



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### RETRACTION/NEW RELEASE - DAYLIGHT SAVING APRIL FOOL'S DAY

The Daylight Saving for South East Queensland Party (DS4SEQ) would like to retract the media release sent earlier today, as that was an April Fool's Day joke. However, the fact that South East Queensland does not have daylight saving is no joke.

"If the decision for the Government to implement daylight saving into South East Queensland was true, it would support the Government's own research in 2007, that indicated 55% of Queensland constituents are in favour of daylight saving and 69% of residents in South East Queensland would like to have daylight saving implemented", DS4SEQ Party Leader, Jason Furze said.

Mr Furze said the Premier acknowledged that she had a mandate to protect Queensland's economy and Queensland jobs. Daylight saving would play a major part, by saving the South East Queensland economy \$14 billion, due to continued alignment with the other eastern states, throughout the full 12 months of each year.

The Daylight Saving for South East Queensland Party has high hopes that the newly elected Government will change its position in relation to the daylight saving issue, given that a dual time zone would satisfy the majority of people, not just the minority, as is currently the case.

"Ms Bligh has stated that she wants to be the Premier for the whole of the state. Implementing a dual time zone would show that consideration has been given, not only to regional Queensland, but also to the South East Queensland region - thus all of the state," Mr Furze said.

"The issue of daylight saving has been placed in the 'Too Hard Basket' for too long, and it's about time that true leadership was displayed in relation to this issue, and a dual time zone implemented", Mr Furze said.

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