I also give a shout-out to all of the individuals who participated in and made submissions to the inquiry: Mr Ken O'Dowd, BetGold Racing & Sports, Redcliffe Peninsula Harness Racing and Sporting Club, Gold Coast Turf Club, Racing Queensland Board, Harness Racing Australia, Australian Trainers' Association, Tabcorp and the Queensland Hotels Association. It is very important to ensure that the racing industry in Queensland flourishes. It is critically important for regional areas. It is the lifeblood for regional areas as it brings tourists to those towns.