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Second Reading

The Hon. JOHN DELLA BOSCA (Minister for Education and Training, Minister for Industrial Relations, Minister for the Central Coast, and Minister Assisting the Minister for Finance) [11.40 a.m.]: I move:

That this bill be now read a second time.

In late 2006 the Board of Adult and Community Education agreed that the board should be disbanded and replaced by an advisory committee. The term of the Board of Adult and Community Education was extended to allow a period of discussion and consultation with the adult education sector. On 23 June 2007 the Board of Adult and Community Education agreed unanimously to the disbanding of the board. On 14 July 2007 the Minister agreed, and this was minuted at the final meeting of the Board of Adult and Community Education on 23 July 2007. There is broad sector and community support for an advisory committee with wide representation from the sector and from government departments involved in adult and community education. The advisory committee is to meet for the first time later in April. The repeal of this board is necessary, timely and appropriate. I commend the bill to the House.