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Dametto continues fight for Hinchinbrook

HINCHINBROOK MP Nick Dametto says nothing will stop him from fighting for the North's fair share as he continues to stand up for his constituents in parliament.

The Katter's Australian Party (KAP) MP said it had been "business as usual" this month as he attends four regional hearings for the Inquiry into wage theft in Queensland this week as part of the Education, Employment and Small Business Committee.

That followed his attendance in parliament last week where he gave his assessment of the recent Estimates hearings on Education and Industrial Relations.

At Estimates, Mr Dametto was able to ask several questions related to both school staffing and Registered Training Organisations in Hinchinbrook.

"As the local Member, I know it's important to be spending as much time in our electorate as possible so that when I attend parliamentary business like this I can best represent Hinchinbrook as a whole," he said.

"I am always humbled by the support I receive from constituents and at the same time, happily welcome constructive feedback.

"I'm proud to be their representative in Brisbane."

Mr Dametto said he and KAP colleagues Robbie Katter and Shane Knuth did not have time to play party games with the LNP over parliamentary voting divisions in Brisbane when they were dealing with the real issues that mattered to voters.

"While the LNP sit on their hands and whinge, the KAP is out there getting on with the job of standing up for regional Queensland," Mr Dametto said.

"Let's face it. They are a do-nothing opposition who between them have not put together one Private Member's Bill this term.

"The KAP have three before parliament, including the vitally important Safer Water Waterways Bill which will minimise injuries and deaths cause by crocodiles that have exploded in numbers across North Queensland."

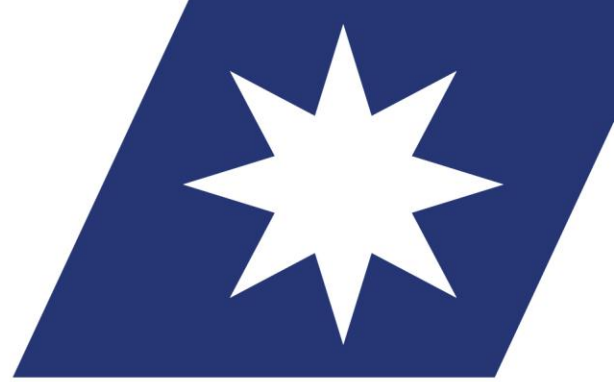
Mr Dametto attended three Safer Water Waterways Bill regional hearings in Cairns, Townsville and Mackay this week, overseen by the Innovation, Tourism Development and Environment Committee.

Mr Dametto was also given permission to sit with the committee at the Townsville and Mackay hearings, where he was able to ask questions of those witnesses who attended.

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“Crocodile management is a big issue across North Queensland and I was grateful to bring a local, common sense perspective to these hearings,” he said.

“It is critical this Bill is passed before we have yet another death in our waterways.”

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